



**The Family Place –
where parents,
professionals, and
families turn when
children and
families are in
need...**



Then... and **Now**



Founded in 1985 by a group of concerned community members, The Family Place has grown over the past 30 years – from a small storefront in White River Junction to this Victorian on Taft Avenue, to our current three-building campus on Route 5 in Norwich, with rented office space in downtown White River Junction for three additional staff.

Recent Renovations – We've enjoyed tremendous growth and support – our third capital campaign wrapped up in 2012! Donor-supported finishing touches included a beautiful paved driveway, raised garden beds, and paved parking lot.



The garden beds provide great opportunities for children in our childcare to explore - and for our kitchen worksite to grow herbs, fruits, and vegetables to blend into delicious meals.



The Mission of The Family Place guides our work at every level:

The Family Place delivers comprehensive programs designed to strengthen positive relationships, teach essential skills, and promote enduring healthy growth for families with young children in the Upper Valley and surrounding areas.





We know from brain science that 90% of a child's brain is formed by age 5 and that strong relationships and healthy environments are crucial in the early years.

We support families so they can provide a strong start for their children.

The needs of young families in the Upper Valley continue to grow and change. We support families through parent education, case management, prevention efforts and early interventions and support.



Safe Babies – A *NEW* Pilot Program



As many of you are aware, Vermont has been struggling with an opiate epidemic. One group that is feeling the effects of the epidemic is infants and young children who are being placed in state custody in alarming numbers. The Safe Babies program has grown in response to this need and aims to reduce the amount of time that very young children are in state custody. We are partnering with Easter Seals and VT's DCF to provide evidence-based mental health counseling for the new Safe Babies program in this area.



TWO *New* evidence-based Home Visiting Models will soon be part of our programming.



Home visiting has always been integral to the work at TFP. We know that working with families in their homes provides a safe, comfortable environment for children and parents to learn and thrive. MECSH and PAT (Parents as Teachers) are two new evidence-based programs that will allow our CIS team to continue this important work with research to guide our practice and support positive outcomes.





Collaborating with



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Thank you to our individual, business, church, and foundation partners for your continued advocacy and support!



***The Staff and Board
of The Family Place***

Join Us at Our Events!



Our April Policy Luncheon and December Gingerbread Festival are terrific annual community events!



Lend us your skills



It takes
a
village!



In Special Recognition



Memorial Gifts and
Running Teams –
what incredible,
generous ways to
support our work
with children and
families!



Tours and Ongoing Advocacy



First Thursday tours (4 p.m. each month) highlight our advocacy, our programs, and our tremendous passion for our work!

Call to RSVP for your personal tour!



With your help, we make a difference!

