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**PROGRAM LOCATIONS BY COUNTY:**

**Project SEARCH:** Windsor, Chittenden

**Global Campuses Foundation:**

Caledonia, Orange, Washington, Orleans,  
Essex, Windsor, Grafton County, NH

**SUCCEED:** Chittenden

**College Steps:** Bennington-Southern Vermont College,

Rutland-Castleton State College,

Lamoille-Johnson State College,

Caledonia-Lyndon State College

**Think College:** Chittenden-UVM, Lamoille-Johnson State College

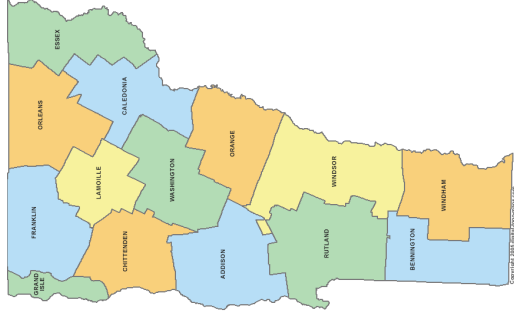
**Mansfield Hall: Chittenden**

**Vermont Family Network:** Statewide

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## TRANSITION



## POST SECONDARY EDUCATION RESOURCES

*“A gift for me is to continue to learn and go back to college. Getting into Think College was the best gift I have had in my lifetime now. It’s like opening a present over and over again. And it’s a magical gift that no one can ever take away from me for a long time.”*

*~Nicole, Think College Student*





**Project SEARCH** is a workplace immersion program for students with intellectual disabilities in their final year of high school. It is a collaborative program between Education, Voc Rehab, Developmental Disabilities Services and a local business. This one-year program offers career exploration and job training through business-based internships. The goal is to have students learn transferrable skills via internships that lead to complex competitive employment.

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National Project SEARCH: [www.projectsearch.us/](http://www.projectsearch.us/)



**Global Campuses Foundation** (GCF) a nonprofit organization, develops community and campus based education and life-long learning for adults with differing abilities. Started in 2003, it was the first individualized, peer facilitated learning model in Vermont. Its unique educational model is tailored to individuals' passions and interests to provide opportunities for peer teaching and learning. In addition to teaching, individuals create courses, attend classes, lead seminars and organize community service projects. GCF currently oversees campuses in Vermont, New Hampshire and Thailand. [www.globalcampuses.org](http://www.globalcampuses.org)

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**SUCCEED** Vermont's first innovative post-secondary education program for students with intellectual disabilities and autism is offered by Howard Center in collaboration with area colleges. Students participate in four program areas: Education, Campus Life, Career Development and Student Housing. SUCCEED provides students with the tools to live more independently while actively participating in a college experience. Each student graduates with the confidence and skills to live in their own apartment, obtain meaningful employment and engage socially in their community.

[www.howardcenter.org/SUCCEED](http://www.howardcenter.org/SUCCEED)

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**Think College Vermont** (TC) is an inclusive, academic, social and vocational program for students with intellectual disabilities seeking a college experience and career training. TC incorporates student-centered planning, academic advising and peer mentoring resulting in a Certificate of College Studies. TC is a program of UVM located on the UVM and JSC campuses.

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**College Steps** (CS) is a New England based non-profit organization that connects students with varying abilities with a college campus based experience. Through a supportive environment, CS offers programs for high school graduates who are interested in attending college and high school students interested in a college primer experience prior to graduation. [www.collegesteps.org](http://www.collegesteps.org)

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**Mansfield Hall** is a college program and residence providing a comprehensive academic, social, emotional and vocational approach to higher education and transition. Students attend local colleges and live in an integrated environment with support while they transition toward independence. With a flexible approach based on individual needs, students flourish academically, socially, vocationally and emotionally. [www.mansfieldhall.org](http://www.mansfieldhall.org)

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**Vermont Family Network** (VFN) is a statewide non-profit organization that promotes better health, education and well-being for all children and families, with a focus on children and young adults with special needs. VFN helps families and professionals learn about transitions and provides transition planning information.

[www.VermontFamilyNetwork.org](http://www.VermontFamilyNetwork.org)

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