SASH Support and services at home

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SASH for All Pilot Program

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Statewide Presence

HOME HEALTH AGENCIES

Addison County Home Health & Hospice Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice Franklin County Home Health Agency Lamoille Home Health & Hospice Northern Counties Health Care Orleans, Essex Visiting Nurse Assoc. & Hospice VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region Visiting Nurse & Hospice for Vermont & NH UVM Health Network Home Health & Hospice (formerly VNA of Chittenden & Grand Isle Counties)

AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

Age Well Central Vermont Council on Aging Northeastern Vermont Area Agency on Aging Senior Solutions-Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging

HOUSING

Addison County Community Trust Barre Housing Authority **Bennington Housing Authority Brattleboro Housing Partnerships Burlington Housing Authority** Cathedral Square **Champlain Housing Trust Downstreet Housing & Community Development** Housing Trust of Rutland County Lamoille Housing Partnership Montpelier Housing Authority National Church Residences Randolph Area Community Development Corporation RuralEdge **Rutland Housing Authority** Shires Housing Springfield Housing Authority Twin Pines Housing Valley Cares Vermont State Housing Authority Windham & Windsor Housing Trust Winooski Housing Authority

HOSPITALS

Brattleboro Memorial Hospital Central Vermont Medical Center Copley Hospital Gifford Health Care Mt. Ascutney Hospital & Health Center North County Hospital Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital Northwestern Medical Center Porter Medical Center Rutland Regional Medical Center Southwestern Vermont Medical Center Springfield Hospital University of Vermont Medical Center

DEVELOPMENTAL, MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTION SERVICES

Clara Martin Center Counseling Service of Addison County Health Care & Rehabilitation Services Howard Center Lamoille County Mental Health Northeast Kingdom Human Services Northwestern Counseling & Support Services Rutland Mental Health Services United Counseling Service Washington County Mental Health Services

OTHER HEALTH PROGRAMS

Castleton Undergraduate School of Nursing Graduate Counseling Program, Northern Vermont University United Health Alliance University of Vermont Center on Aging Vermont Chronic Care Initiative Vermont Health Foundation

SASH for All Mission

SASH for All partners with participants and families to coordinate and deliver individualized support where they live to increase resilience, strengthen wellbeing, improve health outcomes, and build community.





Two 'SASH For All' Pilots Launched in September 2022

- Brattleboro Housing Partnerships
- Windham & Windsor Housing Trust
- Pilot available at eleven housing sites (2 at BHP and 9 at WWHT)









Community



What is SASH for All?





Five Core Elements of SASH for All





Housing-based staff

A person-driven and strengthsbased approach to partnering with participants An "all-in" approach; populationbased structure



Individual planning and goal setting

Partnershipbased approach



SASH for All Pilot: Evaluation Framework and Anticipated Outcomes

What long-term benefits are associated with these outcomes?	Increased housing stability Decreased healthcare spending; costs shifted toward preventive care	Increased educational attainment Improved chronic dis management (diabe heart disease, etc	etes, of emergency financial
OUTCOMESDecreased emergency room visitsFewer move-outs and evictionsReduced barriers to preventive and dental healthReduced barriers to preventive and dental healthReferrals to mental health services and engagement with onsite peer mental health supportLow-barrier onsite screenings for: hypertension, diabetes, substance and tobacco use, mental health supportImage: Decreased emergency room visitsDecreased emergency room visitsThe supportDecreased emergency room visitsDecreased emergency 			
OUTPUTS	1:1 sessions with individuals and families; trust building and individualized goal setting and action plans	Connection to outside services: primary care, mental health services, economic/job services, school supports, child services, etc.	Community-building and engagement through group activities and health/wellness education
INPUTS	SASH [®] staff: Wellness nurse, coordinator (CHW), peer support advocate	Formalized partnership agreements with healthcare & community organizations	Centralized administrative support & oversight, training, data collection & analytics

SASH for All Pilot: Panel Data Profile





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FINANCIAL STABILITY / SECURITY

How hard is it for you to pay for the very basics like food, housing, medical care and heating?



FOOD INSECURITY

31% of adult participants

indicated food insecurity

37%

of the families with children in the home indicated food insecurity

HEALTH

Top 3 Chronic Conditions: Depression (5) Anxiety (5)

PTSD (5)

Average BP: 127 / 81 Stage 1 Hypertension

SUPPORT

21 Referrals Made for:

- Financial support for housing retention
- Mental health support
- Primary care
- Tobacco cessation
- Family support and services
- Chronic health condition management

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How would you rate your health?



Key Components of Our Statewide Administrative System

Cathedral Square has an established statewide administrative system (with state funding) that supports SASH programs across the state, including the SASH for All pilots. This includes:

- Staff training both on-boarding for new staff and on-going for all staff to build skills, share best practices, peer support, etc.
- Statewide data management and reporting
- Quality assurance and improvement
- Technical support and resources including STAR (SASH Tools and Resources intranet)





SASH for All Pilot Update

- MOUs in place with SASH For All Partners (HCRS, Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, Winston Prouty and Turning Point.)
- All staff with exception of mental health position(s) hired
- All staff completed multi-week SASH for All on-boarding training (including HIPAA)
- All staff completed 6-hour Strengthening Families[™] training
- Staff are building relationships, enrolling participants, organizing and leading group programs/events – 41 participants to date
- Assessing participants needs with standard assessment
- SASH For All team meetings on a monthly basis





SASH for All Pilots in Progress



Success Stories:

- Enrolling participants during Green Mountain Care open enrollment –
- "I've been able to work with a family to complete open enrollment through Vermont Health Connect. Their monthly premium for health insurance is now a whopping \$0.12 a month for their whole family, which is just super cool! They both work at a restaurant in town that does not offer health insurance and they have been intermittently signing up for self-paid health insurance for years. Then the primary participant ended up on short term disability and her income was just chopped so they were not able to afford the premiums so they cancelled their service. This has been a huge stressor for them so their minds were just blown. I was able to sit with them for half an hour and all of a sudden their insurance is essentially free."
- Referrals to services re: legal addressing topics: parenting skills, food insecurity, healthcare needs for family, education resource support, legal issues, healthy relationships, healthy food habits
- Establishing potential partnerships with area schools
- Diverse family structures enrolled: adult children, single parents, young children, supporting persons with diverse physical mental and emotional needs that do not have connections to supportive services
- Community-wide gatherings (especially art focused) engages adults and children and builds relationships between residents.





SASH for All Community Events Making Valentines Day Cards





SUPPORT AND SERVICES AT HOME

Current Funding Source:

- SASH for All pilot funding provided by 2022 congressionally directed spending request through Senator Sanders
- One year funding project end date is August 31, 2023

SASH for All Pilot Funding



SASH for All Funding Options:

- **\$450,000** would provide Year 2 funding for current pilots.
- **\$2.7M** would provide statewide expansion to include 10 SASH for All panels in existing subsidized housing communities and the continuation of two pilot programs for a total of 12 SASH panels serving approximately 1,000 persons for **one year** in all counties.
- \$5.4 M would provide statewide expansion for two years in all counties across the state.

SASH for All funding is included in the **Bridges to Housing** framework here: <u>https://www.vtaffordablehousing.org/_files/ugd/d8ef0c_8f82152084e847d</u> <u>7ac837cb9fc9e0a96.pdf</u> SFY 2024 Budget Request for SASH for All







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Thank you!

