

**Memorandum of Understanding Between
The Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness And
The Vermont Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs**

This Memorandum of Understanding is between:

The Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness (VCEH), as the primary decision-making body for the Vermont Balance of State Continuum of Care (VT BoS CoC).

And

The Vermont Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs, comprised of 14 youth service providers serving every Vermont county working together to guarantee the existence of a statewide safety net for runaway and homeless youth and youth at risk.

Purpose: Building upon VCRHYP's longstanding, active leadership and participation in VCEH, this MOU formalizes the agreement between VCEH and VCRHYP to collaborate on the VT BoS CoC's planning and implementation of a comprehensive community response to prevent and end homelessness among youth and young adults throughout the state of Vermont.

Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness Roles & Responsibilities:

1. VCEH has formed a Youth Action Board (YAB) and Youth Homelessness Prevention Plan Committee (YHPPC) to spearhead the development and implementation of a coordinated community plan to prevent and end youth homelessness.
2. VCEH, through its designated Collaborative Applicant the Vermont State Housing Authority, is applying for the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program for funding and technical assistance to support this planning and implementation.

Vermont Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs Roles & Responsibilities:

1. VCRHYP Director will continue to act as Co-Chair of the Youth Homelessness Prevention Plan Committee (YHPPC) and serve on the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Leadership Team.
2. VCRHYP Director will continue to act as the primary support person for the Youth Action Board (YAB), in areas of meeting coordination, meeting facilitation and other areas the YAB identifies, only as needed. The Director will empower the YAB to act on its own behalf to fulfill its purpose.
3. VCRHYP will provide stipends for members of the YAB for their participation and time commitment to the YAB, VCEH and VCRHYP meetings and associated responsibilities.
4. VCRHYP Assistant Director will continue to serve as a member of the CoC board, CoC Coordinated Entry Committee, the YHPPC, and the YHDP Leadership Team.

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5. VCRHYP will continue to support VCEH in its planning and conducting of the annual Point in Time (PIT) Count to ensure that the PIT Count is youth-inclusive.
6. VCRHYP will continue to support the assessment of community need through the sharing of non-identifiable HMIS data on homeless youth served by its member agencies.
7. VCRHYP will continue to bridge communication between VCEH, YHPCC, YAB and VCRHYP's member agencies to identify and build capacity for best practice youth service delivery.
8. Should VCEH be selected as a Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) community, VCRHYP will provide ongoing support through a matching financial contribution to fund up to 50%, \$20,000 annually, of a full-time Youth Demonstration Housing Project Coordinator for a minimum of two-years. Specific roles and responsibilities of the Project Coordinator position will be defined in collaboration with the Vermont State Housing Authority, as the YHDP Lead Agency.
9. VCRHYP will provide in-kind supervision and facilities supports for the Project Coordinator position at the VCRHYP office on Elm Street in Montpelier, VT.

This MOU will begin upon the start of YHDP funding in FFY19, if selected, and will continue until such time as one or both parties choose to terminate it, and may be amended at any time with the mutual consent of both parties.

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