

### January 31st Pandemic-Era Hotel/Motel Housing Reporting

In accordance with Act 81 (2023)



### The Big Picture (as of 1/22/2024)



1,289

Number of households in the 6/30 cohort on July 1st 634

Number of

households in the

6/30 cohort on

January 22nd.

657

Number of households transitioned out of 6/30 cohort since July 1st



\$131

Average nightly rate this week



## **Households By District**

This is the current district data on all households in the GA Housing program as of 1/22/2024.

District Office	Total Eligible Households	Cohort Households	Non-Cohort Households	Adverse Weather Conditions
Barre	183	79	21	83
Bennington	196	76	12	108
Brattleboro	222	79	27	116
Burlington	304	107	41	156
Hartford	82	38	8	36
Middlebury	21	6	5	10
Morrisville	28	12	3	13
Newport	26	7	4	15
Rutland	404	179	28	197
Springfield	59	25	9	25
St Albans	69	16	13	40
St Johnsbury	67	10	7	50
Total	1661	634	178	849



## **Eligibility Category of Households**

This is the current eligibility data on all households in the GA Housing program as of 1/22/2024.

Eligibility Category	6/30 Cohort Households
Age 60+	47
Disabled (SSI/SSDI)	354
Domestic Violence	25
Families with Children	141
Health Code Violations/Eviction	56
Natural Disaster (Fire, Flood, Hurricane)	<6
Pregnant	8
Total	634

**Notes:** The <u>range of individuals</u> <u>in SSI/SSDI</u> crosses a range of acuity and health challenge— it can be mental health, chronic health condition, or a physical disability. However, everyone must have had a determination by the federal Social Security Administration.



# Households in 6/30 Cohort By Size

This is the current district data on all households in the GA Housing program as of 1/22/2024.

District Office	1 person in household	2 people in household	3+ people in household	Total # of Adults	Total # of Children
Barre	41	20	18	107	39
Bennington	46	11	19	96	49
Brattleboro	65	7	7	86	19
Burlington	61	21	25	137	62
Hartford	30	<6	<6	41	12
Middlebury	<6	0	<6	6	<6
Morrisville	10	0	<6	13	<6
Newport	6	<6	0	8	0
Rutland	102	34	43	232	91
Springfield	11	11	<6	36	9
St. Albans	12	<6	<6	20	<6
St. Johnsbury	<6	<6	<6	13	11
Total:	393	113	128	795	299



### 6/30 Cohort Exit Reasons (as of 1/22/2024)

Exit Reason	# of Households
Found Housing	239
Admitted to hospital/Treatment Facility	14
Apartment	177
Housing other than Apartment	45
Housed by another agency	3
No Renewal	299
Joined Another Household	5
Left the Cohort	114
Client Died	14
Exited by motel for misconduct	48
Incarcerated	4
Moved Out of State	13
Refused Shelter Bed	14
Not willing to pay for self-pay nights	3
Not engaged with case management/coordinated entry	18
TOTAL	657
# of Households that exited cohort and are currently back in hotels	86



### **Screening and Care Management**

The Agency of Human Services (AHS) cross-departmental teams began working with households in the hotels/motels in October 2022.

Many of the households originally screened or with shared care plans are no longer in the hotel/motel system.

In order to supplement AHS staff and ensure timely screening and care planning, AHS contracted with Rescue Inc. They started screening clients on July 19, 2023.

A contract with TemPositions went into effect in August 2023 to fully staff care management statewide – replacing TLC and Rescue Inc. Due to TemPositions having difficulty meeting the staffing capacity needed, we added IEM as a contractor to fill the remaining case management staff positions in December 2023.

The staff providing screenings, case conferencing, and shared care planning aim to connect people in the program to needed services. Many households have been connected to resources and services in their local communities. We are also working with local partners to help connect and support the Coordinated Entry process for households in the June cohort. At this point, we are approaching every household in the cohort with a complete Coordinated Entry Assessment and working with housing case managers and their other care team providers.



### Households Screened (as of 1/24/2024)

District	Total Households	Total Households Screened	Total Active Households	Total Active Households Screened
Barre District Office	162	129	79	73
Bennington District Office	139	87	76	63
Brattleboro District Office	136	122	79	77
Burlington District Office	264	173	107	89
Hartford District Office	72	27	38	16
Middlebury District Office	9	<6	6	<6
Morrisville District Office	22	16	12	11
Newport District Office	17	10	7	7
Rutland District Office	324	228	179	152
Springfield District Office	52	41	25	22
St Albans District Office	59	39	16	15
St Johnsbury District Office	35	27	10	10
Total	1291	904	634	538

**Total households:** All that started in the 6/30 cohort.

**Total active households:** All from the 6/30 cohort that are still in the program.



### Adults with Shared Care Plans (as of 1/24/2024)

District	Total Adults	Total Adults with SCP's	Total Active Adults	Total Active Adults with SCP's
Barre District Office	216	159	107	97
Bennington District Office	171	99	96	69
Brattleboro District Office	152	132	86	85
Burlington District Office	325	190	137	114
Hartford District Office	84	16	41	10
Middlebury District Office	10	6	6	<6
Morrisville District Office	24	16	13	11
Newport District Office	18	12	8	8
Rutland District Office	402	185	232	143
Springfield District Office	70	61	36	34
St Albans District Office	68	41	20	19
St Johnsbury District Office	45	27	13	13
Total	1585	944	795	606

**Total:** All that started in the 6/30 cohort.

**Total active:** All from the 6/30 cohort that are still in the program.



The following is a summary of community investments, both from the letters of interest, and from previous or subsequent community engagement.



### Housing Opportunity Grant Program (HOP) Status Update

### New base funding for HOP grants was prioritized for:

- Emergency Shelter expansion
  - Includes continuing Elmwood & Steps shelter projects launched with 1x funds
- Expanding staffing at shelters to address safety concerns
- Addressing inflationary cost increases to preserve projects
- Preserving projects where loss of funding would have reduced capacity



### HOP Grant Status Update, cont.

### **One-time HOP funding was prioritized for:**

- Flexible Client Financial Assistance to help homeless or at-risk households stabilize in housing (e.g., security deposits, rental arrears, transportation, fees, etc.)
  - Approximately \$4.5m total with \$3.1m from one-time funding (budget projections are ongoing with fund administrators)
- Day shelter expansion to address unsheltered homelessness, including food
- Staffing to expand housing navigation services
- Expanding rapid re-housing

### The Annual <u>HOP Award Summary</u> is available online:

https://dcf.vermont.gov/oeo/resources/awards (Updated November 14, 2023)



### **New Projects in Communities**

#### **Expanded Emergency Shelter Capacity**

New/Expanded:

- 2 seasonal shelters --> year-round (Burlington and Morrisville Districts), 31 households (9 new households)
- New & Expanded projects: 12 households (Rutland, Barre and Springfield Districts)
- New Since August: 15 household Seasonal Shelter (Barre District); 4 household Young Adult Shelter (Brattleboro District); 24 household Shelter (St. Johnsbury District); 30 household Seasonal Shelter (Burlington District)
  Under Consideration/In Development: 3 potential projects could add about 100 household capacity statewide (Brattleboro, Rutland and Hartford) between State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 2026

#### **Day Shelter Capacity**

New/Expanded: 4 projects (Burlington, Barre, Rutland & Morrisville Districts)

#### **Street Outreach Expansion**

DMH: 6 projects, many multi-agency (Burlington, Bennington, Barre, Brattleboro & St. Albans)





Funding Bucket	Total	Obligated*	Unobligated Balance	Unobligated Project Proposals (estimates)**	Remaining Balance
HOP One-time Funds	5,000,000	4,948,874	51,126	51,126	0
HOP Base Shelter					
Expansion	3,750,000	3,750,000	0	0	0
HOP Base Increase	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	0
Pandemic-Era Hotel					
Program Transition	10,000,000				
One-Time funding		6,245,089	3,754,911	3,754,911	0
HOP One-time Funds HOP Base Shelter Expansion HOP Base Increase Pandemic-Era Hotel Program Transition	5,000,000 3,750,000 2,000,000	4,948,874 3,750,000 2,000,000	Balance      51,126      0      0	( <u>estimates</u> )** 51,126 0	

\*Award Notice Issued

\*\*Potential Awards (includes projects in development in previous slides, but prior to award notification - may increase/decrease)



Eligibility and contact information, and links to documents and resources, including a summary of the Letters of Interest can be found at the DCF website.

### Resources

https://dcf.vermont.gov/Addressing-and-Preventing-Unsheltered-Homelessness



### **Emergency Shelter Capacity**

<b>O</b> a sustai	Total Household
County	Capacity
Addison	62
Bennington	30
Caledonia	11
Chittenden	178
Franklin	23
Lamoille	19
Orleans	4
Rutland	119
Washington	92
Windham	46
Windsor	35
Grand Total	519

**Note:** Vermont is a shelter first state. That means these beds are all filled before someone is offered General Assistance Emergency Housing.



## **Overall SFY2024 and Act 81 Budget Status**

Year to Date Spend as of 1/29/2024: \$26,568,308

Year to Date Hotel Authorizations 1/29/2024: \$37,316,713

Authorization	Budget
Act 78	\$18,884,610
Act 81	\$25,395,141
Base	\$7,500,000
Total	\$51,779,751



### **Residential Capacity**

- As of January 26, **154** Residential Mental Health Treatment beds with **2** currently available.
- As of January 26, **63** Intensive Residential Treatment beds with **11** currently available.
- As of January 26, **96** Recovery Housing beds with **13** currently available.
- As of January 29, **245** Department of Corrections (DOC) Transitional Housing beds with **3** currently available.
- As of January 25, 2, 873 Skilled Nursing Facility beds with 171 currently available.
- Disabilities Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) is working with the DCF Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) to hold a webinar providing information to community partners on eligibility criteria for Choices for Care (CFC) and the process for accessing the different CFC options.

