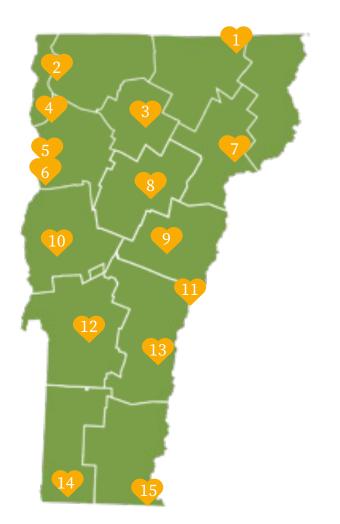


Parent Child Centers

Supporting Vermont's Parent Child Centers through leadership, advocacy and collaboration with key partners to achieve the best outcomes for families.





NEKCA Parent Child Center North Newport, VT









Janet S. Munt Family Room Burlington, VT



NEKCA Parent Child Center South

St. Johnsbury, VT

Family Center of Washington County Montpelier, VT

Orange County Parent Child Center Tunbridge, VT

Parent/Child Center of Addison County

Middlebury, VT

The Family Place Norwich, VT 12

Rutland County Parent Child Center

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Springfield Area Parent Child Center



Sunrise Family Resource Center Bennington, VT 15



Windham Southeast School District Early Education Services

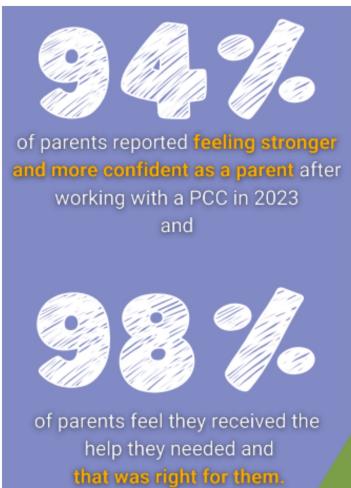


Our Network is comprised of
Parent Child Centers across Vermont
dedicated to supporting and strengthening
families every day. Our strengths-based,
multi-generation approach serves both
children and their caregivers through our
8 Core Services and then some!
We fill a vital role in our communities by
meeting families where they are and
cultivating deep relationships at
critical moments.

We served 2000 Children and 27,696 parents*

8 Core Services ...AND THEN SOME!







Home Visits



Dad's Group Participant, The Family Place



Playgroups

of parents feel their PCC had a positive impact on their famliy

As a mom of 3 young children I've been using the services provided by the family center for as long as I've walked my parenting journey. I am oh so grateful for the services that you all offer our community. I've been going to baby chat and breastfeeding group since 2017 when my oldest was born. The connection made and the support given made the walk into new momhood something that was easier to do. When my child got a little older we added playgroups and it was such a joy to watch his skills grow. The parent classes joined, which falls under my self care part of parenting. It is so amazing to have the opportunity to learn something new and know that the kids have a fun and safe place to play or join in the class.

Mom, Lamoille Family Center





The cost of food has increased significantly this year, resulting in more families who face food insecurity. Parent Child Centers offer families food access, cooking classes, and support in utilizing benefits that help keep nutritious food on the



Having this opportunity will help my aughter and myself with basic needs but Iso will open whole new doors for me to attend college and work, and to offer my

Housing

Lack of affordable housing continues to

impact youth and families resulting in increasing homelessness. Providing stability and essential needs becomes more difficult. PCCs walk alongside families in navigating the housing market and meeting personal,

employment, and housing goals.

Suppose Family Center Vehicle Recipient Parent Child Centers stepped up to help Vermont families who were affected by this summer's historic flooding. We brought food and essentials to FEMA sites, helped displaced families secure temporary shelter, sponsored food and clothing drives, and connected families to resources to muck out, repair, and restore their damaged homes.

Responding to Community



Quality Standards

Engaging with the National Standards of Quality has resulted in the PCCs:

- Setting goals and creating action plans to deepen practice
- Assessing progress and updating action steps
- Recognizing their place in the context of national measures of quality
- Celebrating successes



Parent Advisory Committees

From the start, family voice is at the center of our work, policies, and practices. The Network has set a Quality Standard for all centers to engage families in leadership and decision making that informs programming.

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PCCs have parent representation on their Boards of Director

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have active Parent/Family Advisory Committee

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are in the planning or early

Example activities and outcomes of Parent Advisory Councils:

PACs can participate in program development and assessment. Members are often invited to job interviews to offer their unique perspectives and opinions on possible new employees. The PAC provides social capital and professional setting experience for parents who are building a resume.

I was given support for my child and myself as well as a chance to develop into a fully comprehensive parent. I am happy to be able to give back to the Family Center in any way possible because I am so thankful for the

support I received.

PAC Member, Family Center Washington County



Network Infrastructure

In 2022, the legislature passed Act 150 to help strengthen the Network. This statute has facilitated the strengthening of the State-PCCN partnership and the PCCN has been working to ensure the Network and each PCC can meet the requirements outlined in the statute.

We are asking for an increase to our base funding to provide staffing and infrastructure support for capacity building for the Network to fully stand up ACT 150 July 1, 2024 and have the state grant flow through the Network.

Health Insurance

The legislature supported an increase in base funding for FY2024 for the PCCs Integrated Grant, which was applied directly to staff compensation in order to address the gap we have had between our compensation packages and market rates. We then learned of 12%-14% increases in health insurance rates.

We are asking for an increase to our base funding to address health Insurance cost increases, so that we do not have to dial back any benefits for our staff.

We are asking for an increase of \$721,945 to directly address the increased costs of Network Infrastructure to adhere to Act 150 & increases in Health Insurance costs.

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