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- 1. GA Program Update. Weekly data on the GA Emergency Housing Program can be found at: https://dcf.vermont.gov/Addressing-and-Preventing-Unsheltered-Homelessness
- 2. 3SquaresVT Benefits and Homelessness
- 3. A future meeting will be scheduled to discuss planning for the start of Adverse Weather Conditions
- 4. Update on the 10m shelter expansion plans

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Chart of Households Currently in Housing

Table - District Data Breakdown as of October 7, 2024

District	Rooms	Households	Adults	Children
Barre District Office	77	75	95	30
Bennington District Office	52	52	65	21
Brattleboro District Office	111	106	138	40
Burlington District Office	156	154	194	45
Hartford District Office	25	25	35	*
Middlebury District Office	*	*	*	*
Morrisville District Office	12	*	14	*
Newport District Office	*	*	*	*
Rutland District Office	156	149	187	77
Springfield District Office	35	35	41	*
St Albans District Office	43	43	49	*
St Johnsbury District Office	*	*	*	*
Grand Total	685	668	838	250

Household that Have Exhausted 80 Nights of Housing 9/19/24-10/7/24

District	Households	
Barre District	78	
Bennington District	65	
Brattleboro District	83	
Burlington District	135	
Hartford District	28	
Middlebury District	*	
Morrisville District	*	
Newport District	*	
Rutland District	195	
Springfield District	15	
St Albans District	21	
St Johnsbury District	*	
Grand Total	650	

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Individuals Experiencing Homelessness are eligible for 3SquaresVT

The Department for Children and Families is reminding residents that having a permanent address is not a requirement to qualify for and receive 3SquaresVT benefits. This vital program provides nutrition assistance to those in need, including individuals experiencing homelessness.

Individuals experiencing homelessness can receive 3SquaresVT benefits by using alternative mailing options for communication and documentation, including:

- General Delivery: Mail can be sent to a local post office for pickup.
- P.O. Box: Residents can rent a P.O. Box for secure mail receipt.
- Reliable Friends or Family Members: Individuals may use the address of someone they trust for correspondence.
- Shelters: Many shelters provide mail services for residents, making it easier to stay connected.

It's important for the Economic Services Division to have a reliable way to send information to you by mail. If your circumstances have changed and you need to update the mailing address linked to your 3SquaresVT account, you can call the Economic Services Division at 1-800-479-615. For language interpretation services, call 1-855-247-3092.

You may also call 2-1-1 and request to be connected with a community partner organization who can support you with 3SquaresVT benefits and reporting changes.

The Department for Children and Families encourages anyone in need of food assistance who thinks they may qualify to apply for 3SquaresVT, regardless of their living situation. To learn more about eligibility requirements and the application process, visit <u>dcf.vermont.gov/benefits</u> or call 2-1-1.