



# Resilience Implementation Strategy Kick-Off

**Welcome! We invite you to share in the chat:**

- your name,
- your town of residence,
- any affiliation you'd like to mention, and
- what climate stressors are you most concerned about?

# Why do we need a vision?

A vision represents a shared expression of aspirations and values developed with community input to guide future decisions.

A vision will help guide the development of the Resilience Implementation Strategy through:

- Capturing how Vermonters define climate resilience
- Capturing which climate vulnerabilities place the greatest stress on Vermonters
- Describing what a climate resilient Vermont looks like in the future
- Guiding the criteria used to prioritize gaps and measures



# We are not starting from scratch

Building off:

- Resilient Vermont Project, 2013
  - Climate Action Plan, 2021
  - Comprehensive Energy Plan, 2021
  - State Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2023
- and more!



Volunteers clean up a downtown parking area on the banks of the Winooski River, July 12, 2023 (AP Photo/Charles Krupa)

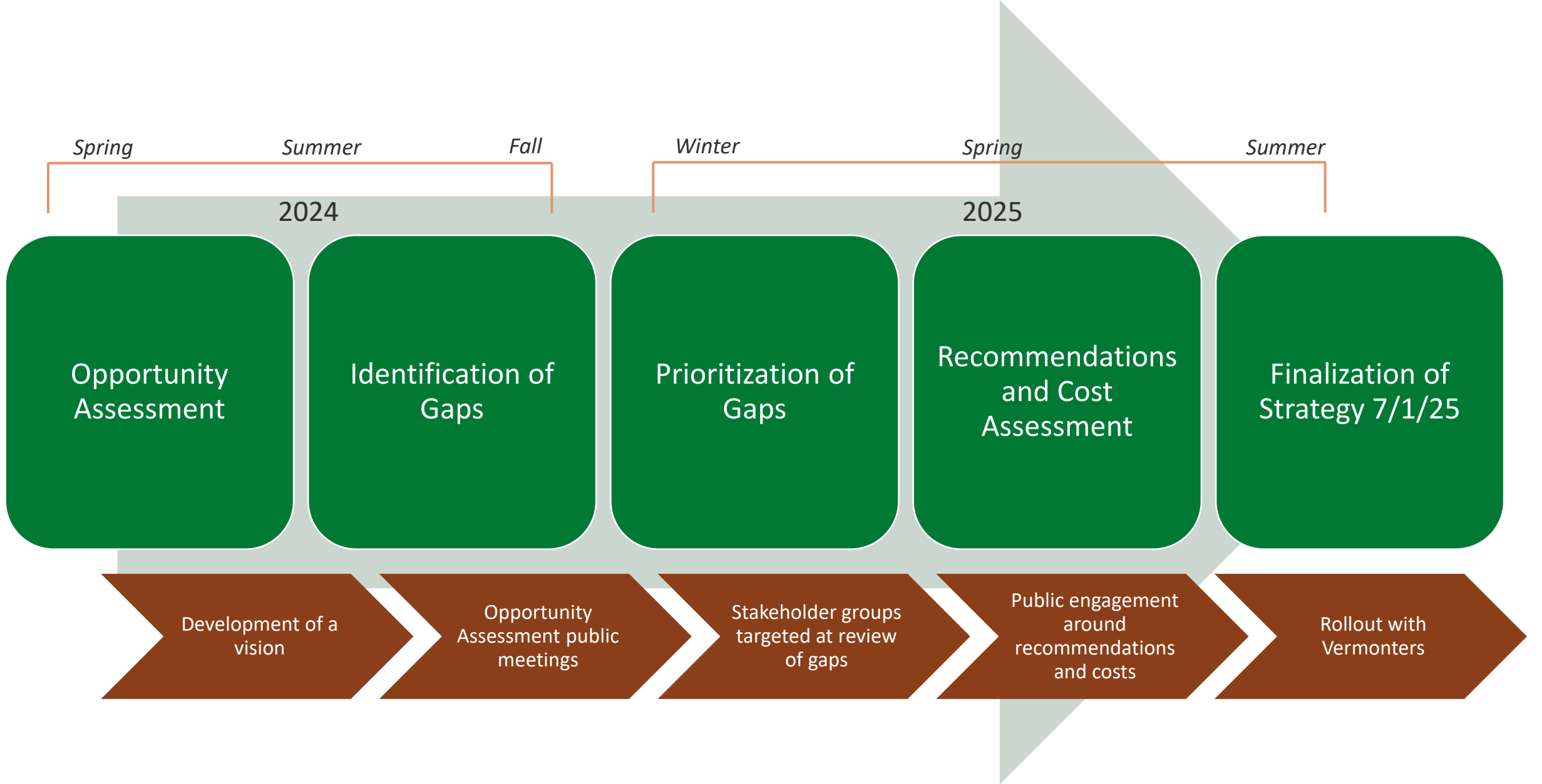
# A resilient Vermont:

A resilient Vermont is better prepared for and able to more effectively manage and bounce back from natural disasters and climate-related shocks, and the risks they pose to our economy, environment, and social well-being.

A resilient Vermont focuses on both proactively reducing our vulnerabilities and improving our response and recovery, to ensure that we are continually strengthening our resilience.

We must be resilient at every level – from individual residents, households, and businesses and neighborhoods, to the entire community and state. There is a shared sense of responsibility for resilience at every level and across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors.

Vermont's Roadmap to Resilience - 2013



# Next Steps

Learn about future engagement opportunities:

- Sign up for the Climate Action Office's newsletter
- [www.climatechange.vermont.gov/calendar](http://www.climatechange.vermont.gov/calendar)

Share your climate resilience conversations with us!