

## **Umbrella**

Umbrella is a private, nonprofit organization serving Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont. In pursuit of our mission, we offer supportive programming in four areas: the Advocacy Program, Kingdom Child Care Connection, The family Room, and Cornucopia project. All programs offer direct services to individuals and work with the community on long term solutions.

### **Kingdom Child Care Connection:**

Kingdom Child Care Connection at Umbrella Child Care Support Services supports and assists families with their child care needs in a variety of methods. The Child Care Program consists of four components: Child Care Financial Assistant Program Eligibility, Child Care Referral Services, Community Outreach and the Child Care Resource Development Program.

### **Advocacy Program:**

Umbrella's Advocacy Program is dedicated to supporting individuals victimized by domestic and/or sexual violence and their children. The program promotes social change through education and actions that develop resources and collaboration within and across communities to end domestic and sexual violence and the underlying social tolerance that perpetuates it. Umbrella Advocates provide direct service for victims and survivors of sexual violence, stalking, teen dating violence, and support for the non-offending caregiver of children who have been victimized, and domestic violence. We also offer preventive education programs that we can cater to a specific need. We will work with anyone regardless of race, age, sex, religion, disability and sexual orientation.

### **The Family Room:**

The Family Room Supervised Visitation & Monitored Exchange Center provides a safe, positive environment for children to exercise their right to the best possible relationship with both parents.

### **Cornucopia Project:**

Cornucopia is a 16-week job skills training program for women in transition with a focus on cooking, nutrition and hospitality. Training is integrated into the daily operations of a functioning food service business, producing hundreds of meals each week for the Newport-area Meals on Wheels program in addition to a weekly senior meal site.

To Find More Information on their programs go to: <http://www.umbrellanek.org/index.htm>