

Housing & Homelessness Alliance of Vermont (HHAV) Update

Saturday, June 28, 2025

Upcoming Events:

HHAV July Monthly Membership Meeting

- What: HHAV July Monthly Membership Meeting
- When: Tuesday, July 8, from 9:00 - 10:30
- Where: [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

GA Emergency Housing Update

Following the Governor's veto of the BAA, which would have extended winter weather protections to all statutorily defined "vulnerable" unhoused Vermonters, Governor Scott signed [Executive Order 03-25](#), which waived the 80-night cap for a limited number of GA eligible households. In terms of impact, according to the April Housing Report (Act 113), 303 households, including 366 adults and 59 children, lost their shelter through the GA program after the winter weather protections ended on March 31. According to the most recent DCF data, as of June 23 there are only 980 households currently in GA emergency housing, down from approximately 1,450 households during winter weather protections.

In addition, according to a letter released earlier this month by ESD, for households who have been sheltered in a hotel or motel under Executive Order No. 03-25, any days used under this executive order count toward the household's 80-day limit within a 12-month period. The impact of this change was clarified on June 26 in a letter from ESD, which states that 379 households, including 541 adults and 291 children will be exited from their shelter under the program by July 1. In addition, the letter noted that 99 additional households, including 125 adults and 13 children, currently sheltered under the GA program will also lose their shelter by July 1.

In response, earlier today over 30 shelter and service providers from across Vermont sent a letter to Governor Scott urging him to take immediate action around the emergency shelter crisis facing our state. Here is the letter. Thank you to all of our partners who joined this!

End of 2025 Legislative Session Documents:

The Vermont legislature concluded its 2025 session earlier this month and will return for its 2026 session next January. There may be a special session later this fall to address possible federal funding impacts. We will provide additional details if a special session is called.

Here is a summary of some key issues during the 2025 legislative session:

- Funding for Affordable Housing Production and Homelessness Prevention Programs and Services: Governor Scott signed the FY26 budget on May 21. [Here](#) is HHAV's one pager on the FY26 budget.
- General Assistance Emergency Housing: [Here](#) is HHAV's FAQ document on General Assistance Emergency Housing for FY26 (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026). In addition, Governor Scott vetoed [H.91](#). As a reminder, this bill would have impacted Vermont's homelessness prevention and response system beginning in FY27. **This bill/veto has no impact on FY 26 General Assistance or HOP funds.** FY26 GA and HOP funds were included in the FY26 state budget, which the governor has already signed (see above).

Member & Partner Updates:

- Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence: The Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence is seeking a mission-driven Director of Database Administration to lead statewide implementation of client and program services databases for Vermont Network member organizations and certified Domestic Violence Accountability Program providers. The database administrator will manage vendor relationships and ensure databases meet compliance and reporting standards; provide user support, training and documentation; keep data entry and reporting functions updated; analyze data trends to support program planning; and collaborate with partners to ensure data policies and systems are informed by accurate data and responsive to the needs of survivors and program participants. The job posting can be found [here](#).
- Upper Valley Haven: Upper Valley Haven is hiring an Executive Director. The Haven serves over 10,000 people annually via a series of low-barrier services, including emergency shelter, food access, community outreach, children's programs, and other critical support in the Upper Valley region of Vermont and New Hampshire. [Here](#) is the job description.

- ANew Place: ANEW Place is hiring an Executive Director. ANEW Place is a faith-based homeless services agency equipping adults in the Greater Burlington area experiencing homelessness with the tools for lifelong change. Here is the job description.

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