

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services Town Report Summary 2022

NEKYS has been offering vital supportive services for youth and families since 1975. In 2022 NEKYS served 503 individuals throughout Caledonia and Essex Counties. NEKYS served 23 individuals in Concord during 2022.

NEKYS Family Programs Provide:

- Staff is available 24 hours/7 days a week to support youth, families, and individuals.

- Supportive counseling for youth and families, case management, support for youth and families within their schools and family mediation.

- Summer Central Scholarship program offering scholarships for children to attend summer activities they otherwise could not afford.

NEKYS Youth Programs Include:

- Staff is available 24 hours/7 days a week to support youth, families, and individuals.

- Support to local young people ages 15-22 that are homeless or at risk of homelessness; have current or past involvement with foster care; are pregnant and/or parenting; experiencing mental health issues; struggling with substance abuse; have current or past involvement with the criminal justice system.

- Programs that utilize a positive youth development, trauma-informed approach that is tailored to meet the needs of young people. Encouragement for each young person to identify their strengths and achieve goals related to housing, education, employment, and life skills.

- Access to short-term and long-term housing support that addresses the complex needs of young adults who are 18 – 22 years old. Young adults receive support which include in-home case management, rental assistance, landlord mediation, job skill development and educational advancement support.

Northeast Kingdom Youth Services is a private, non-profit agency governed by a community-based volunteer Board of Directors. We rely on grants, contracts, donations and appropriations from the towns we serve to continue our mission. Thank you for supporting families in our community. Please call our office at 748-8732 if you have any questions.