#### **General Assistance Housing**

**Updates for April 2024** 



#### Budget Adjustment Act (BAA)

### Expanded eligibility through 6/30/2024 for:

- Categorical individuals (vulnerable and catastrophic)
- Members of June cohort
- HHs currently under AWC who are also categorically eligible
- HHs under AWC who do not receive SSI or SSDI but who have a qualifying disability or health condition that is verified through a 201G-VR



#### Budget Adjustment Act (BAA)

#### Continued -

- The Period of Ineligibility applies
- Income contribution applies (\$80/night)
  - Was waived only for March 2024
- Housing case management and Coordinated entry engagement applies
- HHs must call ESD to renew housing (no BULK renewals) –
  - HH can call within 10 days of checkout date

Night counts do not apply (previously 28/84).



### Variance Form 201G-VR

#### 201G-VR

- HHs that already meet category do not need to complete the 201G-VR.
- Link to public form: <u>https://outside.vermont.gov/dept/DCF/Shared%20Documents/ESD/Forms/201G-VR</u>
- Form can be mailed, uploaded or dropped off at district office.
  - AHS Uploader <a href="https://dcf.Vermont.gov/esd/applications/uploader">https://dcf.Vermont.gov/esd/applications/uploader</a>
  - District Office locations <a href="https://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/contact/districts">https://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/contact/districts</a>
- Provider will be verified in the NPI Registry. <a href="https://npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov/search">https://npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov/search</a>



# Adverse Weather Condition (AWC)

### Between March 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15th

- Must stay engaged with Coordinated Entry
- Weather dependent by ESD district

After April 15<sup>th</sup> – no AWC



#### 6/30 Cohort

#### As of March 25, 2024:

- Burlington Cohort 76 Households
- Website <a href="https://dcf.vermont.gov/Addressing-and-Preventing-Unsheltered-Homelessness">https://dcf.vermont.gov/Addressing-and-Preventing-Unsheltered-Homelessness</a>

## Emergency Shelter @ 108 Cherry

#### Thank you!

- Contributing Agencies
  - CVOEO
  - Howard Center
  - Burlington Housing Authority
  - Champlain Housing Authority
  - Burlington Police Department
  - Community Health Center of Burlington
  - Community & Economic Development
     Office
  - State Agencies- Buildings and General Services, AHS-VCCI, DCF, HireAbility & Field Services, Vermont Emergency Management



## Emergency Shelter @ 108 Cherry

#### Data

- 104 Individuals served
  - 80 people from outside and/or VFW shelter
  - 6 people from hotels (one was self pay)
  - 3 people from vehicles
  - 1 from the airport
  - 7 from couch surfing
  - 2 from correctional facilities
  - 3 from UVMMC
  - 1 from the Rutland Shelter
- Services accessed



## Emergency Shelter @ 108 Cherry

#### Data

#### Services accessed

- Each individual was provided with food from Feeding Chittenden's generous donation
- 37 people worked on Coordinated Entry Assessments
- 13 Coordinated Entry Referrals
- 30 Burlington Housing Authority checks and Applications
- 40 individuals worked with ESD to access hotels (with variances from Howard, CHCB or other providers)
- 6 people were assisted with IDs
- CHT checked many peoples names on their waitlists
- Howard Center met with many people to write variances, do intakes and problem solve
- Items given hats, 6 tents and sleeping bags, other items

