

# April 30 Monthly Housing Reporting

### In accordance with Act 113 (2024)

Submitted by the Department for Children and Families



### The Big Picture (As of April 7, 2025)



1080



Number of households in the GA Emergency Housing Program as of 4/7/2025 Number of people from <u>2024 Point-in-Time</u> <u>Sheltered & Unsheltered</u> <u>Homelessness Count</u> that took place on 1/24/24 Number of individuals with completed assessments for <u>Vermont</u> <u>Coordinated Entry</u> <u>Dashboard</u> on 4/7/2025



# **Households By District**

This is the current district data on all households in the GA Housing program as of 4/7/2025.

District Office	Rooms	Households	Adults	Children
Barre District Office	115	113	146	31
Bennington District Office	142	139	174	76
Brattleboro District Office	160	155	200	48
Burlington District Office	242	241	299	99
Hartford District Office	60	60	71	18
Middlebury District Office	*	*	*	*
Morrisville District Office	22	22	28	*
Newport District Office	*	*	*	*
Rutland District Office	185	177	235	106
Springfield District Office	57	57	69	17
St Albans District Office	53	53	63	*
St Johnsbury District Office	40	40	49	16
Total	1099	1080	1358	438

\* Data is suppressed when less than 12



### **Governor's Executive Order** <u>03-25</u>

The Executive Order creates two priority eligibility groups:

(1) families with children; and (2) households with a medically vulnerable individual.

Eligible households under the Executive Order are now part of the March Cohort.

#### Families with custody of a child under 19:

• DCF shall identify the households currently in the hotel/motel program with custody of children under 19

#### Medically vulnerable

- Medically vulnerable for purposes of priority eligibility shall mean an individual who:
  - meets the Medicare definition of "homebound," such as someone who relies on the medically necessary assistance of another person or medical equipment such as a wheelchair for mobility and other essential functions;
  - who requires a lifesaving device that requires access to electricity, such as an oxygen concentrator;
  - o is in active cancer treatment or treatment for severe kidney/renal disease, or severe liver or heart conditions;
  - o is actively receiving Medicaid-eligible or Medicare-eligible "home-based" nursing services (like VNA visits, or hospice); or
  - is a woman in the third trimester of pregnancy or a woman who will enter the third trimester of pregnancy during the period April 1, 2025, to June 30, 2025.



# **GA Program Utilization – April 2025**

The General Assistance Emergency Housing Program served 1433 households the night of March 31, 2025. A subgroup of households from this population would then continue to be eligible under the Governor's Executive Order 03-25.

Note:	Households	Adults	Children
Housed Night of 3/31/2025	1433	1803	510
Housed Night of 3/31/25 and still housed Night of 4/7/25	1080	1358	438
Housed Night of 3/31/25 and Exhausted 80 Nights (some households were then found eligible, some households exited and never reapplied, and some were not eligible any longer).	410	538	152
Housed Night of 3/31/25; Exhausted 80 Nights and not rehoused under Executive Order	162	196	19
Housed Night of 3/31/25; Not in Housing 4/7/25; but household still has some eligible nights remaining	141	170	40



### Medical Vulnerability review process and data

This process is available for client who have been housed on 3/31/2025 and have medical conditions that are outlined in the Executive Order.

Prior Approval	Review Request	ESD receives 201G-MV form	Response
76 Households received an approval without having to provide any documentation as they are connected to services provided by AHS and meet the vulnerability requirements	Client self attests to medical vulnerability and are given <u>a form (201G-</u> <u>MV)</u> and are provisionally housed for up to 7 days.	Forms that are blank, incomplete or for non- cohort households are denied. Completed forms are sent to the medical review team for their analysis. While the medical review team is reviewing the case, clients can be provisionally housed.	The medical review team informs ESD if the documentation received is sufficient or insufficient to verify a qualifying condition under the Executive Order.
	process.		In one of more stages of the



### **Eligibility Category of Households**

This is the current eligibility data on all households in the GA Housing program as of 4/7/2025.

Approval Category	Count
Age 65+	56
Court Ordered/Constructive Eviction	21
Disabled (201G-VR)	278
Disabled (SSI/SSDI)	244
Domestic Violence	40
Families with Children	192
Pregnant	17
Death of a Spouse, Domestic Partner or Minor Child	*
Natural Disaster	*
Executive OrderFamilies	70
Executive OrderMedically Vulnerable	*
Executive OrderProvisional	151
Executive OrderPregnant	*
Grand Total	1080

\* Data is suppressed when less than 12

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#### Notes:

- The <u>range of individuals in SSI/SSDI</u> crosses a range of acuity and health challenge— it can be mental health, chronic health condition, or a physical disability.
- As of 4/1/2025, medical vulnerability can be verified by the submission of the <u>Emergency</u> <u>Housing Verification of Medically Vulnerable</u> form for households who might qualify under the Executive Order for housing assistance.



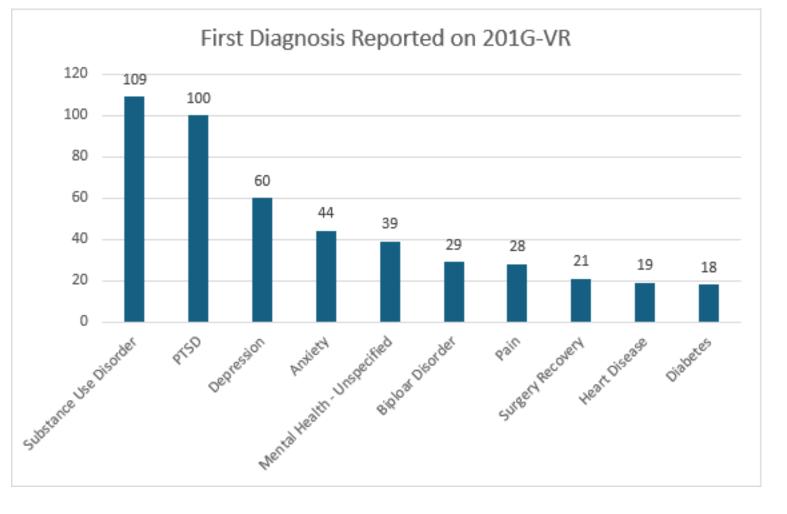
### Disability reasons documented on the Medical Variance Form (201G-VR)

This form must be used to document a qualifying disability or health condition under General Assistance (GA) rule 2652.2, Emergency Housing Assistance.

Prior to the Governor's March 28 Executive Order, approximately 65% of households were eligible for General Assistance Emergency Housing due to a disability, which is documented on the Department's 201G-VR Medical Variance form by a healthcare provider. The top 10 first reasons listed on the 201G-VR form are the following:

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This data is through 12/30/2024, and does not include SSI/SSDI or Medical Vulnerability (201G-MV) data

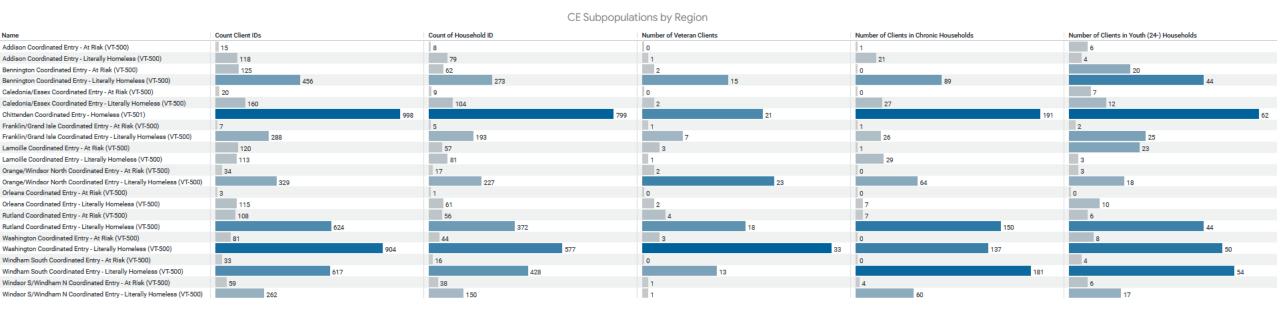


## **Screening and Case Management**

- When people register for GA Housing they are referred to Coordinated Entry Lead Agency for Coordinated Entry screening.
- The Coordinated Entry Assessment Process helps to identify housing and health-related needs. It also helps to assess if people have complex needs who would benefit from a Team Based Care program approach and if people are connected or need assistance connecting to health/social health related services and care teams.
- The Coordinated Entry assessor refers directly to programs needed and if a Team Based Care approach is appropriate, they reach out to the AHS Field Director to help make connections to local Community Health Team, Adult Local Interagency Team and/or Vermont Chronic Care Initiative. We are exploring ways to improve this process to tighten it up to enhance engagement and connection to Vermont Team Based Care by having Field Directors help to facilitate connections.
- In addition, there are various programs across AHS that help support people in the General Assistance Emergency Housing program, helping to connect them to housing resources and health/social health services as needed
- Under the Medically Vulnerable Process, we are identifying people we receive forms on who are not receiving complex care coordination and are providing outreach to see if they are willing to engage with VCCI.



### **Subpopulations Enrolled in Coordinated Entry March 2025**



This table shows the number of clients enrolled in Coordinated Entry during the past month, the number of households those clients were in, the number of clients that were veterans, the number of clients that were in chronically homeless households (as defined <u>here.</u>), and the number of clients in a household where the head of household was 24 years of age or under, broken down by the local housing coalitions throughout Vermont.

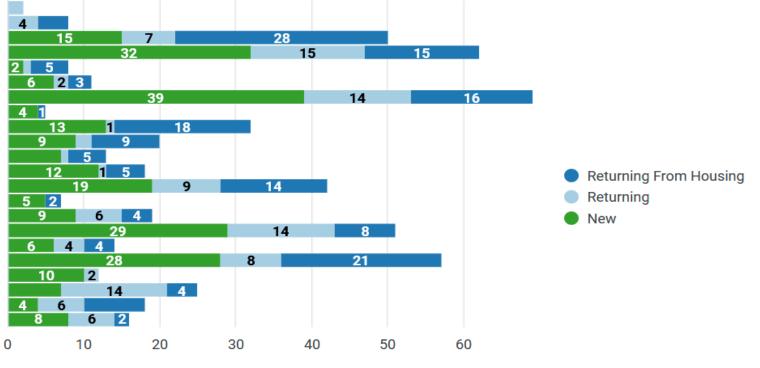
Source: https://icalliances.org/vermont-coordinated-entry-dashboard



### **New and Returning Enrollments by Region March 2025**

CE New and Returning Enrollments by Region

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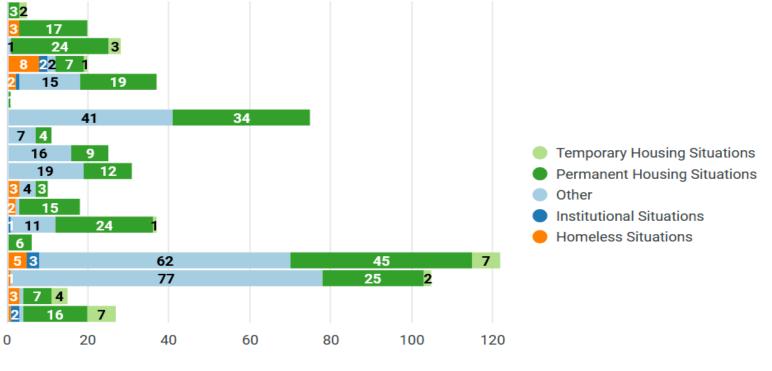
This chart categorizes clients that have entered CE in the past complete month into "Returning From Housing" (Clients that had an exit in HMIS to a permanent destination prior to enrolling in CE), "Returning" (Clients that had an exit in HMIS to a non-permanent destination prior to enrolling in CE), and "New" (Clients that had no exit in HMIS prior to enrolling in CE), broken down by the local housing coalitions throughout Vermont. Source: <a href="https://icalliances.org/vermont-coordinated-entry-dashboard">https://icalliances.org/vermont-coordinated-entry-dashboard</a>



### **CE Exit Destination by Region March 2025**

#### CE Exit Destination Categories by Region

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This chart breaks down the Exit Destinations of clients leaving CE in the past complete month into categories described in <u>Appendix A of the HMIS Data Standards</u>, broken down by the local housing coalitions throughout Vermont. Source: <u>https://icalliances.org/vermont-coordinated-entry-dashboard</u>



## Housing Opportunity Grant Program (HOP) Status Update

New base funding for HOP grants was prioritized for emergency shelter expansion, including the preservation of shelter capacity created with one-time funding in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 24 and increased capacity in SFY25.

#### The Annual HOP Award Summary is available online.

The status of contracts for housing and supportive services resulting from the Agency's requests for proposals can be found at <u>https://www.vermontbusinessregistry.com/</u>. No contracts were awarded in response to the May 24, 2023 RFP.



## **Emergency Shelter Capacity**

County	Total Current Household Capacity
Addison	62
Bennington	31
Caledonia	35
Chittenden	201
Franklin	32
Lamoille	28
Orleans	7
Rutland	25
Washington	124
Windham	74
Windsor	48
Grand Total	667



# **Emergency Shelter Capacity Updates**

Ongoing Operations at State-Started Shelters - Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity will take over operations at the state-started Williston Family Shelter in May 2025, operations will continue in Williston until the shelter will shift to a permanent location at the end of 2025. The Agency is in discussion with the Town of Waterbury and a provider to explore future operations in the Waterbury location.

Champlain Housing Trust is finishing renovations on a building that Spectrum Youth & Family Services will start operating at the in June as a young adult shelter.

Lamoille Community House will launch new family shelter emergency apartment capacity in the summer of 2025.

BROC Community Action is looking to start providing emergency shelter capacity in Rutland.

The new building acquired by COTS will allow them to expand year-round capacity in the future, after the necessary renovations occur.

Groundworks and Upper Valley Haven have shelter construction projects underway and anticipate open in summer 2026.

The state is working with additional providers on acquisition and development projects and will share more information as projects finalize.





Eligibility and contact information, and links to documents and resources can be found at the DCF website.

### Resources

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



## SFY 2025 Monthly Hotel Authorizations\*

Data as of 4/25/2025

Month	Payment Authorizations
July 2024	\$3,335,061
August 2024	\$3,334,668
September 2024	\$2,768,658
October 2024	\$1,871,410
November 2024	\$1,899,932
December 2024	\$3,211672
January 2025	\$3,296,490
February 2025	\$3,020,698
March 2025	\$3,434,720
April 2025	\$2,540,970
May 2025	
June 2025	
TOTAL	\$28,714,279**

\*Prior month authorizations will adjust throughout the year as data corrections are made. \*\*Spending represents the cost of hotel rooms, not including admin and security expenses.



## **Residential Capacity**

- As of April 28, **154** Residential Mental Health Treatment beds with **3** currently available.
- As of April 28, 63 Mental Health Intensive Residential Treatment beds with 5 currently available.
- As of April 19, **110** Recovery Housing beds with **13** currently available.
- As of April 28, **183** Department of Corrections (DOC) Transitional Housing beds with **58** currently available.
- As of April 28, **2,871** Skilled Nursing Facility beds with **317** currently available.

