

Milton Family Community Center Annual Report

July 1, 2024 — June 30, 2025



Celebrating
40
YEARS
1985-2025



A message from Nicole Sener, Executive Director



"Change may not always bring growth, but there is no growth without change."

The last 12 months at the Center have been ripe with not only our own changes, but also reflective of the community and nation-wide changes happening for us all. Times like these remind me how incredibly powerful **COMMUNITY** can be in ensuring our individual and collective **RESILIENCE**. We celebrated this monumental year with a 40-year birthday celebration kicking-off our first ever community dinner, and through serving over 500 households – an all time high in unduplicated families served. This year was also pivotal in less visible ways for the family center, having included deep reflective work to understand how we remain **ADAPTABLE** to community changes. This included a deep dive into program quality review using the National Family Standards assessment, restructuring and piloting new things like a parent support group series, Baby Steps, and more. We also made hard decisions, like temporarily closing our preschool room, and we have taken the time to learn, grow, and ensure those decisions lead to better services in our years ahead. Every step of the way, input and opportunities to **EMPOWER** community and caregiver voices has stayed top of mind. THANK YOU for how you've influenced and shaped where we go from here.

My call to action for the year ahead is to pass forward moments of kindness & **COMPASSION**, and continue to partner with MFCC in bringing kindness to others. We can overcome the challenges ahead of us, if we keep **CCARE*** in the forefront and overcome the hardships we face together.

In community,
Nicole



*MFCC's values are Compassion, Community, Adaptability, Resilience, and Empowerment (CCARE). These values drive our team, mission and how we approach our work.

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**different families
served between
July 1, 2024 -
June 30, 2025**

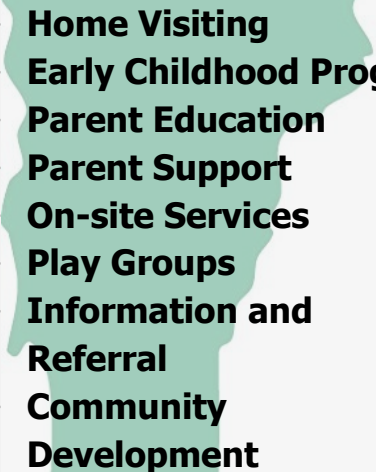
Our Core Values:

Community
Compassion
Adaptability
Resilience
Empowerment
(or CCAREs for short)



MFCC is a proud member of the Vermont Parent Child Center (PCC) Network

The PCC Network consist of 15 different centers around the state of Vermont are committed to providing the following 8 core services:

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- Home Visiting
 - Early Childhood Program
 - Parent Education
 - Parent Support
 - On-site Services
 - Play Groups
 - Information and Referral
 - Community Development



On International Human Rights Day 2024 (December 10th), we celebrated our Community Outreach Manager, **Ben Gilbert**, who was honored by the Town of Milton for his work in securing food access in our community. The 2024 theme of “Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now” speaks to the practical solutions he has championed for Miltonians this year.

Congratulations, Ben! We’re glad to have you on our team.

Our Mission

Milton Family Community Center’s mission is to build strong communities by empowering individuals and families through innovative, quality services.

The ability of MFCC to support so many children, families, and vulnerable individuals, was made possible through the generous support from the community in the form of volunteer help, coordination between like-minded organizations, donations, and business sponsorships. Thanks to all for their caring and generosity!

Thank you!

Below are just a few of the many organizations we partner with...

- Hannaford Supermarket
- Madeline’s Bakery
- Dollar General
- Costco Wholesale
- Lakelife Nutrition
- Kinney Drugs
- Smith Drug
- UVM Medical Center
- New Life Christian Church
- Department of Children and Families
- Howard Center
- Milton Public Library
- Milton Town School District
- Lucy’s House for the Prevention of Homeless Animals
- Colchester Milton Rotary
- Vermont Foodbank
- Colchester Lions Club
- M&T Bank

MFCC: Service by the Numbers

1103 Individuals experienced food insecurity requiring food from the MFCC Emergency Food Shelf, 381 were under the age of 18 and 124 were senior citizens.

79 School Age Children received a new backpack filled with back-to-school supplies through the MFCC School Supply Drive.

210 Coats found a home for Vermont's cold winter through our Coat Drive, in partnership with Cornerstone Community Church.

221 Families were able to have enough food to feed their family and celebrate Thanksgiving through the MFCC Thanksgiving Food Drive.

282 Children from 120 families were able to receive gifts for the holiday through the MFCC Adopt-A-Family program.

53 Families received diapers through our diaper bank

94 Welcome Baby Bags handed out. These bags are filled with information for new parents and some gifts for the new child.

13 Families received 1-on-1 support through our Home Visiting Program

110 Playgroups were offered. With a total of 112 children (ages 0-5) and 99 caregivers came.

36 Children ages 6 weeks - 5 years attended our full day/full year Early Childcare Program (ECP).

88 Children in grades K-6th attended our Milton After School Program (MASK).

"I just want to reach out and say how much I appreciate you all for setting up Christmas [Holiday Helper] and Thanksgiving help for those in need. Myself and my oldest daughter got help for the holidays through you guys. I really just wanted to thank you all so much! [I just want to say] how grateful we are and how happy our kids will be on Christmas morning. MFCC you guys are truly amazing, I've never dealt with such kind and caring people until I came across MFCC. You truly are saviors for many of us and we greatly appreciate each

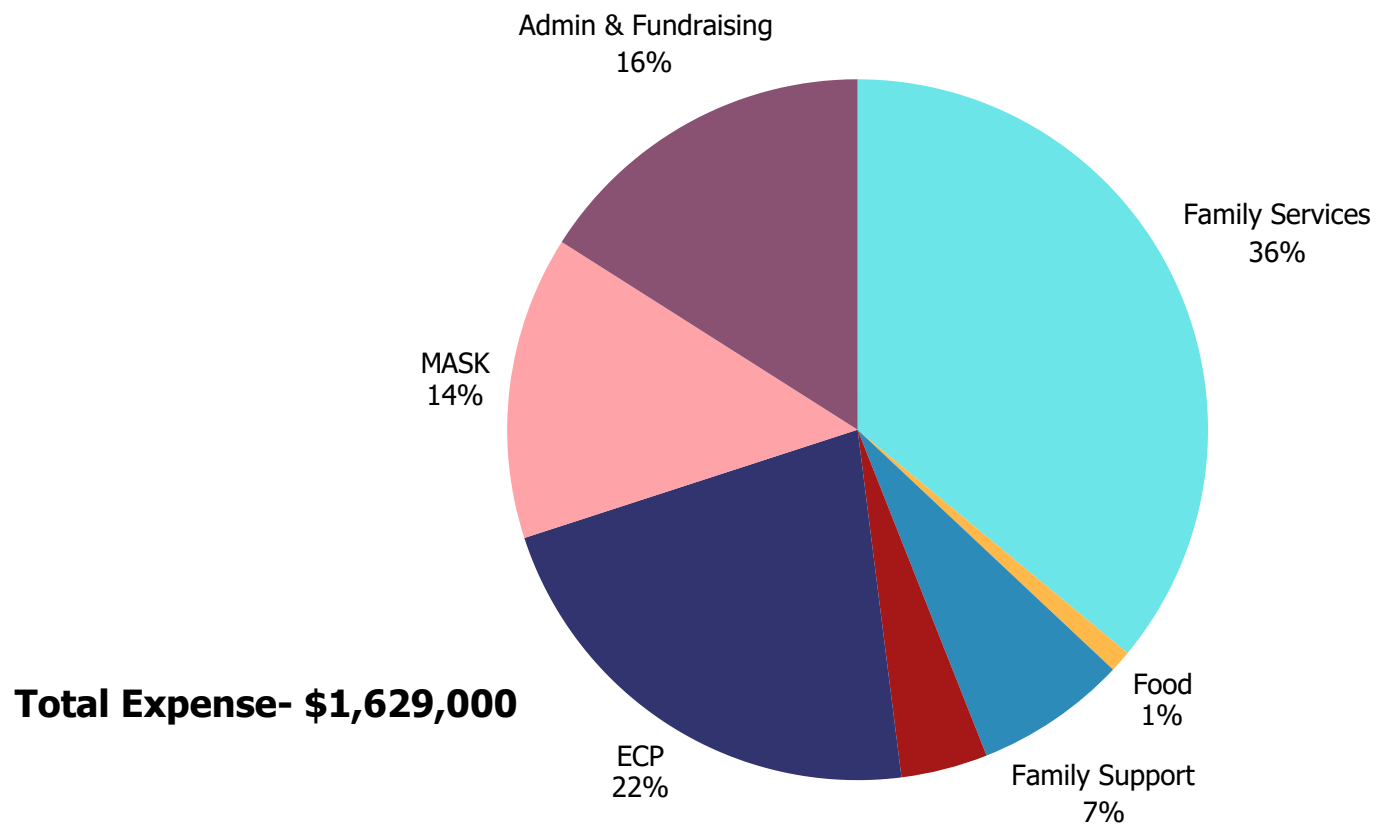
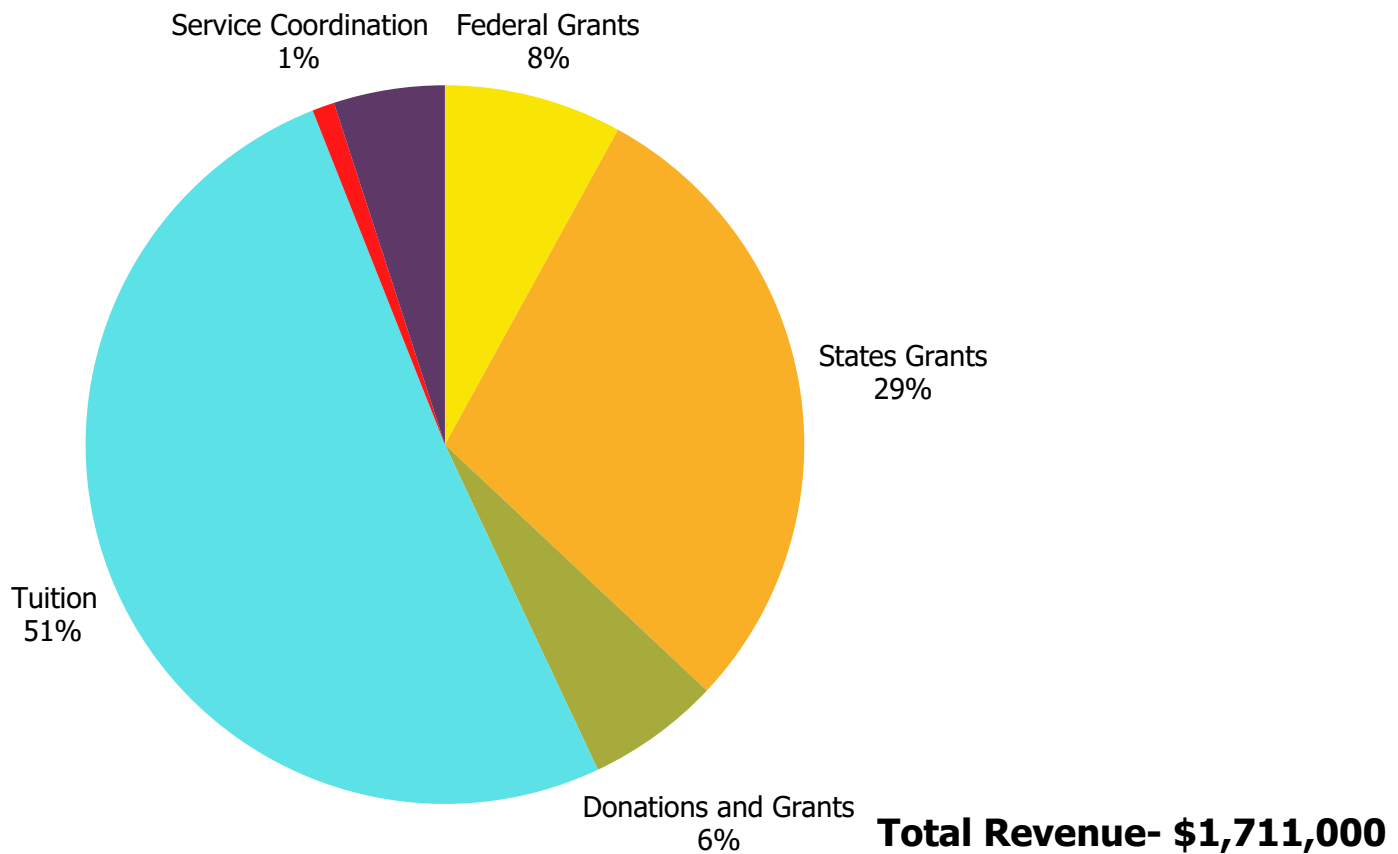
and every one of you. Thanks again and happy holidays"
A participant of our Holiday Helper and Thanksgiving Package.

Keeping Milton Warm
FREE WINTER COATS

Friday October 25th 5:30 to 7:30 pm
Saturday, October 26th 9 am to Noon



Financial Snapshot of 2024-2025



Supporting the Family Center Here's How to Help

Donate Funds

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Send checks (made out to Milton Family Community Center) to PO Box 619, Milton, VT, 05468.

Donate Goods

We are always accepting unopened, unexpired, non-homemade nonperishable foods to supplement the Emergency Food Shelf. And more depending on the need of our community. Call the front office to check if we need your items: 802-893-1457



Become a partner in community outreach & advocacy

Contact Nicole Sener for more information
Email: nsener@miltonfamilycenter.org
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Join the Board of Directors

Contact Nicole Sener about joining the MFCC Board!
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Volunteer



Do you want to join our team of 18 dedicated volunteer?
Contact MFCC about volunteer opportunities!
Email: mfcc@miltonfamilycenter.org
Phone: 802-893-1457

Be an E-Mentor

Do you want to make a difference in a child's life, consider being a mentor!
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**Thank you for a wonderful year.
Here's to many more to come!**



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