

April 20, 2026

Good morning, school partners,

On 4/16/26 there are 36 households who are at risk of becoming homeless, and 70 households are literally homeless in Lamoille County. In total, there are 140 adults and 54 children who are at risk of or are currently experiencing literal homelessness in Lamoille County.

Sharing Priority

Become an EV Charging Site Host

- Federal funding will be awarded to pre-qualified providers to install EV charging equipment at locations that meet specific criteria.
- If you are a property owner and interested, please complete [this survey](#)

Business Funding

Double incentives for Business energy efficiency upgrades: For a limited time, businesses can double their custom incentive for energy efficiency projects.

- Up to an additional \$25k bonus for businesses, nonprofits, farm operations, and institutions that complete projects by November 2026.
- Whether you have a project in mind or you're not sure where to start, contact Efficiency Vermont: 888-921-5990

Funding for VT Farm, Food & Forestry Sectors

- VT Loggers & Foresters: Temporary Skidder Bridge Cost-share Grants: Check for eligibility and apply by Apr 30th.
 - [Temporary Wooden Skidder Bridges](#), Ten bridges available for a 10% cost share.
 - [Temporary Steel Skidder Bridges](#), Six heavy duty bridges available for a 75% cost-share.
- SLoCAMP Grant for Loggers - Deadline Extended! Grant offers significant cost share benefits for logging contractors working on harvest sites in Vermont.
 - Eligible practices include road hardening, skid trail improvements, and stream crossings.
 - [Learn more](#) and start your application.
 - Projects must be complete by Nov 30th.
 - \$224k in funding is still available!
- [Agriculture Grants: The VT Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets](#) maintains a website of grants, loans, and financial assistance that targets specific agricultural needs.

Community

Take Back the Night: an empowering event that brings survivors, supporters, activists, and community leaders together in a call to end sexual assault.

- 4/29
- Clothesline Project: visual representation of sexual assault in our community. Sexual assault survivors, and those affected by sexual assault, use words and/or artwork to decorate t-shirts which are then hung on a clothesline. Materials will be provided or you can bring your shirt on the 29th.
- 5–6pm: pre-event sign making at the Morrisville Oxbow Park
- 6pm: march up the street to the Union Bank gazebo. At the gazebo, hear from speakers and participate in the Clothesline
- More information: (802) 888-2584 ext. 103, email info@clarina.org

[Drawing Classes with Robert Waldo Brunelle JR](#) - Step into a focused, skill-building experience designed to strengthen your technical drawing skills and artistic confidence.

- May 16, 9am-12pm: Perspective & Architectural Drawing
- May 23, 9am-12pm: Portrait Drawing & Facial Structure
- River Arts in Morrisville
- Ages 16+
- Each class \$40 (\$75 for both)

[Morrisville Centennial Library May Events](#)

Adults/All Ages

- Adult D&D - 5/2, 11am - Join a new group for Dungeons and Dragons. Open to all level players.
- Veteran's Coffee Hour - 5/5, 10am - Enjoy conversation, coffee, and bagels. All are welcome.
- Out of the Cosmic Web - 5/5, 5:30pm - learn about structures in the universe that reach billions of light years in size and distance, ending with the Cosmic Web.
- Virtual Author Talk: Marjan Kamali - 5/7, 7pm - we will delve into the timeless wonder of her New York Times bestselling novel, *The Lion Women of Tehran*.
- Herbal Favorites for Topical Use Workshop- 5/9, 11am - Learn about oils, salves, liniments, and soaks, for skin health, sore muscles, relaxation, and more. Sign-up required.
- Magic the Gathering Meet-up - 5/9 & 5/23, 11am - specifically the Format Commander.
- Morristown Community Conversation - 5/9, 9am - A chance to come together — face to face with your neighbors — to share ideas, ask questions, and imagine the kind of town we want to live in.
- Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Vivienne Ming - 5/12, 2pm - a timely conversation on AI and humanity with “mad scientist” Dr. Vivienne Ming as we discuss her new book, *Robot-Proof: When Machines Have All the Answers, Build Better People*.
- Vermont's History 250th Trivia - 5/16, 11am - Sign up required
- Virtual Author Talk: Nir Eyal - 5/19, 2pm - What if the only thing standing between you and the seemingly impossible...was belief? This is the question posed by bestselling author Nir Eyal in his new work, *Beyond Belief*.
- Puzzle Competition - 5/23, 11am - Compete against teams to complete a 300 piece puzzle. Singles can register to be placed on a team. All ages welcome. Sign-up required.
- Aging & Substance Use - 5/27, 12pm - Learn more about how your body's reaction to substances changes with aging

Youth

- Big Kids Storytime - 5/7, 3:30pm - A special storytime for elementary school students.
- Fish Painting Craft - 5/14, 3:30pm - No sign-up required. Learn about Gyotaku, the historical practice of "fish printing" and tying it to species diversity in the Lake Champlain Basin with rubber models of fish species! Will be messy!

Tweens & Teens

- Babysitting Class -. 5/6, 5/13, 5/19 (Tues) & 5/27, 5pm - Sign up to learn skills and gain confidence to be a babysitter. Ages 12+.
- Teen Afterhours Karaoke - 5/8, 5:15-6:30pm - Arrive by 5:15. For ages 12+.

Resources

United Way Resources:

- [United Way Resource Page](#)
- [Lamoille County Food Resources](#)

- [Vermont 211](#)
- *Lamoille Area Recovery Network (LeARN)* is available to support flood survivors with recovery resources: learn@uwlamaille.org, 802-888-3252
- [Flooding Resources](#): All other resources previously sent can be found here



What is WCC and what is this email?

WCC stands for Working Communities Challenge, a three-year grant from the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston to support collaborative work to remove systemic barriers to employment. United Way of Lamoille County is the backbone partner in the [Lamoille WCC](#), with 24 core partners participating.

Knowing what is going on helps people join the economy, so please share the sharing priority and the rest of the information in this newsletter.

- This newsletter goes out weekly to approximately 600 area leaders. The language is often exactly or close to what organizations use in order to convey what they want shared. It may not be in quotation marks for simplicity, but it is the language of the contributing organization.
- The [United Way of Lamoille County resource page](#) is continually updated with local and state information.

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