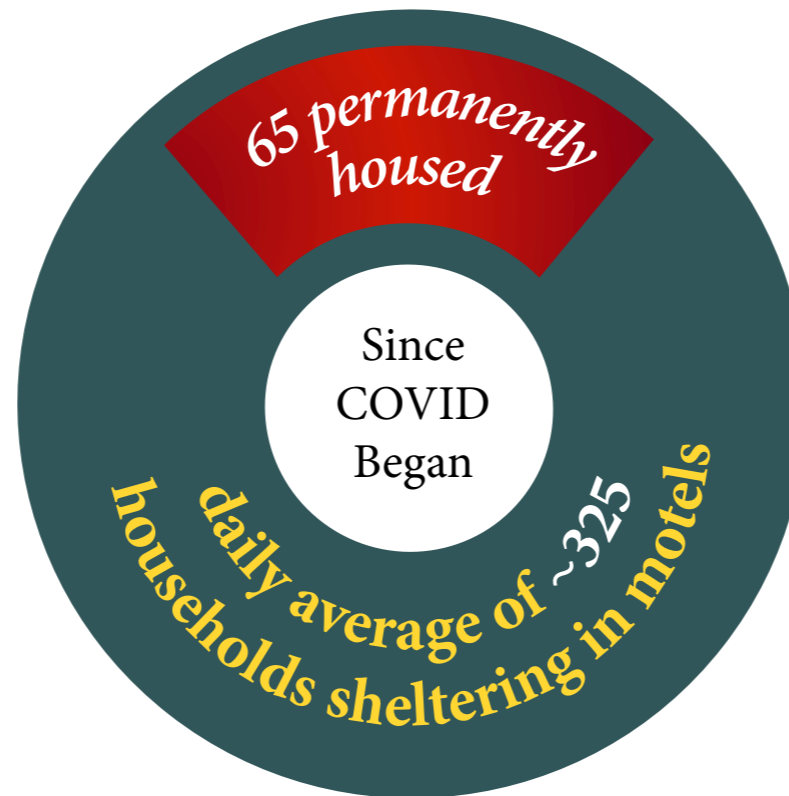
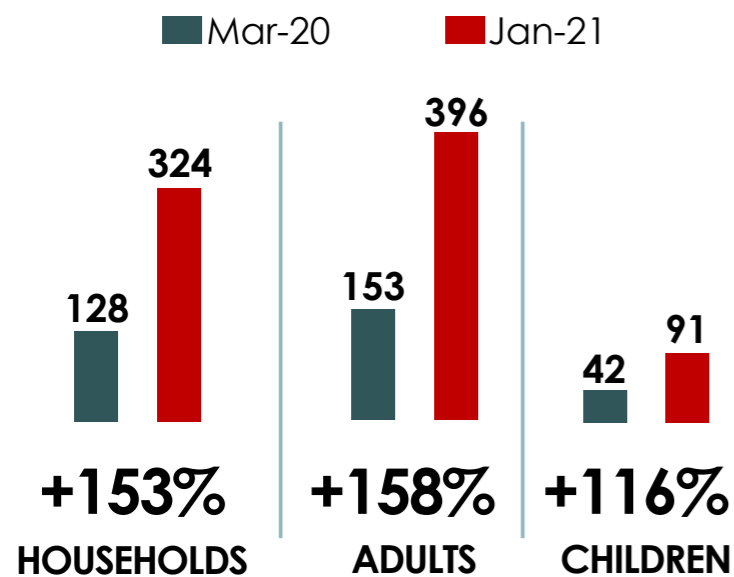


Washington County COVID Response For Our Unhoused Neighbors, So Far...

UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS (coordinated entry list) 2020 vs. 2021



- 2 tiny houses
 - 2 respite/crisis beds
 - 2 unhoused youth units
 - 3 new mobile homes
 - 14 single room occupancy (SRO) units
 - 13 revitalized homes (VT Rental Rehab)
 - 26 rental apartments occupied
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- 67** units of housing added or newly designated by our partnership



WASHINGTON COUNTY HOMELESS TASK FORCE

Another Way • AHS Field Services • Capstone Community Action • Downstreet Housing & Community Development
Family Center of Washington County • Good Samaritan Haven • Washington County Mental Health Services

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

Incident Command Center (WNOC-RRCC): Washington county partners formed a command center crisis response. This model brought together more than 25 partners, hundreds of volunteers, established a hotline and prioritized needs. Impact included:

- 900 hrs of volunteer delivered meals
- Hotline staffing & response
- 1,889 miles driven in support tasks
- 314 homeless adults & families temporarily sheltered in motels & scatter sites
- 81,000 Volunteer distributed meals over six months

Task Force meets weekly since mid-March **establishing a strong Central Vermont collaboration** working to address the unhoused and root causes.

Task Force elevated hotel safety issue to State and Legislature garnering support for increased security with use of private security firms, coordination with local police, staffing from Good Samaritan Haven, and supportive case management by WCMHS, Capstone and the FCWC.

Fulfilling an unhoused priority, by year-end 2020 Downstreet leased all 26 vacant units. Typically, a 5% vacancy rate is industry standard. Currently, 92 of 420 units are leased to formerly unhoused, 22% of all Downstreet rental units.

The Family Center of Washington County tripled Family Supportive Housing (FSH) Case Management to serving 45 families – 56 adults & 70 children.

Washington County CARES Housing Voucher Program

- 21 HH enrolled in the program on behalf of 66 people
 - 16 HH with children
 - 7 Adult HH
- 3 HH exited to permanent housing

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – Rapid Rehousing (YHDP) serves pregnant and parenting youth and young adults aged 16-25. Currently serving 4 families, this program will likely increase by at least one family as additional RRH vouchers become available.

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – **Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing** (TH-RRH) is a new program in 2020 that focuses on pregnant and parenting youth and young adults. The TH-RRH program receives referrals via a targeted Coordinated Entry list.

Coordinated technology support including cell phones, iPads, etc. to ensure neighbors are connected to health care and each other.

On-going medical support team working with homeless in hotels and on the streets. Focus on COVID compliance, testing as needed, and support for chronic health management.

WCMHS has added 20 new housing units in 2020-21. They have entered into 4 Master Leases with landlords, involving 4 residences and providing 14 units of housing for individuals who have experienced periods of chronic homelessness and psychiatric hospitalizations. WCMHS will open two additional emergency/transitional beds for people who need emergency housing by February 1st. The organization has also completed its Tiny House project with Downstreet Community and Housing Development, which owns the housing while WCMHS provides on site peer services. This project houses 4 people in total.