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**Laraway Appoints Coordinator for its Hardwick Office**

Zachary Key, a Case Manager at Laraway Youth & Family Services, has been appointed Site Coordinator of the agency's new Backpack Program Office in Hardwick. Backpack provides public school based behavioral supports, serving clients from 16 sending schools in Lamoille and Caledonia Counties. Key also oversees Backpack's new Tier Two services which focus on prevention.

"We are excited to be able to enhance supports in Caledonia County through our satellite office in Hardwick," said Sarah Squirrell, Backpack Director.

Laraway responds to the needs of at-risk kids and their families by offering innovative, strength-based services through alternative education, therapeutic foster care, and public school based support programs.

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