

August 2022

	Point 0 Community		Point 1 Law Enforcement			Point 2 Pre-adjudication		Point 3 Adjudication		Point 4 Re-entry
Service	Supports for at-risk youth	Dispute resolution	SBIRT underage possession	Restorative panel	Case Mgt. & Restorative Services Risk and Needs Screening	Court Diversion	Pretrial Services	Restorative panel & Ongoing Case Management	Restorative panel	COSA & furlough violation response
Statute governing service			7 V.S.A. § 656 18 V.S.A. § 4230b		33 V.S.A. § 5225 (b)(2) -pre-charge 33 V.S.A. § 5225 (b)(1) - risk and needs assessment	3 V.S.A. § 164 & 3 V.S.A. § 163	13 V.S.A. § 7554c	33 V.S.A. § 5232(a)(7)	13 V.S.A. § 7030 28 V.S.A. § 910	
Referral source	DCF, schools, community members, et al.	Community members & schools	Law enforcement	Law enforcement direct referral (SA policy for pre-charge)	Law enforcement Direct referral (SA policy for pre-charge)	Prosecutor post-charge referral	Judge issues PTS order	Judge or DCF Social worker	Judge or DOC Probation Officer	DOC Probation Officer
Target Population	Youth	Youth & adults	Youth	Youth & adults	Youth	Youth & adults	Youth 18+ & adults	Youth	Adults	Adults
Funder	DCF	DOC	AGO	DOC	DCF	AGO	AGO	DCF	DOC	DOC
Service area	All services are provided statewide.									

AGO Funded Services – Court Diversion and Pretrial Services

Court Diversion Program [3 V.S.A §§ 163 and 164\(b\)\(1\)](#)

This restorative justice program is for youth with a delinquency petition and adults charged with a crime. Prosecutors may refer before or after preliminary hearing/arraignment.

Court Diversion case managers work with those referred who are willing to take responsibility for their actions and engage in a restorative process aimed at repairing the harm. Service needs related to the delinquency petition/charge are addressed in a restorative agreement. Completion of the Diversion Program results in dismissal of the delinquency/ criminal charge. Automatic expungement follows two years after dismissal.

Tamarack Program [3 V.S.A § 164\(b\)\(2\)](#)

This restorative justice program is for adults and youth aged 18 and older charged with a crime or delinquency who have a substance use or mental health treatment need regardless of their criminal history. Prosecutors may refer before or after arraignment.

Staff quickly connect program participants to substance use, mental health, and other supportive community-based services. Participants must be willing to take responsibility for their actions and engage in a restorative process aimed at repairing the harm. Service needs related to the charge are addressed in a restorative agreement. Completion of the Diversion Program results in a dismissal of the delinquency/ criminal charge. Automatic expungement follows two years after dismissal.

Pretrial Services [13 V.S.A. § 7554c](#)

This service is for adults and youth aged 18 and older with substance use or mental health treatment needs who are going through the court process and awaiting final case resolution. The Court may order a defendant to meet with a Coordinator, participate in a needs screening or clinical assessment and follow the recommendations of the treatment provider. Individuals may also choose to engage with pretrial services. A person's refusal to engage cannot result in a violation of conditions of release.

Pretrial Service Coordinators screen people for treatment needs, help people make and keep appointments for clinical assessments and treatment, connect defendants to recovery supports and other services. They only report to the Court, prosecutor, and defense attorney whether clinical assessment or treatment is indicated, a person completed an assessment, and if further engagement with PTS is recommended.

Youth Substance Awareness Safety Program [7 V.S.A. § 656; 18 V.S.A. § 4230b](#)

The Youth Substance Awareness Safety Program (YSASP) provides an alternative to the civil court process for youth who violate Vermont's underage alcohol, cannabis, or buprenorphine laws. YSASP helps young people to understand the impact on themselves and others of using substances and to lower their risk of future use, while connecting those identified as using at high-risk levels to professional substance use clinicians. Vermont statutes direct law enforcement to refer youth to YSASP.

DLS Diversion program [Act 147 \(2011 Adj. Sess.\)](#)

The goal of the DLS (Driving with License Suspended) Diversion program is to restore people's privilege to drive by helping people to determine requirements for driver relicensing and by providing alternative affordable means to satisfy those requirements whenever possible. People participate following a Court Diversion referral by a prosecutor or referred by another community provider, family member, or friend.

AGO Community Justice Programs

Grant Awards

County	FY 2022	FY 2021
Addison	\$ 199,741	\$ 187,400
Benningto	\$ 208,055	\$ 200,100
Caledonia & Essex	\$ 179,810	\$ 171,400
Chittenden	\$ 475,896	\$ 394,600
Franklin & Grand Isle	\$ 205,070	\$ 192,400
Lamoille	\$ 208,374	\$ 226,500
Orange	\$ 153,909	\$ 149,700
Orleans	\$ 177,784	\$ 166,800
Rutland	\$ 200,167	\$ 197,200
Washington	\$ 226,174	\$ 212,200
Windham	\$ 189,829	\$ 193,700
Windsor	\$ 240,030	\$ 273,300
TOTAL	\$ 2,664,839	\$ 2,565,300

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	FY 2022							FY 2021					
	Diversion Family Div Referrals	Diversion Criminal Div Referrals	Tamarack Criminal Div Referrals	Pretrial Services Orders	YSASP Referrals	DLS Individuals Assisted		Diversion Family Div Referrals	Diversion Criminal Div Referrals	Tamarack Criminal Div Referrals	Pretrial Services Orders	YSASP Referrals	DLS Individuals Assisted
Addison	15	63	12	87	26	136		9	69	15	62	31	151
Bennington	19	107	31	26	98	112		39	225	49	19	93	129
Caledonia	7	51	11	50	67	57		13	68	9	11	67	66
Chittenden	38	59	53	180	184	0		28	39	43	197	216	0
Essex	0	5	0	3	2	6		4	2	0	4	0	7
Franklin	27	93	20	54	93	93		25	141	8	34	90	105
Grand Isle	3	8	0	6	2	1		4	15	0	4	24	0
Lamoille	26	102	21	96	32	10		9	94	20	156	66	37
Orange	22	70	3	29	17	11		20	83	11	10	16	9
Orleans	5	74	13	68	39	79		19	70	11	46	30	54
Rutland	10	75	11	10	71	92		4	98	20	6	49	170
Washington	55	213	37	91	63	44		65	227	47	96	94	64
Windham	4	44	7	104	53	28		10	40	16	86	110	47
Windsor	39	161	59	0	51	89		42	386	136	1	81	36
Total	270	1,125	278	804	798	758		291	1,557	385	732	967	875