Addison County Resources

Education

- Counseling Service of Addison County Intensive School Support Program provides year round, intensive services for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders age 2 22.
- Diversified Occupations Program (DO) at the Hannaford Career Center is an Addison Central Supervisory Union Special Education program that serves students with specific academic, vocational, and behavioral needs.
- Vermont Adult Learning
- Stern Center
- ReSOURCE
- Northlands Job Corps Center (Vergennes) 800-733-5627 offers an education and career technical training program

Education/School District/ Supervisory Unions

- Addison Central Supervisory Union
- Addison Northeast Supervisory Union
- Addison Northwest Supervisory Union
- Addison-Rutland Supervisory Union

Employment/Supported

Community Associates/Counseling Service of Addison County

Independent Schools and Programs

Providers of Services

- Designated Agency/Community Associates/Counseling Service of Addison County Supports include service coordination/case management, home supports, employment services, community supports, family and respite supports, clinical interventions and crisis services.
- Specialized Support Agency/Specialized Community Care, Inc. 802-388-6388 (Middlebury)

Postsecondary Education

• College Steps Program partners with colleges and universities to support students of varying ability (e.g., autism spectrum disorders (ASD), intellectual disabilities (ID), learning disabilities, etc.), ages 17-26, with their college pursuits.

- Next Steps Program is a youth transition program that provides employment and educational exploration experiences for high school seniors considering college or specific career tracks following high school graduation.
- SUCCEED Program (HowardCenter) in collaboration with The University of Vermont, offers SUCCEED, which provides comprehensive education, campus life, career development and student housing services to students with developmental disabilities.
- UVM/TPSID Think College is a small, innovative, inclusive, academic, social, and vocational program for students with intellectual disabilities seeking a college experience at the University of Vermont.
- <u>Upwardbound</u> 802-656-7851 is a program at UVM for high school students that provides services and motivational activities to ensure high school graduation and enrollment in and completion of a postsecondary educational program.

Recreation

- Boys and Girls Club of Greater Vergennes (802) 877-6344
- The Hub (453-5885) recreational opportunities for youth in Bristol, Monkton, Starksboro, New Haven, and Lincoln
- Special Olympics
- Addison Central Teens provides a Teen Center and after-school alternatives that are welcoming, safe and fun for all teenagers in the community.

State and Area Resources

- Addison County Court Diversion
- Addison County Transit Resources (802)388-2287 provides transportation in Addison County as well as connections to Chittenden and Rutland Counties
- Assistive Technology Program (Waterbury)
- Brain Injury Association of Vermont
- Department of Children and Families (DCF)- has programs providing temporary financial assistance for families through Reach Up Program and Family Services Division has protective services for children; and assistance with parental guidance
- HOPE: Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects: working with individuals to identify and secure resources needed to meet basic needs (802)388-3608.
- Go! Vermont 802-685-7433 offers free carpool matching and vanpool services and statewide bus routes
- Green Mountain Self Advocates (GMSA) Montpelier 802-564-9990 The purpose of GMSA is for people with developmental disabilities to educate peers to take control over their own lives, make decisions, solve problems, and speak for themselves.
- Green Mountain Transit Authority (GMTA) offers an array of public transportation services
- Medicaid

- Nine East Network (Montpelier) 802-229-0100 focus on access to communication for children who are deaf or hard of hearing
- Social Security (Burlington) 877-840-5776 provides income support through Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for eligible youth with disabilities
- State of Vermont Division of Blind and Visually Impaired The Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired (DBVI) is the designated state unit to provide vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to eligible Vermonters who are blind and visually impaired
- Transition Toolkit for Youth with Disabilities (VFN)
- TRIPSY Training and Resources for Interdisciplinary Professionals Serving Children and Youth (Burlington) 802-656-3131 - provides a variety of information and training modules
- UVM Medical Center Driver Rehabilitation (Colchester) 802-847-3140 provides evaluations and specialized instruction around driver skills
- Addison County Parent Child Center VCRHYP member agencies support young people who have runaway, are thinking about running away, are experiencing homelessness, or are at risk of becoming homeless
- Vermont Association of the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) private organization employing Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVI) and Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialists (COMS) throughout the state of Vermont providing direct services, consultation services, assessments, and hands-on training for children (ages 0-22), teaching them skills that are unique to children with visual impairments.
- Vermont Center for Independent Living VCIL Youth Transition Program 800-639-1522helps students in high schools develop job and independent living skills to prepare them for transitioning out of high school into the workforce, secondary education, or simply living on their own. VCIL can help to create independent living plans for transitioning students to reach their goals. This is primarily done through workshops that take place in high schools throughout the state.
- Vermont Department of Labor 800-828-4000 DOL Youth program funded through the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) is designed to assist eligible Youth ages 16-24 with the following: develop job & career readiness skills, identify career pathways, support academic achievement, successfully transition to sustained employment, and develop financial literacy awareness & skills
- Vermont Student Assistance Corp (VSAC) Outreach Provides assistance linking career choices with education and training (college and non-college), information on education and training options and assistance with admission and financial aid applications for college and non-college training programs
- Vermont 2-1-1- provides information and referrals to any health and human service needs in Vermont, dial 2-1-1, a local phone call from anywhere in the state
- Youth Yellow Pages