AGENCY OF COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SECRETARY Mike Schirling DEPUTY SECRETARY Ted Brady

Overview

SECRETARY

Mike Schirling

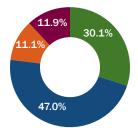
DEPUTY SECRETARY Ted Brady

STAFF: 83



FY 2019

Total Budget: \$33,172,768



- \$9,970,832Department of EconomicDevelopment
- \$15,590,575
 Department of Housing and Community Development
- \$3,666,982Department of Tourism and Marketing
- \$3,944,379 Administration

FY 2017 MAJOR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

STAFF: 19



\$2.6 M

General Fund Appropriation



\$133 M

Total Capital Investment Supported



773

Jobs Created



2,237

Vermont Employees Approved for Training



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Businesses Served

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

STAFF: 34



\$2.6 M

General Fund Appropriation



\$13.9 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$165 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



7,680

Housing Units Created or Preserved

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND MARKETING

STAFF: 15



\$3.1 M

General Fund Appropriation



\$3.6 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$3.4 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



83.2 M

People Reached

ADMINISTRATION

STAFF: 15



\$3.2 M

General Fund Appropriation



\$7.7 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$2.2 M

Other Funds Leveraged



82,017

People Reached

AGENCY TOTAL

STAFF: 83

\$31.5 M

PROGRAM DOLLARS INVESTED

\$303.6 M

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

1,708

BUSINESSES SERVED

1,623

JOBS CREATED OR RETAINED

7,680

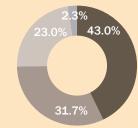
HOUSING UNITS CREATED OR PRESERVED

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION
\$14.3 M

BUDGET 33,172,768

\$33,172,768 83 STAFF



- \$14,264,250 General Funds
- \$10,530,056 Federal Funds
- \$7,617,106 Special Funds
- \$761,356 All Other Funds



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Joan Goldstein

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Brett Long

STAFF: 19



SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$133 M

TOTAL CAPITAL **INVESTMENT** SUPPORTED

1,700

BUSINESSES **SERVED**

2,237 **EMPLOYEES** APPROVED FOR **TRAINING**

773 JOBS CREATED

FY 2017 MAJOR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

VERMONT TRAINING PROGRAM

Funding available to employers to defray a portion of the expenses of training personnel. Can be vendor training or on the job.



\$1.3 M General Fund Appropriation



Total Businesses Served



2.237 **Vermont Employees** Approved for Training



3.9% Median Wage Increase

VERMONT EMPLOYMENT GROWTH INCENTIVE

Performance-based cash incentive (not a tax credit) paid to approved companies for prospective job and payroll creation in any region of the state and in almost any sector.



\$118.271 General Fund Appropriation



\$97 M **Projected Capital** Expenditures



Number of Projected **Business Expansions**



773 Jobs Created (2015, latest audited figure)



\$3.8 M

Net Tax Revenue (since TIF inception, 2016)

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

TIF Districts are a public infrastructure financing tool for municipalities to encourage public and private real property development or redevelopment.



\$118.271 General Fund Appropriation



\$49.6 M Incremental Property Tax Revenue (since TIF inception, 2016)



\$138 M Value of Infrastructure Financed (since TIF inception, 2016)



NEW INITIATIVES

\$1.515.000

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$4.6 M

BUDGET

\$9.970.832

19 STAFF

27.9%

\$4,563,197

\$2,782,285

\$2.625.350

General Funds

Federal Funds

Special Funds

45.8%

Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) Federal Award [VT will be the fiscal agent for a 6 state consortium]

PROCUREMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

Team of 7 located throughout the state to help businesses secure contracts from local, state, and federal government.



\$730.906 Federal Funds and General **Fund Appropriation**



\$197 M Total Dollar Value of

Contracts Assisted Counseling



1456 **Businesses Receiving**



1010 Number of Contracts Won

CAPTIVE INSURANCE

Market to global businesses to domicile their captive insurance company in Vermont.



\$550.351 Special Funds



\$26.4 M

Total Fees and Taxes Received



24 Number of **New Captives Formed**



1113 **Total Number of Captives** Domiciled in Vermont



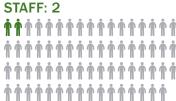
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VERMONT ECONOMIC PROGRESS COUNCIL

Casey Mock



PRIVATE INVESTMENT TO DATE (TIF & VEGI)

\$84.2 M

NET NEW REVENUE

+2.997

AMOUNT BY WHICH VEGI JOBS CREATED EXCEEDS APPLICANT PROJECTIONS TO DATE

VERMONT ECONOMIC PROGRESS COUNCIL (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

THROUGH 2015

Actual data through 2015. Data is reported on a 2-year lag: claims for 2015 were filed with tax in April 2016 and reported to VEPC in 2017. Later in 2018, we will have access to 2016 data.



\$34.6 M

Net new revenue to the state, total



\$332.7 M

Qualifying direct new payroll, total



5.523

Qualifying direct new jobs, total



\$771.6 M

Qualifying direct capital investment, total

PROJECTIONS 2016-2022

Projections are based on applicant projections, and recent actuals have generally exceeded projections by a significant margin.



\$1.8 M

Net new revenue to the state, annual average



\$7.9 M

Qualifying direct new payroll, annual average



1,262

Qualifying direct new jobs, total



\$50.3 M

Qualifying direct capital investment, annual average

TO DATE

Figures for all TIFs from inception through 2016.



\$49.6 M

Total incremental revenue



\$2 M

Net incremental revenue to education fund



\$138 M

Value of infrastructure funded



\$370 M

Private dollars invested

> TIF Districts are a public infrastructure financing tool for municipalities to encourage public and private real property

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$254,507

BUDGET

\$269.507

2 STAFF

94.4%

\$254,507 General Funds

\$15,000 Special Funds

The Vermont Economic Progress

Council serves as an approval

and authorization body for the

VEGI and TIF programs.

VEGI: Performance-based cash incentive (not a tax credit)

paid to approved companies

for prospective job and payroll

creation in any region of the state

and in almost any sector.

. \$. development or redevelopment.

AGENCY OF COMMERCE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PROJECTIONS

Figures for all TIFs from 2016 through 2036.



\$344 M

Total incremental revenue



\$56.6 M

Net incremental revenue to education fund



\$192 M

Value of infrastructure funded



\$362 M

Private dollars invested

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





SUMMARY

\$18.8 M

VEGI DISBURSEMENTS (2007 - 2015)

\$909.6 M

TO DATE (TIF & VEGI)

COMMISSIONER

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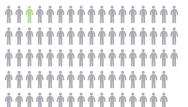
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Brett Long

DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Ian Davis

STAFF: 1



SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

"THE GOLD STANDARD"

37

YEAR HISTORY OF CAPTIVE INSURANCE

\$504 M

TAXES & FEES **COLLECTED SINCE 1981**

19

APPROVED VERMONT CAPTIVE MANAGEMENT FIRMS

CAPTIVE INSURANCE (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

2017 BY THE NUMBERS



Captives Licensed



566

Active Captives



1.112

Licensed Captives



\$26.5 M

Total Taxes and Fees Received (2016)

ACCOLADES



U.S. Domicile

3rd

Largest Domicile in the World



5x U.S. Domicile of the Year



Non-E.U. Domicile of the Year

VERMONT'S CAPTIVES BY THE NUMBERS



\$202 B

Assets Under Management



\$32.5 B

Gross Written Premiums



45

of the Fortune 100



15

of the Dow 30

MARKETING ACTIVITIES



25+

Speaking Engagements and Events Attended



5.000+

VT Captive Subscribers



Business Development Road Shows



1,000,000+

Reach of Vermont Report

FY 2019

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION \$0

BUDGET

\$530.350 1 STAFF



\$530,350 Special Funds

FINANCIAL SERVICES (CAPTIVE INSURANCE)

Promotes Vermont's leading position as the top U.S. domicile for captive insurance and seeks out new and diversified opportunities in complimentary Financial Services industries.



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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER Brett Long

DIRECTOR, WORKFORCE **DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

(VERMONT TRAINING PROGRAM)

John Young

STAFF: 1.5

SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

56 TOTAL BUSINESSES **SERVED**

\$1.7 M

TOTAL TRAINING **DOLLARS GRANTED**

FOR TRAINING

2,237 **VERMONT EMPLOYEES APPROVED**

VERMONT TRAINING PROGRAM (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

FY17 OVERVIEW



\$1.3 M General Fund Appropriation



56 **Total Businesses** Served



2,237 **Vermont Employees**

Approved for Training



3.9% Median Wage Increase



\$778.16

Average Cost Per Employee

VERMONT REGIONS SERVED TOTAL GRANT DOLLARS



\$693,094 Northwest



\$194,961 Northeast



\$308,886 Central



\$136.870

Southwest



\$406,953

Southeast

REGIONS SERVED NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES APPROVED FOR TRAINING

VERMONT



1,052

Employees Approved for Training (Northwest)



445

Employees Approved for Training (Northeast)



161

Employees Approved for Training (Central)



206

Employees Approved for Training (Southwest)



373

Employees Approved for Training (Southeast)

EMPLOYER SIZE SERVED



of Employers Served with 0-49 Employees



16

Employers Served with 0-19 Employees



14

Employers Served with | Employers Served with | 20-49 Employees



50-99 Employees



19

Employers Served with 100+ Employees

FY 2019

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION \$1.4 M

BUDGET

\$1.383.511 1.5 STAFF



- \$175,770 General Funds [operational]
- \$1,207,741 **General Funds** [grant]

VERMONT TRAINING PROGRAM (VTP)

VTP partners with employers and training providers to train Vermont's employees for the jobs of tomorrow.

VTP provides performance based workforce grants for: preemployment training, training for new hires and incumbent workers. Training can either be on-site or through a training provider/vendor. Grants may cover up to 50% of the training cost.



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Brett Long

STAFF: 7.5



REPRESENTATIVE SUCCESSES

BROWNFIELDS

Recent project include redevelopment of City Market (South End, Burlington) and Richmond Creamery

OEA

Provided in-depth training and ISO training to defense-related businesses

STEP

Helped to cover the costs of 28 businesses attending Exportech training

NBRC

Funded the creation of a new mobile phone app for Vermont Brewers Association

WCEDP

Helped to fund the redevelopment of a new facility for Chroma Technology in Bellows Falls

GRANT PROGRAMS AND BUSINESS SUPPORT (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

BROWNFIELDS INITIATIVE

Funding provided by US EPA to support redevelopment of brownfields into productive community assets. Funds are provided as either grants to non-profits or low-interest loans to for-profit entities.



Award Funds Secured

from EPA (to date)

\$4.8 M \$4

\$4.2 M
Award Funds
Encumbered (to date)

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\$67.3 M

Redevelopment Dollars Leveraged (to date)



Property Clean-ups
Complete



4

Property Clean-ups Underway

OEA

Funding provided by US Department of Defense through its Office of Economic Adjustment to help defense-related businesses develop new capabilities to help them weather defense spending downturns.



\$386,000Total Grant Amount



Businesses Approached



Companies Served to Date

STEP

Funding provided by US Small Business Administration to help businesses win more opportunities to export. Data reported for the period 9/30/14 – 9/29/17.



186Businesses Assisted



\$2.8 M Actual Export Sales Reported



\$24.2 M

Export Sales Projected



\$547,728 Federal Award

> \$1,718,164 Pass-through Grants

\$878,850

General Funds

Federal Funds

Special Funds

\$2,326,439

\$2.080.000

FY 2019
GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$878,850

BUDGET

\$7.003.453

7.5 STAFF

12.5%

33.2%

Grant Programs bring various reources to foster economic development around the state.

NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION

Grant funds available to non-profits in Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille and Orleans counties for primarily infrastructure projects. Data reported for 2010–2017.



1,396Projected Jobs
Created or Retained



\$7.4 MFederal Dollars
Invested



\$1.1 B
Private Dollars
Invested



102

Communities Assisted

WINDHAM COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Grants and loans using 5-year funding provided through the Entergy / State of Vermont MOU to promote economic development in Windham County.

Data reported for calendar year 2017.



\$2.5 M
Program Dollars
Invested



\$1.3 M Loans and Grants Obligated



Jobs Created



Businesses
Directly Impacted



COMMISSIONER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Joan Goldstein

COMMISSIONER OF TOURISM AND MARKETING Wendy Knight

CHIEF MARKETING OFFICERHeather Pelham

THINK VERMONT PROJECT MANAGER

Elaine Sopchak



WHAT IS THINK VERMONT?

ThinkVermont is a three-year marketing initiative to tell the story of Vermont in a variety of ways to attract and retain people and businesses to the state.

ThinkVermont.com is a new web platform designed to encourage out-of-staters to move to Vermont or open a business here. Its themes—Live, Grow, Work, and Play—showcase the many resources and assets that make living in Vermont special. Key industries like IT, manufacturing, healthcare, and outdoor recreation are featured alongside major regional employers, funding opportunities, and job search resources.

THINK VERMONT

SOCIAL MEDIA



Increase in Website Traffic September to December 2017



100

Number of Newsroom Posts to Date (as of 1/9/18)



8,911

Social Media Engagements to Date from 3,226 followers



219

Increase in Social Media Engagement Sept. to Dec. 2017

AMBASSADORS



444

ThinkVermont Ambassadors, Reaching 302,393 People



986

Number of Posts Shared to Social Media Networks by ThinkVermont Ambassadors



#1 post

"Vermont: The Napa Valley of Beer," seen by 7,370 people and shared or liked 490 times

EARNED MEDIA



27

Number of Media Articles Published in Print, Online, and on Broadcast TV (15 in Vermont, 12 Nationally)



99.4 M

Total Impressions



\$568,707

Advertising Dollar Equivalency of National Earned Media Achieved

EVENT SERIES



100 +

Attendees at ThinkVermont's First Innovation Spaces Conference (October 2017)



2017 Topics

Tech Transfer, Internet of Things, Rural Economic Development



<u> 12</u>

Events planned for 2018

WHAT'S NEXT?

VERMONT ASSET MAP

An interactive map layered with resources to help guide potential Vermonters as they consider relocating their families and/or businesses.

EXPERIENCEvt

A tool for employers to post experiential learning opportunities (internships, job shadows, guest lectures, etc) and connect with professional service providers who can match students with the opportunities.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Events delivered statewide on relevant topics like angel investing, small business innovation research grants, cybersecurity, women in tech, and more.



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Josh Hanford

STAFF: 34



SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$13.9 M

PROGRAM DOLLARS **INVESTED**

\$165 M

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

628,035

PERSONS REACHED

801

JOBS CREATED OR RETAINED

7,680 HOUSING UNITS CREATED OR PRESERVED

FY 2017 MAJOR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Administers annual federal allocation of approximately \$7M in Community Development Block Grants through a statewide competitive grant program addressing local needs in the areas of housing, economic development, public infrastructure and services.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND REVITALIZATION:

DOWNTOWN AND VILLAGE

The tax incentives support new

CENTER TAX CREDITS

construction and encourage

buildings safe and accessible.



\$7 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$87 M

Total Dollars Leveraged

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\$53 M

Total Dollars Leveraged

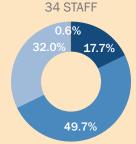


8.514



317

Created or Preserved



FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$2.8 M

BUDGET

\$15.590.575

- \$2,760,297 General Funds
- \$7,747,771 Federal Funds
- \$4.991.756 Special Funds
- \$90,751 All Other Funds

HISTORIC PRESERVATION:

REHABILITATION INVESTMENT (A.K.A. HISTORIC) TAX CREDITS

investments to make older and historic

VDHP is dedicated to identifying, preserving, and interpreting historic resources on behalf of the citizens of the state and promoting them as significant components of our communities.



\$2.4 M

Program Dollars

Invested

\$1.8 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$11.8 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



128,000

Vermonters Reached

(Population of Communities

with Tax Credit Projects)

Vermonters Reached



65

Housing Units Created or Preserved

NEW INITIATIVES

\$100.000

Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative (VOREC) Pilot Initiative

\$100.000

Better Connections: Comprehensive Storm Water Management Strategies - Clean Water Fund



HOUSING: MOBILE HOME PARK PROGRAM

Coordinates state housing policy through the VT Housing Council and **HUD Consolidated Plan. Administers** the statutory requirements of the Mobile Home Park Program and administers the VT Charitable Housing Tax Credit.



\$70.000

Program Dollars Invested



\$144,261

Total Dollars Leveraged



15.675

Vermonters Reached (2.2 Persons per Household per Unit Preserved)



7,125

Housing Units Preserved

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER



Vermonters Served

Housing Units



173

Housing Units Created or Preserved

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SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$7 M

PROGRAM DOLLARS **INVESTED**

\$87 M

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

8.514

PERSONS SERVED

269

JOBS CREATED OR RETAINED

317 HOUSING UNITS CREATED OR PRESERVED

VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING **GRANTS**

Provides communities with funding to address affordable housing needs including new construction, rehabilitation, preservation, homeownership, multi-family rental and mobile home parks.



\$4.4 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$45 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



697

Vermonters Served (2.2 Persons per Household Assisted)



317

Housing Units Created or Preserved

85.9%

\$410,390 **General Funds**

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$410,390

BUDGET

\$7.569.990

7 STAFF

- \$6,506,373 Federal Funds
 - \$653.227 Special Funds

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Provides communities with funding to address economic development projects resulting in job creation and retention primarily benefiting low and moderate income residents.



\$1.6 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$40 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



269

Jobs Created (50) and Retained (219)



7.548

Vermonters Served (Persons Benefiting from Improved Facilities)



Businesses Assisted

Communities Served

PUBLIC FACILITY AND SERVICE GRANTS

Provides communities with funding to address infrastructure, health and safety, public access and public services needs primarily benefiting low and moderate income residents.



\$613.926

Program Dollars Invested



\$128,355

Total Dollars

Leveraged

\$1.6 M



48.308



Communities Served

PLANNING GRANTS

Provides communities with funding to address planning needs in one or more of the VCDP areas of eligibilityhousing, economic development, public facilities and services.



\$174,476

Program Dollars Invested



Vermonters Reached



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SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$3.3 M

PROGRAM DOLLARS
INVESTED

\$64.3 M

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

536,179 PERSONS SERVED

290

JOBS CREATED OR RETAINED

173
HOUSING UNITS CREATED
OR PRESERVED

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND REVITALIZATION (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

DOWNTOWN AND VILLAGE CENTER TAX CREDITS

The tax incentives support new construction and encourage investments to make older and historic buildings safe and accessible.



\$2.4 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$53 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



128,000

Vermonters Reached



173

Housing Units
Created or Preserved

DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION FUND

The Downtown Transportation Fund improves sidewalks and other public spaces and stimulates private investment



\$335,000

Program Dollars Invested



\$11.3 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



42,660

Vermonters Reached



5

Communities Served

DOWNTOWN PROGRAM

The Downtown Program provides communities with financial incentives, training and technical assistance supporting local efforts to encourage economic development.



\$135,000

Program Dollars Invested



\$41.6 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



227,299

Vermonters Reached



290

Net New Jobs Created

MUNICIPAL PLANNING GRANTS

Municipal Planning Grants support local planning and community revitalization initiatives that build strong communities and improve Vermonters' quality of life.



\$443,456

Program Dollars Invested



\$58,291

Total Dollars Leveraged



138,220

Vermonters Reached



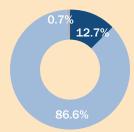
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Communities Served

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION \$563,306

FY 2019

BUDGET \$7,419,171 5 STAFF



- \$563,306 General Funds
- \$3,825,865 Special Funds
- \$30,000 Other Funds



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STAFF: 22



SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$3.5 M PROGRAM DOLLARS

INVESTED

\$13.6 M

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

67,667PERSONS SERVED

242

JOBS CREATED OR RETAINED

65
HOUSING UNITS CREATED
OR PRESERVED

HISTORIC PRESERVATION (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

REHABILITATION INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS

The largest federal program supporting preservation, Historic Tax Credits generate jobs, enhance property values, create affordable housing and are the most effective program to promote preservation and community development.



\$1.8 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$11.8 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



143

Vermonters Reached (65 Units of Housing Created or Preserved)



242

Jobs Created or Retained



FY 2019
GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$1,052,983

BUDGET

\$2,415,114

22 STAFF

- \$1,052,983 General Funds
- \$714,989 Federal Funds
- \$586,391 Special Funds
- \$60,751 Other Funds

CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAMS

Provided through the Capital Construction Budget, grants provide funds for preservation of municipal buildings, historic agricultural buildings, and open the underwater preserves in Lake Champlain.



\$430,000

Program Dollars Invested



\$1.3 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



2,234

Vermonters Reached



Communities Served

STATE-OWNED HISTORIC SITES

The Historic Sites Program encourages the discovery and appreciation of the state's rich heritage through the stewardship and interpretation of historic sites that evoke an authentic sense of time and place.



\$1.3 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$496,390

Total Dollars Leveraged



65,290

Annual Number of Visitors at State-owned Historic Sites



84

Buildings Owned or Stewarded

PROJECT REVIEW

VDHP has a team of 5 reviewing a project's potential impacts to historic buildings, districts, landscapes, and archaeological resources. Reviews are required for projects involving federal funding (Section 106), state involvement (22VSA chap 14), and Certificates of Public Good.



275

Act 250 Projects Reviewed



101

Solar, Wind and Energy Projects Reviewed



96%

Projects Reviews
Completed within 30-day
Statutory Deadline



1,793

Project Applications Cleared



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Wendy Knight

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Steve Cook

STAFF: 15



SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

13 M

AVERAGE ANNUAL VISITORS

\$2.6 B
ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$3.6 M PROGRAM DOLLARS INVESTED

\$3.4 M TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

83.2 M
PEOPLE REACHED

FY 2017 MAJOR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

SALES AND MARKETING

Coordinate strategic direct advertising campaigns to promote Vermont as a top year-round tourism destination. Develop, produce and purchase advertising media, develop and promote owned media and engage in all forms of digital marketing. Co-promotion and co-sponsorship with private sector partners. Travel trade relations include participation in domestic and international trade shows and sales missions.



\$2.5 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$988,989

Total Dollars Leveraged (Spending by Visitors to Vermont)



57.4 N

People Reached (Advertising Impressions)

COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH

Coordinate internal and external communications, public outreach, earned media and media relations, and maintain relationships among statewide and regional tourism, outdoor recreation, agriculture, arts and cultural heritage partners. Track visitor demographics, interests, activities, spending and economic impact for use in marketing strategies and policy decisions.



\$385,725

Program Dollars Invested



\$1.5 M

Total Dollars Leveraged



25.5 M

People Reached (Media Impressions)

VERMONT LIFE

Promote and enhance the iconic Vermont brand that attracts visitors, second homeowners, and potential residents and workers to the State. Assets include a top-quality print magazine, website, email newsletter, social media channels and merchandise that honor, explain and promote the State of Vermont, its people, industries, attractions, landscapes, and cultural heritage.



\$732,368

Program Dollars Invested



\$976,192

Total Dollars Leveraged



250,962

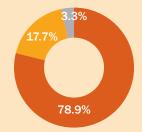
People Reached (Subscribers, Newstand, Advertisers, Readers, Email Subscribers, Unique Site Visitors, Customers)

FY 2019

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION \$3.0 M

BUDGET

\$3,666,982 15 STAFF



- \$2,894,497 General Funds [operational]
- \$650,605 Other Funds [Vermont Life]
- \$121,880 Pass-through grants

NEW INITIATIVES

Fully-funded budget and projected surplus for Vermont Life.



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Steve Cook

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SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$2.5 M

PROGRAM DOLLARS **INVESTED**

\$988,989

TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

57.4 M PEOPLE REACHED

SALES AND MARKETING (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

SALES

Interaction with consumers at special events and consumer travel shows highlight Vermont as a vacation destination in a way that other promotional mediums cannot.



\$401,110

Program Dollars Invested



\$12,500

Total Dollars Leveraged (Tradeshow Partners)



1.6 M

People Reached (Consumer Interactions)

People Reached (Advertising Impressions)



\$2,461,962 General Funds

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATION

\$2.5 M

BUDGET

\$2,461,962

6 STAFF

100.0%

PAID ADVERTISING

The Department's advertising strategy includes a combination of digital, native, digital radio, print and outdoor advertising. The call to action on all advertising campaigns direct consumers to www. VermontVacation.com



\$2.0 M

Program Dollars Invested



\$843,250

Total Dollars Leveraged

HERITAGE AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

Outdoor recreation plays a role in Vermont's cultural heritage and many of our tourism assets that showcase heritage and history incorporate nearby recreational opportunities.



\$56,203

Program Dollars Invested



\$86,739

Total Dollars Leveraged



2.7 M

People Reached (Impressions)

WEB AND EMAIL MARKETING

The state's official tourism website offers a device agnostic experience to consumers who are planning their trip to Vermont. Website and email marketing are key components to Vermont's advertising strategy.



\$50,900

Program Dollars Invested



\$46,500

Total Dollars Leveraged



684,434

People Reached (Unique Site Visitors and **Email Subscribers**)



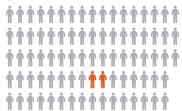
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COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING

VDTM uses social media channels such as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to provide an interactive experience that enables Vermont fans to share and comment, and recommend locations, attractions and events that encourage vacation planning.



\$96,431

Program Dollars Invested



\$266,849

Total Dollars Leveraged (Advertising Value)



22.8 N

People Reached (Social Media Impressions)

SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$385,725 PROGRAM DOLLARS INVESTED

\$1.5 M TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

25.5 M
PEOPLE REACHED

EARNED MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Through ongoing press release distributions and PR efforts, VDTM helps generate substantial media converge of Vermont in national and regional publications.



\$212,149

Program Dollars Invested



\$1.2 M

Total Dollars Leveraged (Publicity Value)



2.6 M

People Reached (Media Impressions)

MEDIA INFLUENCER FAMILIARIZATION TRIPS

VDTM partners with Vermont lodging properties to offer comped Vermont visits for journalists and social media influencers. In turn, writers produce articles and influencers and generate social media posts.



\$77,145

Program Dollars Invested



\$9,480

Total Dollars Leveraged



171,100

People Reached (Social Media Engagement)



FY 2019





100.0%

\$432,535 General Funds



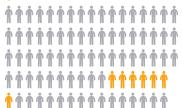
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CIRCULATION

Vermont Life magazine publishes four quarterly issues. The publishing component comprises of the production of each issue which included editorial content, printing and distribution.

VERMONT LIFE (FY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS)



\$386,983

Program Dollars Invested



\$413,635

Total Dollars Leveraged



50.021

People Reached (Subscribers and Newstand)

SUMMARY OF FY 2017 IMPACTS

\$732,368 PROGRAM DOLLARS **INVESTED**

\$976,192 TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED

250,962 PERSONS SERVED

ADVERTISING

Vermont Life magazine is an enterprise that depends on advertising revenue to fund the operation. The Vermont Life magazine advertising program is focused on generating advertising revenue for the enterprise.



\$120,970

Program Dollars Invested



\$329,584

Total Dollars Leveraged (Advertising Revenue)



198,578

People Reached (Advertisers, Readers, Email Subscribers, Unique Site Visitors)

MERCHANDISE

Vermont Life magazine has a catalog of products that it retails and wholesales. Vermont Life magazine depends on product sales to maintain it's operating budget.



\$224,415

Program Dollars Invested



\$232,973

Total Dollars Leveraged



2.363

People Reached (Customers)

FY 2019

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION \$0



7 STAFF



\$650,605 Other Funds





Administration

SECRETARY

Mike Schirling

DEPUTY SECRETARY

Ted Brady

STAFF: 15



FY 2017 MAJOR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

CHIEF MARKETING OFFICE

The Chief Marketing Office provides strategic marketing and communications expertise, tactical planning support and centralized creative services across state government.



\$221.557 Program Dollars



\$358.725 Market Rate of Creative Services Provided



\$1.9 M

Values of Master Marketing Contracts Used



Number of Staff in 29 Depts/Programs Supported



444

Digital Ambassadors Reaching 302,393 People

THINK VERMONT

ThinkVermont.com showcases the many resources and assets that make living in Vermont special to encourage out-of-staters to move here, or to open a business here.

VERMONT CENTER FOR

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Empowering Vermonters (in and out of

state government) with geospatial info

and tools for understanding our world

and making data driven decisions.



Invested

\$58.082 Program Dollars Invested



2.831 Average Monthly Visitors; 6.500+ News Posts Views



8.911

A TOWN

77.000

Users of the Vermont Open Geodata Portal



45%

Increase in Geodata Portal Users over 2016

WINDHAM COUNTY **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

Grants and loans using 5-year funding provided through the Entergy / State of Vermont MOU to promote economic development in Windham County



\$673,604

Program Dollars

Invested

\$2.5 M Program Dollars Invested



980

Data Sets Available in

Geodata Portal

\$1.3 M Loans and Grants Obligated



49 Jobs Created



Businesses Directly Impacted

CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

Legal services, contract services and administration of legislatively mandated grants to the Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund, Vermont Council on Rural **Development and State Data Center**



\$588.794 Program Dollars

Invested



170 Total Grants and Contracts Executed



1,598 Vermonters Reached by **Partners**



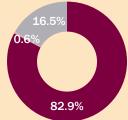
\$2.2 M Other Funds Leveraged

APPROPRIATION \$3.9 M

FY 2019 GENERAL FUND

BUDGET

\$3.944.379 15 STAFF



- \$3,271,752 **General Funds** [operational]
- \$20,000 Other Funds
- \$652,627 Pass-through grants

NEW INITIATIVES

Decrease in Staffing, 13 positions total

VCGI (6), IT (6), DHCD (1) **Total Agency Staffing** now equals 83.

\$400,000

ThinkVermont Growth and Innovation Initiative

