



Family Supportive Housing

~ State Fiscal Year 2027 Awards Summary ~

The **Family Supportive Housing (FSH)** program works to reduce both the incidence and duration of family homelessness in Vermont by helping families with minor children secure and maintain affordable housing. Through intensive, home-based case management and coordinated services, FSH supports families in transitioning out of homelessness and building long-term stability.

FSH providers partner with landlords to increase housing access and work closely with local affordable housing agencies through formal partnerships. Service coordinators address the underlying causes of homelessness, foster trauma-informed, non-judgmental communication, promote resilience in both parents and children, support financial empowerment, and help families remain stably housed over time.

The Vermont Agency of Human Services (AHS) launched the FSH program in state fiscal year (SFY) 2014 in three pilot districts: Rutland, Burlington, and Brattleboro. Over the years, the program expanded to additional AHS districts—St. Johnsbury, Hartford, Bennington, and Barre—and in SFY21, grew further to include Springfield, Newport, and St. Albans. This expansion also increased capacity in existing districts, enabling the program to serve an additional 110 families, bringing total capacity to 285.

In SFY24, the Vermont Legislature significantly increased funding for FSH, nearly doubling its capacity. This most recent expansion marked a major milestone, transforming FSH into a truly statewide initiative and a key strategy in addressing family homelessness in Vermont.

Thanks to this expansion, the Family Supportive Housing Program is now a **statewide service** and a **key part** of Vermont's efforts to reduce family homelessness. The SFY27 awards are listed below.

Caseload sizes and staffing levels for each geographic area are informed by data and the specific needs of families experiencing homelessness across the state.

FSH Partner	2026 Staff Positions	2026 Caseload Min-Max
Winston Prouty Center in Brattleboro	3 positions	36-45
Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS) & Howard Center in Burlington	5 positions	60-75
Homeless Prevention Center in Rutland	3 positions	36-45
Upper Valley Haven in Hartford	2 positions	24-30
Northeast Kingdom Community Action (NEKCA) in St. Johnsbury and Newport	3 positions	36-45
Family Center of Washington County in Barre	5 positions	60-75
Sunrise Family Resource Center in Bennington	3 positions	36-45
Pathways Vermont in St. Albans	3 positions	36-45
Springfield Supported Housing	1 position	12-15
United Way of Lamoille County	1 position	12-15
John Graham Housing & Services	1 position	12-15
TOTALS	30 Positions	360-450

Family Supportive Housing is administered by the Office of Economic Opportunity, Department for Children and Families.