

Emergency Rental Assistance Program – Housing Stability Services ~ Awards Summary July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025 ~

The Department for Children and Families Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) awarded approximately \$14.5 million in federal funding under the Emergency Rental Assistance – Housing Stability Services (ERAP-HSS) Program to twenty non-profit organizations across Vermont from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

The U. S. Treasury made available funds for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to assist eligible households who are otherwise unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.¹ A portion of these funds may be used to support housing stability services, including case management and other services intended to keep households stably housed. Vermont’s Housing Stability Services grants support the following activities:

- VERAP Application Assistance (year one only)
- Housing Navigation Services, short-term services to help households find and obtain stable housing, particularly households experiencing homelessness
- Housing Retention Services, longer-term services to help households retain stable housing
- Landlord Outreach & Education
- Legal Services to prevent eviction
- Credit Repair & Money Management

In addition, particular attention is given to reaching marginalized populations, including Vermonters with extremely low incomes, people experiencing homelessness, people with limited English proficiency, people living with a disability as well as Vermonters who are black, indigenous and people of color.

The Vermont Department for Children and Families and the Department of Housing and Community Development jointly administer the Housing Stability Services Program. This Award Summary includes DCF’s Housing Stability Services awards for the three-year period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. In total, these awards support nearly 65 full-time equivalent positions statewide in year one. Where regional in focus, the Award Summary identifies the Agency of Human Services (AHS) District areas.

¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/emergency-rental-assistance-program>

Regional Resources²

BROC Community Action

\$231,923

Rutland & Bennington AHS Districts

Year 1: Application Assistance & Housing Navigation Services (3 FTEs)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services (1 FTE: full support of one full-time staff position)

Burlington Housing Authority

\$475,407

Burlington AHS District

Year 1: Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Retention Specialist), and Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Retention Specialist – Community Outreach)

Capstone Community Action

\$1,410,787

Barre AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (.4 FTE), Housing Navigation Services for households including those experiencing homelessness at motels (1.25 FTE) and Housing Retention Services (.25 FTE)

Year 2: Housing Navigation Services for households including those experiencing homelessness at motels (1.4 FTE: partial support of one full-time Housing Program Manager and full support of one full-time Housing Counselor), and Housing Retention Services (.4 FTE: partial support of one full-time Housing Program Manager)

Year 3: Housing Navigation Services for households including those experiencing homelessness at motels (1.25 FTE: partial support of one full-time Housing Program Manager, and full support of one full-time Housing Counselor), and Housing Retention Services (.25 FTE: partial support of one full-time Housing Program Manager)

Hartford AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (.5 FTE), and Housing Retention Services (.5 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Retention Services (.5 FTE: partial support of two full-time Housing Counselors)

Morrisville AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (.05 FTE), Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1 FTE), Housing Retention Services (1 FTE), and Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Counselor), Housing Retention Services (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Counselor), and Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Landlord Liaison)

² Full time equivalents (FTEs) are approximations. Agencies are also able to submit Work Plan Requests for Years 2 and 3 to make scope of work adjustments if necessary.

Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO)**\$1,948,685³***Burlington AHS District*

Year 1: Application Assistance (2 FTEs), Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services (3 FTEs: full support of two full-time Housing Advocates, and full support of one full-time Homeless Outreach Advocate)

St. Albans AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (1 FTE), Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE), Housing Navigation Services (1 FTE), Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (2 FTEs)

Years 2 and 3: Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Landlord Liaison), Housing Navigation Services (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Stability Case Manager), and Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (2 FTEs: full support of two full-time Housing Stability Case Managers), & Housing Retention Services (.5 FTE: partial support of one full-time staff)

Charter House Coalition**\$303,998***Middlebury AHS District*

Years 1, 2, and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness, including households in motels (1.5 FTEs: partial support of one full-time Outreach & Housing Case Manager, and full support of one full-time Outreach & Housing Case Manager)

Committee on Temporary Shelter (COTS)**\$1,489,742***Burlington AHS District*

Year 1: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (3 FTEs: full support of two full-time Housing Navigators and full support of one full-time Outreach Program Coordinator), and Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Retention Specialist)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, those at motels (7 FTEs: full support of four full-time Housing Navigators, full support of one full-time Outreach Program Coordinator, and full support of two full-time Community Unhoused Coordinated Entry Navigators), and Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (2 FTEs: full support of one full-time Housing Retention Specialist, and full support of one full-time Family Retention Specialist)

³ CVOEO provides both regional and statewide resources. Amount is total award.

Family Center of Washington County**\$264,998***Barre AHS District*

Year 1: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1.125 FTEs: full support of one full-time Family Stability Housing Case Manager, and partial support of one full-time Youth & Family Services Manager)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1.375 FTEs: full support of one full-time Family Stability Housing Case Manager, and partial support of one full-time Family Stability Housing Case Manager, and partial support of one full-time Youth & Family Services Manager)

Good Samaritan Haven**\$303,344***Barre AHS District*

Year 1: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1.57 FTEs: full support of one full-time Motel Service Manager, and full support of one part-time Housing Navigator)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1.4 FTEs: full support of one full-time Motel Service Manager, partial support of one part-time Housing Navigator, and partial support of full-time Executive Director)

Groundworks Collaborative**\$948,655***Brattleboro AHS District*

Year 1: Housing Navigation for households experiencing homelessness at motels (3.5 FTE), Landlord Education & Outreach (.5 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation for households experiencing homelessness at motels (4 FTEs: full support of four full-time Community Outreach Case Managers), Landlord Education & Outreach (.5 FTE: partial support of one full-time Landlord Liaison), and Housing Retention Services to households exiting homelessness (.775 FTE: partial support of one full-time Community Case Manager)

John Graham Housing & Services**\$481,730***Middlebury AHS District*

Years 1, 2, 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness & Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (2.125 FTEs: partial support of the full-time Program Director, and full support of two full-time Housing Navigators)

NewStory Center**\$162,191***Rutland AHS District*

Years 1, 2, 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Stability Specialist)

Pathways Vermont**\$741,585**

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Retention Services to households exiting homelessness (.4 FTE: partial support of one full-time Team Leader)

Bennington AHS District

Year 1: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness & Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1.25 FTEs: full support of one full-time Service Coordinator, and full support of one short-term Service Coordinator)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness & Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Service Coordinator)

Burlington AHS District

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness & Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Service Coordinator)

Brattleboro AHS District

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness & Housing Retention Services for households exiting homelessness (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Service Coordinator)

Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA)**\$975,388**

Year 1: Housing Navigation & Housing Retention Services (.7 FTEs: partial support of one full-time Senior Housing Specialist & partial support of one full-time Family Services Coordinator)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation and Housing Retention Services (.5 FTE: partial support of one full-time Senior Housing Specialist)

Brattleboro AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (.5 FTE) & Housing Navigation Services (1 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation & Housing Retention Services (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Stability Resource Navigator)

Hartford AHS District

Year 1: Application Assistance (.5 FTE) & Housing Navigation Services (.25 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation and Housing Retention Services (.7 FTE: partial support of one full-time Housing Case Manager & partial support of one full-time Resource Recovery Navigator)

Springfield AHS District (Westminster & Springfield Offices)

Year 1: Application Assistance (.75 FTE) & Housing Navigation Services (.9 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation and Housing Retention Services (.9 FTE: partial support of one full-time Family Services Worker & partial support of one full-time Resource Recovery Navigator)

Springfield Supported Housing Program **\$566,659**

Springfield AHS District

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (2 FTE: full support of two full-time Housing Navigators), and Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Landlord Liaison)

Sunrise Family Resource Center **\$198,979**

Bennington AHS District

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness (.8 FTE: full support of one part-time Housing Navigator)

Upper Valley Haven **\$570,076**

Hartford AHS District

Year 1: Housing Navigation for households experiencing homelessness (1 FTE), and those households at motels (1 FTE), Landlord Outreach & Education (.5 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services for households experiencing homelessness at motels (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Navigator), Housing Navigation services to households experiencing homelessness and Housing Retention Services to households exiting homelessness (~.4 FTE: partial support of three full-time Service Coordinators), and Landlord Outreach & Education (.6 FTE: full support of one part-time Landlord Liaison)

Assistance for New Americans

Community Ambassadors (CVOEO) **\$1,948,685⁴**

Year 1: Application Assistance (.5 FTE)

Year 2 and 3: Credit Repair & Money Management (.225 FTE: partial support of one full-time Community Organizer, and partial support of several part-time Community Ambassadors)

Ethiopian Community Development Council **\$323,529**

Years 1: Housing Navigation Services (1.1 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Navigator and partial support of one full-time Resettlement Program Manager)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services (1.05 FTE: full support of one full-time Housing Navigator and partial support of one full-time Resettlement Program Manager)

U.S. Committee for Refugees & Immigrants **\$643,056**

Year 1: Application Assistance (.25 FTE), Housing Navigation Services & Housing Retention Services (1.3 FTE), Landlord Outreach & Education (1 FTE)

Years 2 and 3: Housing Navigation Services & Housing Retention Services (1 FTE: full support of full-time Housing Case Manager)

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Statewide Legal & Retention Services

Housing Advocacy Program (CVOEO) **\$1,948,685⁵**

Years 1, 2 and 3: Housing Retention Services (1 FTE: full support of one full-time Stability & Prevention Coordinator)

Vermont Law School – Veterans Legal Assistance Project **\$116,295**

Year 1: Legal Services (1 FTE)

Vermont Legal Aid **\$2,600,000**

Year 1: Application Assistance (2 FTEs), Legal Services (4 FTEs)

Years 2 and 3: Legal Services (4.25 FTEs*: full support of HELP Project Director, three full-time attorneys, and several legal support staff) *please note that VLA engages with a subcontractor – Legal Services Vermont – for a significant portion of this work.

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