

# **Vermont's Continua of Care System**

Vermont has two HUD-recognized Continua of Care (CoC) that apply for federal homeless funding for their corresponding geographic areas. Each region in Vermont also has a Local Continuum of Care, focused on regional homelessness prevention and intervention efforts.

## 1. Balance of State (BoS) CoC

- Governing body: Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness (VCEH)
- Covers all VT *except* Chittenden County
- Collaborative Applicant for HUD CoC Programs: Vermont State Housing Authority
- Emergency Solutions & Housing Opportunity Grant Programs Funder: AHS – Office of Economic Opportunity

## 2. Chittenden County CoC

- Governing body: Chittenden County Homeless Alliance (CCHA)
- Covers Chittenden County
- Collaborative Applicant for HUD CoC Programs: City of Burlington – Community & Economic Development Office



#### **Local Continua of Care:**

- 1. Addison
- 2. Bennington
- 3. Caledonia & Essex
- 4. Franklin & Grand Isle
- 5. Lamoille
- 6. Orange & Windsor North
- 7. Orleans
- 8. Rutland
- 9. Washington
- 10. Windham South
- 11. Windsor S. & Windham N.

Each local CoC, including Chittenden County, has a representative in the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

Learn more at <u>helpingtohousevt.org</u>

#### What is a Continuum of Care?

A CoC consists of a partnership of service & resource providers, housing developers, state agencies, and others in the homelessness or low-income service system in a geographic region. CoCs monitor and address housing and service gaps through proactive solutions; Conduct an annual homeless count; Coordinate efforts with the statewide planning body.

The 2 HUD-recognized CoCs are planning and funding bodies, while Local CoCs are solely planning bodies that coordinate efforts to prevent and address homelessness.



Key partners include representatives from the Youth, Veterans and Victims of Domestic & Sexual Violence service provider communities.