

Recovery & Job Access Transportation

Increasing access to transportation

Division of Substance Use Programs

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The Vermont Department of Health, Division of Substance Use Programs (DSU) has partnered with the Agency of Transportation to increase access to transportation for Vermonters with substance use disorder (SUD).

What is the goal?

The goal of the Recovery and Job Access Transportation Program is to provide Vermonters in recovery from SUD access to transportation to and from group meetings, recovery centers, and job access such as training, interviews, or initial commutes to jobs for trips that are not eligible under conventional funding sources like Medicaid.

What do the data indicate?

Between September 2019 to June 2024, a total of 12,309 trips were provided to Vermonters in recovery from SUD.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Transportation provided to Vermonters in recovery.
- Supports trips to recovery centers and job training, interviews, and initial commutes.

12,309 Trips Provided

How is this administered?

Transportation is by local transportation brokers in conjunction with stakeholders such as recovery centers and employers.

Oversight and monitoring activities, include, but are not limited to:

- Convening stakeholder sessions to monitor the program; session participants include transportation providers, recovery centers and treatment organizations.
- Adhering to an eligibility roadmap to determine who qualifies for the program.
- Refining referral documents and process.
- Determining the types of transportation such as gas cards, volunteer rides and fixed route.
- Generating awareness of the program through marketing and outreach.
- Ongoing staff training.
- Data tracking, analysis and reporting.

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