



As one of 15 Parent Child Centers in Vermont, The Family Place operates a variety of programs designed to promote strong, resilient families and nurturing, high quality early experiences for children.

The Family Place staff includes early childhood educators, child development specialists, parent educators, a nurse, a child and family therapy team, home visitors and case managers. We offer meaningful, timely support in families' homes, at our center, or in other settings where families are comfortable.

Families come through our doors for many different reasons. Sometimes, it's to make connections with other families through playgroups or events. Often, it's for assistance finding or paying for childcare. Sometimes, it's because someone recognizes that a child is behind in meeting developmental milestones or has special medical needs. Other parents engage with us for support in meeting education or employment goals, or to enhance their parenting skills. The Family Place partners with families to identify all the potential areas for support and connect them with the resources that are most appropriate for their circumstances and goals. We collaborate with local agencies and providers, working together to create a more effective fabric of support for families.

The Family Place served 84 children and 55 parents/caregivers from Thetford last year, through both on-site and home-based services, including providing early intervention services to 4 children, home visiting to 5 children, and therapy services to 7 children. In addition, 63 children from Thetford were provided with support applying for childcare financial assistance funds.

We could not do this vital work without the partnership of the Thetford community. The challenges facing families have become increasingly complex. We are keenly aware of the importance of the early childhood years and the barriers to healthy outcomes for children. Together, we can help our communities thrive.

For more information, please view our website at the-family-place.org or call (802) 649-3268.

Thank you for your support!

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