WARNING

The legal voters of the **Town of Enosburgh**, Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Enosburgh Fire Station on the evening of March 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm, for the purpose of discussing the budget items. This is an informational meeting only, voting will take place Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 10-7 at the Enosburgh Fire Station

Polling Time and Place

March 4, 2025, vote by Australian ballot at the Enosburgh Fire Station – 83 Sampsonville Road Enosburg Falls, Vermont

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following Town Officers:

Moderator for one year

One selectperson for two years

One selectperson for three years

Three members Town Forest committee for one year term

Three library trustees for five-year terms

ARTICLE 2: To see if the voters will appropriate the following sums of money:

- a. \$ 1,000.00 to the American Legion Post #42
- b. \$ 1,000.00 to the Enosburgh Town Band
- c. \$ 1,000.00 to the Enosburgh Conservation Committee
- d. \$ 2,500.00 to the Enosburgh Food Shelf
- e. \$ 2,000.00 to the Enosburgh Historical Society

ARTICLE 3: To see if the voters will appropriate the following sums of money.

- a. \$ 1,000.00 to Franklin/Grand Isle Restorative Justice Center
- b. \$ 5,840.00 to VNA of the Southwest Region
- c. \$ 1,000.00 to Northwest Unit for Special Investigations
- d. \$ 1,000.00 to Franklin County Industrial Development Corp.
- e. \$ 500.00 to Missisquoi River Basin Association
- f. \$ 500.00 to AgeWell
- g. \$ 150.00 to Green Up Vermont
- h. \$ 1,000.00 to Cat Crusaders of Franklin County
- i. \$ 100.00 to Vermont Rural Fire Protection Tast Force

ARTICLE 6: Will the legal voters of the Town of Enosburgh authorize the selectboard to spend an estimated \$1,547,880.53 of which \$1,068,077.16 will be raised by taxes for the General Fund?

ROAD DISTRICT-TOWN OF ENOSBURGH

Shall the legal voters of the Town of Enosburgh Road District vote to approve the proposed budget in the amount of \$1,155,110.00 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the road district fund of which \$745,539.93 will be raised by taxes.

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH SELECTBOARD

Dear Enosburgh Voters,

This year in Enosburgh we saw what a community can do when we all make an effort on a common goal, this is truly representative of our community playground. When the Recreation Department started this project, we had no idea what an outpouring of support they would see all around this community, not just Enosburgh, but from all over both Franklin and Chittenden Counties. It is a remarkable playground; we encourage you all to check it out. We also have the same group of people to thank for our new dog park, along with Cate Bennett, a young member of our community who saw a need and did so much work to garner the funds needed, a big thank you to you all!

Again, this year we must discuss the policing situation. Enosburgh is not exempt from the crisis this country faces with addiction, stealing, and general problems that require attention from a police force. As thankful as we are for the coverage provided by the Vermont State Police, as they do an amazing job, the board feels that the town needs to become proactive and form our own service. It is an investment in Enosburgh's safety and future. This will not be an easy task, but we feel with community support we will be able to create a force that will serve us and in time perhaps other communities.

As we plan for this year, we would like you to know that the move to the armory is still in the works. We have been delayed through a series of issues with a separate town project that had to be stored in our facility, but we are optimistic things will be moved, and the armory will open as the town office.

The town is the recipient of a Municipal Energy Resiliency Program grant which is in the amount of \$426,734.00. This grant requires no matching funds from the Town. The grant will allow for new and upgraded HVAC systems, improving overall building envelopes and insulation, and aiding with ADA requirements. The grant will serve our Emergency Services Building, Library, Opera House, and Armory. The work will start this coming spring and must be completed by the end of 2026.

We are very proud of all the town departments, Enosburgh Public Library, Enosburgh Ambulance, Enosburgh Fire Department, Enosburgh Highway Department, Enosburgh Recreation and the Enosburgh Town Offices. The selectboard appreciates all members of these departments and the many boards and the public who support their efforts.

Kind Regards,

The Town of Enosburgh Selectboard

SELECTMEN'S BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2025

PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET:

REVENUE \$479,803.37

EXPENSES \$1,547,880.53

PROPOSED AMOUNT TO BE RAISED

BY TAXES \$1,068,077.16

APPROXIMATE RATE PENDING ANY ADJUSTMENTS AT TOWN MEETING .49

2024 General fund tax rate was .46

PROPOSED HIGHWAY BUDGET:

REVENUE \$409,570.07

EXPENSES \$1,155,110.00

PROPOSED AMOUNT TO BE RAISED

BY TAXES \$745,539.93

APPROXIMATE RATE PENDING ANY ADJUSTMENTS AT TOWN MEETING .62

2024 Highway tax rate .60

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH GRAND LIST VALUES AS OF 12/31/2024

RATEABLE PROPERTY VALUES OUTSIDE

VILLAGE LIMITS: \$1,197,123.00

RATEABLE PROPERTY VALUES IN VILLAGE: \$ 999,027.00

TOTAL RATEABLE PROPERTY: \$2,183,670.00

PLEASE NOTE VALUES LISTED ABOVE ARE WHAT ARE USED TO DETERMINE TAX RATES WHEN TAX BILLS ARE ISSUED. THESE VALUES WILL BE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT WHEN TAX BILLS ARE ISSUED FOR 2024 THE VALUES CHANGE BECAUSE THE CLA (COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL) IS CONSTANTLY FLUCTUATING.

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

TREASURER

TOWN CLERK

Pat Hayes 2025

Billie Jo Draper 2027

Billie Jo Draper 2027

SELECTBOARD

Dean Wright 2026

Jessica Eagles 2027

Philip Robtoy 2025

Larry Gervais 2026-Chair

Pierre Letourneau 2025-Vice Chair

FIRE WARDEN - Joey Clark

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CHAIRMAN - Pierre Letourneau

HEALTH OFFICER – Sandra Murphy

TOWN ZONING ADMINISTRATOR - Jesse Woods

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Eliza Weed - 2029 Kelee Maddox 2025

Alan Stirt 2025 – Linda Depatie – 2025 – Carol Guillmette – 2026

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Sarah Downes
David Gervais
Paul Hatch
Pauline Loiselle
Sandy Murphy

Lucien Robtoy Robert J. Young Tim Stetson Angela Wright Mike Manahan

PLANNING COMMISSION-APPOINTED

Shaleigh Draper – Chair Patrick Hayes – Vice Chair Kellee Reichenbach Maddox Steve Comeau Landon Bonk Eli Gabuzda

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD-APPOINTED

Patrick Hayes - Chair Steve Comeau Shaleigh Draper Eli Gabuzda Landon Bonk

CONSERVATION COMMISSION-APPOINTED

Sarah Downes-Chair Wendy Scott Ben Maddox – Vice Chair Diane Leary – Treasurer Dennis Williams Alex Smith - Secretary Charlotte Bill

FOREST COMMITTEE

Sarah Downes Ben Maddox Dennis Williams

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Katherine Bennett Tami Lantz Chelsey Lawyer Allison McAllister Heather Olivett Steve Wadsworth Deveney Wolfe

GENERAL FUND			
STATEMENT OF REVENUE			
STATEMENT OF REVENUE	2024	2024	2025
	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
GENERAL FUND REVENUE	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
General Fund Taxes	\$990,713.38		
Delinquent Taxes, Int. & Fees	\$240,000.00	\$235,222.47	\$220,000.00
State Treas- Equilization Fund	\$1,370.00	\$1,368.00	\$1,370.00
State Treas-Equilization Tund State Treas-Hold Harmless Payment	\$71,000.00		\$71,000.00
State Treas-State Owned Property	\$3,700.00	\$4,002.00	\$4,000.00
Beer Licenses	\$1,500.00	\$1,575.00	\$1,500.00
Dog Licenses	\$850.00	\$680.00	\$700.00
Recording & Office Fees	\$45,000.00	\$55,032.56	\$55,000.00
Zoning Fees & Fines	\$17,000.00	\$10,899.65	\$17,000.00
Ambulance Rent	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Grants	\$20,000.00	\$12,336.00	\$0.00
Misc.sales/int./reimb.	\$2,000.00	\$2,158.68	\$2,000.00
Traffic fines	\$2,500.00	\$1,454.50	\$2,000.00
	\$5,000.00	\$1,454.50	
Amb. Loan payment			\$5,000.00
Beginning Bal.	\$67,259.38	\$67,259.38	\$100,233.37
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$1,477,892.76	\$1,330,343.56	\$1,547,880.53
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TOWN OF ENOSBURGH, VE GENERAL FUND	RMONI		
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	2024	2024	2025
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
ACCOUNTS:	EXPENSE	EXPENSE	EXPENSE
TOWN SALARIES	\$349,518.85	\$349,146.75	\$360,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$26,738.19		\$29,200.00
TOWN OFFICE SUPPLIES & EQUIP	\$15,000.00		\$15,000.00
TOWN BLDGS UTILITIES & GEN EXP	\$70,000.00		\$72,000.00
PRINTING, POSTAGE AND ADS	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
COMPUTER & OFFICE CONSULT	\$27,000.00	\$28,309.25	\$28,000.00
TOWN OFFICE COPIER LEASE	\$3,400.00	\$3,459.12	\$3,500.00
INTEREST EXPENSE	\$10,000.00	\$7,104.00	\$10,000.00
ANIMAL CONTROL	\$8,000.00	\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
ELECTIONS	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
VLCT DUES	\$4,952.00		\$5,100.00
NWSW MGMT. DIST.	\$3,653.00		\$3,653.00
LEGAL FEES	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
ENOSBURGH LIBRARY	\$31,350.00	\$31,350.00	\$32,450.00
GRAND LIST ASSESSOR WORK	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
INSURANCE,BLDGS,W.COMP, ETC.	\$52,000.00	\$52,984.65	\$60,000.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY TAX	\$22,333.57	\$22,333.57	\$22,267.66
NW REGIONAL PLANNING	\$3,400.00	\$3,357.00	\$3,400.00
TRANSFER TO ENOSBURGH REC.	\$58,385.39	\$58,385.39	\$64,000.00
TRANSFER TO FIRE DEPT.	\$185,000.00		\$185,000.00
MILEAGE AND TRAINING	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
POLICE	\$200,000.00		\$300,000.00
CEMETERIES	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
GRANT/ECON.	\$5,000.00	+	\$10,000.00
AMBULANCE SVC. PER CAPITA	\$91,333.76	\$91,333.76	\$95,019.87
OPERA HOUSE	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
TOWN BLDGS REPAIR	\$200,000.00		\$150,000.00
APPROPRIATIONS	\$20,828.00		\$18,590.00
STATE OF VERMONT FEES	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00
TRANSFER TO HWY.	\$12,000.00		\$12,000.00
AUDIT EXPENSE	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
BANQUET/PROMOTIONS	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
PLANNING GRANT EXPENSE	\$17,500.00		\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,477,892.76	\$1,230,110.19	\$1,547,880.53

2024 Annual Report of the Zoning Administrator

In 2024, as in 2023 the housing market remains to be incredibly challenging. We continued to see above average prices, high interest rates, and limited inventory which have led to making home ownership difficult not only in our area, but statewide. The State has responded with a housing bill to ease some of the restrictions and delays associated with building in the higher density downtown/village center regions. We also continue to look for ways to make the permitting process easier and more efficient for everyone.

In the wake of those challenges our community remains strong and continues to gain. 2024 saw multiple existing residential rentals and single-family dwelling properties receive much needed updates and improvements. In addition to those improved properties, we continued to add over 11 family housing units to the area. The Zoning office issued over 60 permits, and over 60 certificates of compliance/occupation. We continue to work with numerous individuals and businesses to help expand their visions, goals and plans.

In 2024, our Development Review Board held 11 hearings regarding various forms of land development. These include subdivisions, site plan reviews, conditional use reviews and boundary line adjustments. The Development Review Board this year has filled all available seats with seven total members. These board members are made up of local community members from both the Town and Village.

The Planning Commission plans to wrap up the updated Village and Town bylaw, Zoning fee schedule and Zoning documents. This work will allow a more user-friendly document, and will simplify the process for projects such as two-lot subdivisions and boundary line adjustments. In April of 2022, we were awarded the Municipal Planning Grant to aid in the costs associated with this work. In addition to the Municipal Planning Grant, this Spring we were also awarded the NRPC Bylaw Modernization Grant to aid in developing and streamlining our housing bylaws to address the current housing crisis. The Planning Commission has filled all available seats with seven total members.

The Zoning Office is available to assist the public with any permitting or development questions. We are here to guide you through the application process, and if need be, the hearing process. However, we always recommend that you seek the advice of a professionally licensed engineer, land surveyor, etc. before beginning any development project you are unfamiliar with. Some examples of when you would need a permit are: Opening a business, erecting a sign, home business, demolishing a structure, constructing a new building, changing the use of a space, subdivision/boundary line adjustments, etc.

We suggest and encourage that our residents take part in our hearings and meetings. We want to know your concerns, ideas, and goals of our community. Our bylaws are the backbone of our community's strength and growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse Woods

Enosburgh Zoning Administrator

Enosburgh Community Recreation Committee Year Ending 2024



2024 proved to be a transformative year for Enosburgh Community Recreation.

The Town Selectboard approved to increase the Recreation Committee seats to seven and those seats were filled by the middle of the year. Committee members include Katherine Bennett, Tami Lantz, Chelsey Lawyer, Allison McAllister, Heather Olivett, Steve Wadsworth, and Deveney Wolfe.

Spring of 2024 brought new life to the Enosburgh Recreation fields with the installation of the Community Playground and Doggy Den Dog Park. The ECRC wants to once again thank every individual, business, and organization who supported these projects through their donations. We are incredibly proud to have had the opportunity to create these spaces for everyone to enjoy.

The ECRC was also excited to see through the installation of two outdoor murals, adding color and joy to community spaces. The murals were funded by the SPARK Connecting Communities Grant and were painted by Meghan Hernandez and Elizabeth Varney. You can find Meghan's skating themed mural at the Community Ice Rink and Elizabeth's handprint community tree at the Enosburgh Recreation fields.

Successful programs like Little Stingers sports and the Spring Color Run/Walk returned in 2024. We also continued our collaborative efforts such as the Summer Archery Clinic, hosted by Pelkey's Archery, SafeSitter Babysitting, taught by Nicole Draper of Swanton Recreation, and Wreath Making, taught by Robert and Lyle Willey.

The ECRC is committed to continuously building and improving our programs and events. Community members can expect many activities to return in 2025 and will soon learn about some new programs we are working on and excited to share! We appreciate and welcome community involvement. Please reach out to recdirector@enosburghvt.org if you have suggestions for new programming!

Stay informed through our Enosburgh Community Recreation Facebook page, on our website: enosburghyt.myrec.com, and at the Town of Enosburgh's website: enosburghyt.org/recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo Longway, Recreation Director





RECREATION	2024	2024	2025
INCOME			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
BALANCE FORWARD	\$16,746.26	\$16,746.26	\$9,131.09
TRANSFER FROM GEN.	\$58,385.39	\$58,385.39	\$64,000.00
GRANT	\$2,123.42	\$0.00	\$0.00
FIELD MNTCE REIMB.	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
MISSISQUOI RIVER BASIN GRANT	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
LOISELLES BOTTLE REDEMPTION	\$0.00	\$571.05	\$0.00
REIMBURSEMENT PORT O LET	\$436.00		\$814.00
REC EVENT	\$10,800.00		\$14,300.00
DOG PARK DONATIONS		\$5,010.00	\$0.00
SPONSORSHIP OF EVENTS	\$2,000.00		\$2,500.00
DONATION PORT O LET ICE RINK		\$100.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$93,911.07	\$102,347.70	\$93,745.09
EXPENSES			
MOWING/MNTCE/RENT	\$18,500.00	\$17,021.88	\$17,606.09
EVENT EXPENSE	\$12,500.00	\$15,312.00	\$16,000.00
DIRECTOR/STAFF	\$20,000.00	\$19,729.46	\$29,500.00
OFFICE/DIRECTOR EXPENSE	\$1,200.00	\$1,072.00	\$1,200.00
FIELD RENT - DAIRY CENTER	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00
PORT O LET	\$1,680.00	\$1,410.00	\$1,764.00
INSURANCE	\$1,012.00	\$1,012.00	\$1,345.00
GRANTS	\$2,123.42	\$1,910.00	\$0.00
PLAYGROUND NOT COVERED BY DON.		\$2,600.98	\$0.00
DOG PARK	\$10,200.00	\$18,938.72	\$0.00
MY REC SOFTWARE	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00
REC EXPENSES FOR NEW SPACE	\$15,965.65	\$3,876.57	\$8,400.00
FIELD REVITALIZATION	\$4,500.00	\$4,903.00	\$5,700.00
STAFF/COMMITTEE/VOL SHIRTS WATER CRAFT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00 \$6,500.00
COMPUTER	\$480.00	\$480.00	\$480.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$93,111.07	\$93,216.61	\$93,745.09
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND DONATIONS	\$83,016.51		
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND INVOICE	\$85,617.49		

Enosburgh Public Library Year-End Report, 2024

2024 was an exciting year at the Enosburgh Public Library, and the numbers below in the infographic show this very well. Without the support from the Enosburgh community, our library could not do all we do as the center of the community! We always love hearing from you about what we can do for you.

In 2024, the library staff wrote and received over \$20,000 in grants! One of these was to add a push button to our front door to make it more accessible. Unfortunately, we have had a difficult time finding a contractor to do the job, but we are still working on it. We received other smaller grants for numerous programs and activities, such as playgroup, Girls Steam Ahead with NASA, Paul Post Grant for young adult books, Ben & Jerry's grant to start a Community Read & Refuel Healthy Snack Station, and CLiF Summer Readers Program to name a few. In September we changed from TD Bank to People's Trust Co for our banking needs.

We want to thank the Enosburgh Lions Club for their donation of \$1,000, which allowed us to purchase five bicycles as grand prizes at our Summer Reading Program as well as numerous smaller prizes and gifts at Christmas time for our youth of the community. We are working with the Village of Enosburg on creating and setting up our Wind Phone this spring, which we are very excited about. We enjoyed collaborating with the school librarians in town, with Margo, the Enosburgh Rec Director, the Village of Enosburg, the Town of Enosburgh, and the Enosburgh Lions Club to bring numerous programs and activities to the community. We also want to thank People Trust Co. for the donation of \$2,500.

If you haven't been to the library lately, stop by to say hi and see all the wonderful additions and improvements! Thank you for your continued support!

Quick View of 2024



PROPOSED ENOSBURGH PUBLIC LIBRARY 2025 BUDGET

Assets as of 12/31/2024

People's Trust Checking \$53,558.53 People's Trust Maint. \$28,063.52 People's Trust CD (previously TD Savings)

People's Irust CD (previously ID. \$10,003.91 People's Trust CD (previously ME

People's Trust CD (previously MFS Investment) \$5,536.15 Vanguard/Bean Management \$15,728.28

Deposits as of 12/31/2024

Copies/Print/Fax \$2,004.50
Book Sales \$25.00
In Memory \$450.00

Town Appropriation 2024 \$31,350.00 Grants \$\$20.083.80 Donations \$5,990.00 Lost/Damaged Items \$451.38 Misc. \$2,651.85

	2024 Budget	2024 Expenses	2025 budget
Print/Ads	\$250.00	\$97.28	\$250.00
Equipment Maintenance/Repairs	\$700.00	0	\$700.00
Supplies	\$3,750.00	\$4,120.46	\$3,750.00
Books/Adult	\$7,000.00	\$6,874.80	\$7,000.00
Books/Children	\$5,250.00	\$5,496.07	\$5,250.00
Periodicals/Adult	\$500.00	\$293.45	\$500.00
Periodicals/Children	\$100.00	0	\$100.00
Audio/Visual	\$2,000.00	\$1,914.07	\$2,000.00
Programs/Adult	\$2,000.00	\$2,276.33	\$2,000.00
Programs/Children	\$2,400.00	\$2,908.93	\$2,400.00
Office Equipment	\$1,750.00	\$1,705.09	\$1,750.00
Training/Travel	\$1,200.00	\$1,306.74	\$1,200.00
Postage	\$1,500.00	\$1,098.13	\$1,500.00
Dues and Membership	\$2,000.00	\$2,280.04	\$2,500.00
Museum and Park Passes	\$800.00	\$396.00	\$1,400.00
Misc.	\$150.00	\$151.58	\$150.00
Non-Budget items	0	\$431.03	0
Sub-Total Budget Items	\$31,350.00	\$31,350.00	\$32,450.00
Building Maintenance			
Grant Income: \$	\$20,083		
Total Expenses			

FIRE DEPARTMENT			
EXPENSES:			
FIRE DEPARTMENT	2024	2024	2025
ACCOUNTS:	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
FIRE DEPT. SALARIES	\$45,000.00	\$44,797.33	\$48,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$3,500.00	\$3,624.10	\$4,100.00
TRAINING	\$1,000.00	\$1,305.00	\$1,000.00
OFFICE EXPENSE	\$600.00	\$125.00	\$600.00
TELEPHONE	\$500.00	\$505.00	\$500.00
DISPATCHING	\$12,000.00	\$12,070.33	\$13,200.00
INSURANCES	\$13,000.00	\$12,985.08	\$13,000.00
REPLACEMENT GEAR	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00
CABLEVISION	\$500.00	\$515.00	\$500.00
FUEL-ALL VEHICLES	\$2,800.00	\$2,894.00	\$3,000.00
EQUIPMENT/RADIO PURCHASE	\$10,000.00	\$4,219.12	\$10,000.00
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$15,730.05	\$14,004.26	\$16,000.00
EQUIPMENT REPAIR	\$6,000.00	\$4,663.57	\$6,000.00
VEH. REPLACEMENT FUND	\$15,000.00	\$34,422.26	\$55,600.00
COMPUTER MNTCE EXPENSE	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
GRANT EXPENSE	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
HME PAYMENT	\$45,869.95	\$45,869.95	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$185,000.00	\$185,000.00	\$185,000.00
FIRE TRUCK REPLACEMENT FU	ND BAL		
beginning 2020		\$72,617.92	
Donation - GFF 2020		\$750.00	
transfer from budget 2020		\$27,655.10	
transfer from budget 2021		\$3,000.00	
Donation - GFF 2021		\$750.00	
Donation - GFF 2022		\$750.00	
transfer from budget 2021		\$25,763.07	
transfer from budget 2022		\$27,839.58	
transfer from budget 2023		\$19,204.03	
Donation - GFF 2023		\$750.00	
transfer from budget 2024		\$34,422.26	
Dontation - GFF 2024		\$750.00	
		\$214,251.96	

Enosburgh Fire Department 83 SAMPSONVILLE ROAD ENOSBURG FALLS VERMONT 05450

802-933-4345 fire@enosburghvt.org

2 February 2025

Ref: YEAR END REPORT for 2024

Total calls for 2024 were 148

The Department continues training for the safety of firefighters, protection of the public and for property conservation. This past year firefighters have completed both in house training conducted weekly by department personnel and visiting trainers. The total training hours attended by volunteers in 2024 was 880 hours. The Enosburgh Fire Department has 5 certified personnel in Fire Fighter 2 and 11 certified for Fire Fighter 1. The Certification Training for Fire Fighter 1 and 2 consisted of 184 hours (FF 1) and 96 hours (FF 2) of formal classes and hands on training including trips to the Vermont Fire Academy for realistic live burn training. The goal is to have everyone at Firefighter 1 level.

For Informational purposes ONLY the trucks and the year of manufacture are included

8 Engine 1	2017 HME / Arens Fox	8 years old	(custom vehicle)
8 Engine 2	1995 Freightliner / E-One	30 years old	(commercial vehicle)
8 Rescue 1	2001 Freightliner / General	24 years old	(commercial vehicle)
8 Tanker 1	2006 Freightliner / 4 Guys	19 years old	(commercial vehicle)
8 Ladder 1	1991 Spartan / Smeal	35 years old	(custom vehicle)

As you can see from above, we have a couple of trucks that are 30 years old plus, the process of replacing this / these vehicles have begun and we hope to have information for the public and selectboard later this year. The department will keep the public informed in the process and will pass along information as it becomes available. 2024 was the last year for a payment on the 2017 Engine, I am hopeful that the department can set aside this payment and apply it to the truck replacement fund to help cut the cost of the new vehicle. The Department has been told a new fire truck can take anywhere from 2 plus years to arrive after an order has been submitted.

The Department can be found on Face book, just search Enosburgh Fire and our home page should be there. Pictures from this year's training events are posted along with other events. We will try and keep the public up to date on training and information from the fire department. I would like to know what the public would like to see on our page, feedback is appreciated. Our contact info is below.

The Department is currently experiencing a shortage of personnel especially during the day for calls. Our overall numbers are good but daytime people remain short and there are several people who are not very active. Volunteers are needed, it is not uncommon to have a structure fire and have 3,4,5 departments there because everyone is experiencing the same thing. At a structure fire about 20 to 25 people could be needed to fill all the need resources, depending if water needs to be hauled to the scene or if hydrants are available. Please contact the department if interested. We can find something for you to do, if not firefighting then in a support role.

Enosburgh Fire would like to thank the citizens for there continued support and if there is anything we can do for you please just ask.

fire@enosburghvt.org

"EMERGENCY 911"

933-4345 (Tuesday evenings only 7 to 9 pm)

Respectfully Submitted, Mark LaRose Fire Chief Enosburgh Fire Department

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH VERMONT			
AMBULANCE SERVICE			
INFORMATIONAL STATUS REPORT			
IN ORMATIONAL STATES RELIGIO	2024	2024	2025
AMBULANCE SERVICE REVENUES:	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Prior Year End Balance	\$9,052.90	\$9,052.90	\$1,399.39
Per Capita - Enosburgh	\$92,263.52	\$92,263.52	\$94,341.53
Per Capita - Bakersfield	\$40,947.48		
Per Capita - Berkshire	\$46,777.77	\$38,809.92	\$48,885.19
Per Capita - Montgomery	\$40,001.40	\$40,696.56	\$41,102.56
Per Capita - Franklin	\$42,414.58	\$45,007.52	\$43,677.33
Family Subscriptions	\$31,000.00	\$31,166.64	\$40,000.00
Business Subscriptions	\$3,000.00	\$2,145.00	\$3,000.00
Medicaid,medicare,pers.pymnt & ins.	\$604,478.24	\$683,282.75	\$757,181.14
Donations	\$1,500.00	\$2,325.00	
Memorials	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Intercepts	\$2,000.00	\$10,400.00	\$12,000.00
Reimbursement Supplies	\$0.00	\$ 1,437.94	\$ 2,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$914,935.89	\$993,997.79	\$1,088,952.92
AMBULANCE SERVICE EXPENSES:			
Salaries	\$563,705.00		\$ 650,051.43
Social Security	\$43,123.43		\$ 52,589.15
Health Insurance	\$67,955.40		\$ 87,186.43
Uniforms	\$5,000.00		\$ 2,000.00
Training	\$300.00		\$ 1,000.00
Office, Postage & Computer	\$14,500.00		\$ 10,000.00
Telephone/living quarters expenses	\$1,200.00		\$ 1,200.00
Dispatching	\$24,140.00		\$ 26,287.80
Insurances-Ambulances & Work. Comp.	\$32,102.00		\$ 64,335.13
Med. Supplies/equipment	\$30,000.00		\$ 30,000.00
Oxygen	\$1,000.00		\$ 1,500.00
Fuel-For Ambulances	\$21,000.00		\$ 22,000.00
Building Rent	\$10,000.00		\$ -
Comcast cable and internet	\$1,200.00		\$ 1,200.00
Maintenance supply & repairs to vehicles	\$10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
Radio's/& misc	\$5,000.00		\$ -
Ambulance Payment	\$27,162.80		\$ 61,685.77
Intercepts	\$2,400.00		\$ 2,400.00
Ambulance Billing	\$30,000.00	\$ 31,678.40	\$ 37,842.82
Amulance Replacement	\$4,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,399.39
Legal Costs/Settlement	\$2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00
Cardiac Monitor	\$0.00		\$ -
VT Provider Assesment Fee	\$14,147.26	\$ 14,147.26	\$ 19,275.00
Loan from general fund payment	\$5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$914,935.89		+
Calls	1300	1411	1500



Enosburgh Ambulance Service

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Enosburgh Ambulance Service 2024 Annual Report

Enosburgh Ambulance is a municipal, non-profit organization committed to serving the communities of Franklin County. Our mission is to enhance the health and safety of our residents by providing advanced life support services and lifesaving education. Over the past year, we have implemented several changes, including the addition of a second staffed ambulance unit operating seven days a week and the acquisition of a third ambulance. As call volume has increased substantially in recent years, we have expanded our staffing levels to ensure that an ambulance and crew are available to respond promptly. Below, you will find our call volume statistics along with a brief overview of key updates.

Total Calls 2024: 1,411 Total Calls 2023: 1,236 Total Calls 2022: 1,146

*Note: 19% increase in call volume since 2022 and 12% increase in call volume since 2023.

Staffing: The service is comprised of 6 Full-Time ALS Providers and 21 Part-Time EMS Providers, including 8 Paramedics, 7 AEMTs, and 12 BLS Providers. These dedicated professionals deliver exceptional patient care and are committed to serving our community. To address the growing call volume, Unit 2 is consistently staffed seven days a week. Additionally, 24/7 Advanced Life Support coverage is provided to ensure continuous, high-quality emergency medical services.

Equipment: The service has expanded its fleet with the acquisition of a third ambulance, featuring a Demers Van-style chassis, now integrated into our rotation. This addition enhances our ability to provide more interfacility and long-distance transports, benefiting the community. It also increases the availability of ambulance units during peak demand, ensuring timely responses in situations with multiple simultaneous calls. On several occasions, all three ambulances have been deployed across different calls, reflecting the growth in our call volume. The third ambulance significantly bolsters our operational capacity, allowing us to respond efficiently and provide continued support to our mutual aid partners.

Enosburgh Ambulance Service is dedicated to delivering the highest standard of patient care while maintaining a strong commitment to our community. Our core values—Proactive, Professional, and Leadership—are fundamental principles that we consistently uphold to the highest standards. We extend our sincere gratitude to the community for its ongoing support. We invite community members to visit our station and engage with our providers. For department updates, including events, training, and community involvement, please visit our Enosburgh Ambulance Service Facebook page. Additional information regarding annual subscriptions and E911 signs can be found on our website at www.enosburghvt.org/ambulance, or you may contact our office directly at 802-933-2118.

Respectfully Submitted, *Garrett Wolski NRP, BS* Director of Operations Enosburgh Ambulance Service (Office) (802)-933-2118



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Annual Subscription

Membership:

The cost is \$100 per household/Per Year. Membership fee provides local emergency medical ambulance service to you and anyone living in your household as medically needed in the Enosburgh Ambulance 911 response area.

The principal subscriber and <u>all persons living in the household</u> residing in our normal call area will be covered under this membership.

Enosburgh Ambulance Service reserves the right to bill any available third-party insurance agency. Additional donations are tax deductible.

Business Membership:

The cost is \$100 per business and \$5 per employee. (Please list employees on a separate sheet)

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Enosburgh A	Ambulance Subs	cription Application	
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(Please Print)		Date Entered:	
Subscriber			
Mailing Address		Apt #	
CityS	tate Zip	_ Phone	
List Current Dependents	PLEASE READ AND SIGN THE AGREEMENT BELOW		
	I hereby apply for Enosburgh Ambula	ance Service membership for myself, and my dependents listed.	
	response area. The membership fee we this membership permits Enosburgh, whatever benefits may be available a nonrefundable and is nontransferable insurance benefits be made on my be supplies furnished to me by Enosburg authorize any holder of medical infor released to Centers for Medicare and appropriate third-party payers, wheth	per year membership fee provides local emergency medical ambulance the household as medically needed in the Enosburgh Ambulance 911 will cover any applicable deductible or co-payments. I understand that Ambulance Service to collect directly from any third-party agency to no charge to me or my family, and that this membership is a I request payment of authorized Medicare benefits and/or other thalf to Enosburgh Ambulance Service, for any ambulance services and the Ambulance Service whether in the past, present or in the future. I mation about me or other relevant documentation about me to be Medicaid Services and its agents and contractors, any and all er in the past, present or in the future.	



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Reflective 911 Address Sign Order Form

Name:
Address:
Phone Number:
Please fill out the information below to request a reflective 911 sign for your property. This sign will help emergency responders easily locate your address in case of an emergency. The price for each sign is \$20.00.
Number of Signs Requested:
Preferred Placement of Sign:
Preferred Orientation of Sign (circle one): Horizontal Vertical
Requested Information on Sign:
Additional Notes or Instructions:
By signing below, I acknowledge that I am responsible for the installation and maintenance of the reflective 911 sign on my property.
Signature:
Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Our goal is to ensure the safety and well-

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Our goal is to ensure the safety and well-being of all residents in our community. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Enosburgh Ambulance at (802) 933-2118.



Enosburgh Town Highway Department 2454 West Enosburgh Road Enosburgh, VT 05450 (802) 933-7761

2024 ROAD DISTRICT REPORT

The following is a summary of highway revenue for 2024, anticipated revenue for 2025, a summary of new/proposed expenses for 2025, a progress report on the gravel pit and a progress report on ash tree removal.

2024 Highway Revenue Summary

<u>Hold Harmless</u> - \$86,098.00 - Property tax reimbursement paid to the Town of Enosburgh Road District from the Vermont Department of Taxes for the loss in property tax revenue; for parcels of properties in the "Town", that are enrolled in the Vermont's Current Use Program.

MRG In-Aid Construction Project - \$46,377.64 - 80% reimbursement from the Department of Environmental Conservation for the culvert replacement, drainage, ditch cleaning and stone lining projects on the Woodward Neighborhood and Longley Bridge Roads. This reimbursement is a combination of two different FY contracts with VTrans, one that we had an extension for FY 2023 and one for FY 2024.

FEMA / ERAF DR #4474 Flood Event Oct. 31 – Nov. 1, 2019 - \$14,904.18 – 5% State Share (ERAF) reimbursement for damages to the town highways which occurred during the flood event of October 31 – November 1, 2019. Note the change of State share (ERAF) of 12.5% to 5%. FEMA increased their reimbursement from 75% to 90%, so the State (ERAF) changed theirs from 12.5% to 5% thus leaving the town to contribute the remaining 5%. The work was completed, and the reimbursement was sent in at the end of 2023, but the reimbursement was not received until after the first of the year of 2024.

<u>TAP Grant</u> - \$0.00 - 80% partial reimbursement from the State of Vermont Agency of Transportation for expenses on the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant to construct a new sand / salt shed at the Town Garage in West Enosburgh. Due to some complications in the project, the anticipated reimbursement was not received.

<u>ARPA Funds</u> - \$416,490.12 - These allocated funds from the American Rescue Plan Act, were expended into the Paving Fund for expenses on paving projects.

State Treasurer Highway Supplement - \$0.00 - This was an unanticipated supplemental Town Highway Aid that the Towns had been receiving for the last few years from the State of Vermont Agency of Transportation. This year the Towns did not receive a supplement, instead received in advance the first two quarterly payments for 2025. This was paid in advance to help the Towns because of the challenging weather and flooding of this last summer.

<u>UMATR Wild and Scenic Grant</u> – \$5,000.00 - This source of revenue was for a ditch cleaning, shoulder cleaning, culvert replacement and stone lining project on the Stonehouse Road. This project did not get completed because of the challenging weather of the summer of 2023, but was extended and completed in 2024. The Upper Missisquoi and Trout River Wild and Scenic program continues to fund projects that will improve the water quality of the Missisquoi and Trout Rivers while improving water flow and making town roads more resilient to flooding.

FEMA / ERAF DR4695 - \$3,261.00 - 7.5 % State Share (ERAF) reimbursement for flood damages and debris cleanup to the town highways which occurred during the storm event of December 23 - December 24, 2022 (Storm Elliot).

2025 Anticipated Revenue

<u>Hold Harmless</u> - \$85,000.00 - Anticipated revenue amount that the Town Road District would collect from the State of Vermont, Department of Taxes, for the reimbursement of property taxes on parcels of property enrolled in the current use program.

MRG In-Aid Construction Projects - \$22,000.00 - This money is an allotted amount from the Department of Environmental Conservation dependent upon how many hydrologically-connected road miles in the town. These projects consist of implementing best management practices (BMPs) on hydrologically connected road segments to bring them up to full compliance with MRGP standards. Work is planned on the Chimney, Howard, Woodward Neighborhood and Longley Bridge Roads.

<u>TAP Grant</u> - \$30,000.00 - reimbursement for expenses on the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant to construct a new sand / salt shed at the Town Garage in West Enosburgh.

<u>FEMA / ERAF – DR 4770</u> - \$22,000.00 – 75% Federal Share (FEMA) / 12.5% State Share (ERAF) reimbursement for damages to the town highways which occurred during the severe storm event of January 9 - January 13, 2024.

Summary of New/Proposed Expenses for 2025

TAP Grant Expense / Update — \$5,000.00 – This is not a new expense, but more of an update. The groundwork for the sand and salt shed started in May 2023, but shortly after, several complications came to light. Engineering estimates were off in the bid documents. These miscalculations were going to lead to some very expensive overages at the expense of the Town. There were some issues with the neighboring well. It was also determined that an additional grant source was not going to come through. So, with the overages and the lack of anticipated grant funds, the Selectboard felt that it was not feasible to continue with the project. Consequently, this amount has been put into the proposed budget to cover any legal fees for closing out the administrative portion of the project.

Horseshoe Gravel Pit #1 Progress Report

- Screened/crushed and hauled 476 cubic yards of material from pit in 2024. (7 cy ditch stone, 28 cy rip rap, 441 cy sand)
- Yearly Material Summary:

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    2013 = 9,469
    2019 = 20,129

    2014 = 10,996
    2020 = 14,377

    2015 = 17,735
    2021 = 18,195

    2016 = 10,729
    2022 = 13,593

    2017 = 13,605
    2023 = 2,024

    2018 = 9,426
    2024 = 476
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Total = 140,754

140,754 cy of material have been extracted from the pit to date, of a 75,000-cy estimate.
2025 will be the thirteenth year of a six-to-seven-year plan. 2022 was the last year of extracting materials from the pit, but still have stockpiles on site which we will still be hauling from until cleaned up.

Horseshoe Gravel Pit #2 Progress Report

- Screened/crushed and hauled 13,999 cubic yards of material from pit 2024. (5,424 cy screened gravel, 205 cy ditch stone, 4508 cy screened sand, 54 cy 2"- 5" stone, 3808 cy 1 1/4" stone)
- Hired McCullough Crushing to crush 5,328 cubic yards of tailings (crushed down to 1 1/4" stone)
- ❖ Yearly Material Summary: 2022 = 3,888 2023 = 12,573 2024 = 13,999

Total = 30,460

Ash Tree Removal/Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Preparedness Progress Report

With permission from landowners, the highway crew continues to remove ash trees located within the town right of way during the performance of road projects.

Respectfully Submitted, Joey Clark Enosburgh Town Road Foreman

BURGH, VERMONT RTMENT		
		2025
	-	BUDGET \$76,970.07
		\$160,000.00
		\$0.00
		\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$600.00	\$660.00	\$600.00
\$12,000.00	\$17,263.78	\$12,000.00
\$85,000.00	\$86,098.00	\$85,000.00
\$66,000.00	\$46,377.64	\$22,000.00
\$1,000.00	\$1,848.00	\$1,000.00
\$10,000.00	\$14,904.18	\$0.00
\$16,000.00	\$0.00	
	\$416,490.12	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
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ENOSBURGH HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT			
	2004	2024	2025
	2024	ACTUAL 2024	BUDGET
HIGHWAY DEPT. EXPENSES	BUDGET EXPENSES	EXPENSES	EXPENSES
ACCOUNTS:	\$268,500.00		
SALARIES	\$20,600.00		
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$25,000.00		
INSURANCE (COMP.TRKS. BLDG.)			
UNEMPLOYMENT INS.	\$400.00		
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$70,000.00 \$2,000.00		
UNIFORMS			
MILEAGE, TESTING, TRAINING	\$1,000.00		
WINTER SAND	\$15,000.00		
SALT	\$30,000.00		
CHLORIDE	\$55,000.00		
HOT MIX/COLD PATCH	\$1,000.00		
GRAVEL	\$60,000.00		
CULVERTS	\$10,000.00		
CONTRACT WORK/BRIDGES	\$70,000.00		
RESURFACING	\$100,000.00		
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$4,500.00		
GUARD RAILS	\$10,000.00		
ROAD SIGNS & MARKINGS	\$3,500.00		
EQUIP./LEASE, FUEL, REPAIR	\$200,000.00		
HWY. GARAGE EXPENSE	\$16,500.00		
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND	\$65,000.00		
MUNICIPAL ROAD GENERAL PERMIT	\$2,000.00		
PAVING FUND	\$100,000.00		
TAP GRANT EXPENSE	\$20,000.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,150,000.00	\$1,464,750.03	\$1,155,110.00
BALANCE HWY 12/31/2024		\$76,970.07	
EQUIPMENT FUND			
BEGINNING BALANCE 1/1/2024		\$71,038.70	
PAYMENTS		\$65,000.00	
EXPENSES		\$100,000.00	
BALANCE 12/31/2024		\$36,038.70	
PAVING FUND			
BEGINNING BALANCE 1/1/2024		\$103,083.91	
PAYMENTS		\$516,490.12	
EXPENSES		\$143,031.40)
BALANCE 12/31/2024		\$476,542.63	B

Opera House's Successful Year 2024-

A Year of Growth and Cultural Enrichment - The Opera House has experienced a remarkably successful year, continued its upward trajectory and solidifying its position as a vital cultural hub in our community. The diverse range of shows and events hosted this year has not only entertained but also brought together people of all ages and interests.

A Varied and Vibrant Lineup - Throughout the year, the Opera House showcased an impressive array of performances and events. Audiences were treated to a variety of bands, adding a lively musical dimension to the venue. Our monthly winter events enabled everyone to lighten up in the midst of cold weather and feel warmed by the talent and company. Additionally, three youth camp events provided young talents with the opportunity to explore their artistic abilities and gain invaluable stage experience. For a more open age group the Friend's Talent Search discovered and celebrated local talents. These events drew considerable attention and fostered a sense of pride and community spirit. Furthermore, the sold out Murder Mystery dinner, in partnership with Cat Crusaders, offered a unique and engaging experience that combined entertainment with social cause support.

Embracing Creativity and Festivity - The Craft Fair was another notable event, attracting artisans and craft enthusiasts from near and far to kick off the holiday season and connect with a broader audience. The festive season was marked by the heartwarming production of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," a two-night event which brought holiday cheer to countless families. Our ever-popular free Holiday concert featuring the community chorus and town band was exceptional as usual. Tying it up we had our own red carpet showing of "A Christmas Cowboy" a film that was filmed in Vermont and in part at the Opera House which also cast locals as extras in the film.

Unforgettable Highlights - Two standout highlights of the year were the introduction of the V! A Vivacious Night of Variety, an eclectic show in the cold of the year brought us a full house! Conversely in the middle of a hot summer we had four sold-out performances of "Annie," featuring many of our talented youth earning standing ovations and widespread acclaim. These full house shows certainly told us what was missing and what the community wants to see, and we thank such appreciative audiences!

A Bright Future Ahead - The success of these events has put the Opera House in a strong position to continue its growth. The increased patronage and enthusiastic community support have enabled us to invest in programming and assist future facility improvements such as accessibility and efficiency. Your continued support ensures that the Opera House remains a top-notch venue for future performances and events.

As we look forward to another year of cultural enrichment and community engagement, we remain committed to providing a diverse and dynamic program that caters to the tastes and interests of our audience. The Opera House will continue to be a beacon of creativity, entertainment, and cultural vitality in our town. We thank the continued support of our community, patrons and sponsors.

Suzanne Hull-Casavant, Friends of the Opera House Board Chair

Board Members: Heidi Britch-Valenta, Sarah Butson, Reagan Decker, Kevin Diette, Ernie Hemmingway, Matt Rainville, Shayna Sherwood, Billie Jean Smith, David Stetson, and Brian Sylvester

2024 Annual Report of the Enosburgh Conservation Commission We are looking for new one new member

To promote land as a community to which we belong is the mission statement of the Enosburgh Conservation Commission. The functions in our by-laws are to:

- 1. Perform inventories of natural resources,
- 2. Manage land,
- 3. Represent the public interest in land use issues,
- 4. Educate and inform the public regarding land and its resources
- Land acquisition.

Meeting this goal and the five purposes of our by-laws are the driving force for our activities this year. Our activities for this year were:

Our main focus has been expanding the trails in the town forest. We developed a new trail on the east side of the road that wanders through the woods and has a spur to a beaver pond. In addition we have a new trail that is flagged and soon will have official markers for a lollipop trail that leaves from the north part of a current trail to a one acre parcel that was donated to the town. The trails, which are accessed from the Longley Bridge Road, are used regularly by local residents and visitors.

- Three members of our committee for the Town Forest Committee
- · We hosted a guided snowshoe in the town forest
- We hosted a bird walk in the town forest
- We hosted a fern identification walk of the numerous ferns in the forest.
- We co-sponsored programs on loons and ducks
- WE co- hosted a fishing festival on the Missisquoi River
- We hosted a regional meeting and potluck for the county conservation groups, UMATR, Wild and Scenic, MRBA Cold Hollow to Canada, and Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District to share ideas and collaborate. We hosted a paddle on the Missisquoi River

We meet the third Monday of each month at Cold Hollow Career Center at 6:00, except when we have programs or walks. Our activities and calendar are on our Facebook page at Facebook.com/Enosburgh Conservation Commission. We have no meetings in July and December.

Respectfully submitted Sarah Downes Chairperson, Ben Maddox Vice President, Alex Smith Secretary, , Diane Leary treasurer, Wendy Scott, Dennis Williams and Charlotte Bill..



Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers (UMATR) Wild & Scenic Committee

2839 VT Route 105 East Berkshire, VT 05447
Tel: (802) 933-3645 E-mail: info@vtwsr.org Website: www.umatrwildandscenic.org

Dear Residents of Enosburgh and Enosburg Falls,

Since 2014 - the year that 46.1 miles of the upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers were designated to join the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System - the Upper Missisquoi and Trout Rivers (UMATR) Wild & Scenic Committee has striven to protect, enhance, and encourage enjoyment of our beautiful rivers. Our Committee is made up of 2 representatives from each of the 8 municipalities these rivers flow through: Westfield, Troy, North Troy, Richford, Berkshire, Enosburgh, Enosburg Falls, and Montgomery. If you or someone you know is interested in representing your municipality in the important decisions we make (such as what projects to fund with our dollars!), please let us know – we need additional voices from your Town and Village!

As we plan for a wonderful 2025, we also want to look back at the successes of 2024. UMATR celebrated its 10th year of designation this year and to commemorate, we paddled all 46.1 designated miles. We were pleased to have 106 people join us during these 7 days of paddling, while we highlighted all of our 8 municipalities and celebrated the rivers. UMATR is proud of the many and varied events we hosted this past year: from our online speaker series to our Wild and Scenic Film Festival, we engaged 157 attendees for our virtual and viewing activities during 2024; we engaged another 13 people to help us remove trash from our swimming holes. And we always love getting people out on the river - we had 99 paddlers and snowshoers join us during our onwater (and near-water) events in 2024.

During 2024, we also supported 10 great community-led grant projects in our region with \$59,950 in grant funds. In Enosburgh, \$4,000 of these funds supported Franklin County Natural Resources District's Fishing Festival. This was such a fun community event for all ages, and we look forward to the 2025 Fishing Festival!

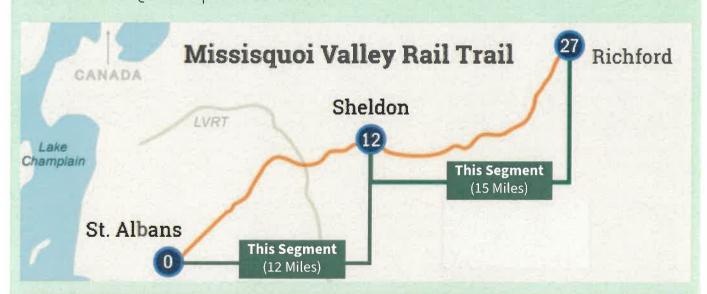
We are planning a busy 2025, and would love to see you at some of our events. Join us this winter for snowshoeing and our online speaker series, in the spring to help spotted salamanders or to enjoy our (still!) new office space while catching up with us during our Open House, or on the water this summer with great events such as Tubing on the Trout and our annual Paddle and Picnic. Visit our website (umatrwildandscenic.org) where you can register, and join our mailing list to stay up-to-date with all our activities.

Respectfully submitted by your representative to the W&S Committee: Wendy Scott and Mike Manahan, and UMATR staff and ECO AmeriCorps member: Lindsey, Sarah, and Ruby. Please contact us with any questions or comments (info@vtwsr.org).



MISSISQUOI VALLEY

Development of an updated management plan for the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail is underway. The plan aims to help define the next era of the trail system through a community-led vision and goal-oriented strategies that will foster connection to the local community, spur economic activity, and enable future investment in this community asset. We encourage community input to help align the plan with the vision and experience of those who utilize and cherish the trail - please share your thoughts via the link or QR code provided below.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

To provide input on the trail please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the provide input on the trail please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the provide input on the trail please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the provide input on the trail please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the QR code to the right or go to have a second market or the please scan the pleas

To learn more about the plan process and upcoming engagement opportunities go to

https://railtrails.vermont.gov/information/management-plan/





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October 21, 2024

Dean Wright, Select Board Chair Town of Enosburgh 296 Carpenter Rd Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

Re: FY26 Funding Request

Dear Dean:

As you may be aware, this time each year the Regional Commission submits for your consideration our municipal funding request for the coming year.

The Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a multi-purpose governmental organization formed by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC has been providing planning and community development assistance to our member municipalities for over fifty years. All municipalities within the two-county area are members of the Commission, which consists of a board made up of your appointed representatives (two from each municipality). All municipalities in the region have access to the types of services described in the enclosed report. In order to carry out our planning programs, the Commission maintains an office in St. Albans and a staff of qualified planning professionals.

While the Commission is not a regulatory taxing authority, each year we do request a per capita-based assessment from our members in support of municipal and regional projects and programs. This is done in accordance with state statutes and the Commission's adopted bylaws. Funds raised through the municipal assessment support the Commission's technical assistance program and assist in providing matches for programs such as transportation and emergency planning.

The Board of Commissioners voted to increase the assessment rate to \$1.2306 per capita for the 2026 fiscal year, which begins on July 1, 2025. Please include for consideration as a line item in your upcoming budget a Regional Commission request for \$3,458 in support of local and regional projects and programs. This amount is based upon the adopted rate of \$1.2306 per person, multiplied by Enosburgh's 2020 census population of 2,810. The enclosed report is offered for your information and inclusion in the town's annual report; an electronic version is available upon request or by visiting the NRPC website under Municipalities, Resources and NRPC Municipal Report.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me (802-310-6797), your municipal representatives, or Chair, Peter Zamore (802-598-8415). We would also be glad to attend an upcoming meeting to discuss in more detail the Commission's planning programs and services provided to municipalities. Your continued support of local and regional planning is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Catherine Dimitruk, Executive Director

cc: Enosburgh Regional Commissioners Enosburgh Clerk



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NRPC PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

- Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting
- Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans
- Transportation planning and project management
- Bike and pedestrian planning and project management
- Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience
- Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects
- Water quality planning, grants and project management
- Regional plans for growth and development
- Geographic Information System maps and data
- Downtown and village revitalization and community development

ASSOCIATED PROJECTS MANAGED BY NRPC

- Northern Vermont Economic Development District
- Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Jesse Woods & vacant seat

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Joey Clark

NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ENOSBURGH TOWN REPORT - 2024

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a multi-purpose governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs tailored to local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by two locally appointed members to the Board of Commissioners.

2024 ENOSBURGH TOWN PROJECTS

- · Provided technical assistance for local planning and zoning efforts.
- Completed an update of the Local Emergency Management Plan (with Enosburg Falls Village) which helps the town be prepared for future disasters.
- Served as local liaison to town officials for the State Emergency Operation Center during the January severe wind and July severe weather events.
- Provided a \$ 57,000 Clean Water Service Provider grant to Franklin County NRCD for a floodplain restoration project.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District; in which Enosburgh is a founding member.
- Consulted with local officials including the Conservation Commission and evaluated infrastructure projects that address water quality concerns.
- Funded environmental assessments and cleanup of asbestos and lead at the Enosburgh Armory building supporting the Town's purchase of the building for use as municipal offices.
- Drafted a unified Enosburgh Town & Enosburg Falls bylaw focused on supporting smart growth in the Central Business and Commercial Districts, funded by a Municipal Planning Grant. Additionally, collaborated with the Planning Commission to include amendments that allow for increased housing choice and affordability, funded by a Bylaw Modernization consortium grant.
- Healthy Roots delivered Northwest Farmacy CSAs to the Enosburg NOTCH and regularly stocked the grab & go mini-fridge in their lobby with local produce.
- Assisted with an application for energy assessments for the Emergency Services Building, Opera House, Public Library, and Armory, and an application for construction funds through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program.
- Consulted with local officials, identified projects and provided technical assistance for Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid construction projects.
- · Completed a consultation of the municipal planning program.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with maximizing local, state and federal infrastructure funds, water quality project implementation, Municipal Roads General Permit compliance, local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw modernization, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails, assist the Northwest Communications Union District in expanding broadband access in the region, update its Land Use Plan to support housing development and coordinate Housing For All, a three-year housing development campaign. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource - please call on us for assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.

To the Selectboard Town of Enosburgh Enosburgh, Vermont

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Enosburgh, Vermont, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. We noted no transactions entered into by this governmental unit during the year where there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other-Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion on or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The combining and nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual non major fund financial statements are the responsibility of management. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully submitted, Andersen & Merrell, LLP

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH, VERMONT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2024

The Town of Enosburgh, Vermont operates under a Selectmen form of government and provides the following services: public safety, highways, community development, recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, and general administrative services.

The accounting policies of the Town conform to the modified cash basis of accounting as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. The Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes all the funds of the Town of Enosburgh, Vermont. The reporting entity consists of the primary government; organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable; and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that their exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential of the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or burdens on the primary government. The primary government may be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the primary government. Based on these criteria, there are no entities that should be combined with the financial statements of the Town.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Town are organized and operated on the basis of fund accounting. A fund is an independent fiscal accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, receipts, and disbursements. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The basic financial statements of the Town include both government-wide statements and fund financial statements. The focus of the government-wide statements is on reporting the operating

results and financial position of the Town. The focus of the fund financial statements is on reporting on the operation results and financial position of the most significant funds of the Town.

Government-wide Statements: The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the primary government, the Town. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of activities between funds. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Town. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees changed to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and revenues for each function of the Town's governmental activities and for each segment of the Towns activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function or program. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts that are not classified as program receipts, including all taxes are presented as general receipts.

The Town reports on the following major governmental funds:

General Fund-This is the Town's primary operation fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Highway Fund-This fund accounts for the operation of the highway department of the Town.

C. Measurement Focus

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting. Fund equity (i.e., cash basis net assets) is segregated into restricted cash basis net assets and unrestricted cash basis net assets. Operation statements present increases (I.e., receipts and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., disbursements and other financing uses) in modified cash basis fund balances.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

1. Accrual

Both governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and the fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the economic resources' measurement focus and the accrual

basis of accounting. Property taxes are reported in the period for which they are levied. Other nonexchange revenues, including intergovernmental revenues and grants, are reported when all eligibility requirements have been met. Fees and charges and other exchange revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

2. Modified Accrual

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period for property taxes. Intergovernmental revenues and grants are recognized when all eligibility requirements are met, and the revenues are available. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

Private-sector standards of accounting, and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board as implemented in GASB Statement 62.

E. Budgetary Data

Budgets are presented on the modified cash basis of accounting for the General Fund. Budgets are not adopted on a Town level for the special revenue and fiduciary funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end with the exception of those indicated as a fund balance reserve. The following procedures are used in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

The Selectboard prepares and legally warns a budget for the year beginning January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and means of financing them.

Any revisions to the budget must be approved by the Selectboard.

The legal voters of the Town of Enosburgh, Vermont meet on the first Tuesday in March to review discuss and vote on the budget.

Budgets generally assume the expenditure of all available resources. Therefore, when the budget is prepared, it is assumed these funds will not have a carryover of revenue to a subsequent year. Program revenue received but not spent is restricted and deferred to the subsequent year. As a result, overall fund revenue variances will be negative and overall fund expenditures variances will be positive.

1. Deposits and Investments

The Town's Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

2. Interfund Receivables and Payable

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., current portion of inter-fund loans) or "advances from/to other funds?" (i.e., the non-current portion of inter-fund loans).

3. Receivables

The Town utilizes the allowance method for uncollectible accounts. They have determined that all accounts are collectible, and the allowance is zero.

4. Inventories

Inventories are valued at cost, using the first-in, and first-out method.

5. Property Taxes

The Town levies its property tax based upon the assessed value as of April 1, for all real property, with exemptions to qualifying veterans and excludes assessments on municipal, school and church properties. Listers and a paid assessor establish a Grand List of all property and the Selectboard sets the tax rate required to raise the tax revenue for the town. The state sets both the residential school rate and the non-residential school rate. The property taxes are levied in July and are due and payable on or before November 10 of each year and become delinquent on the following day. The Town prepares the bills and collects all taxes and carries all delinquencies.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets are property owned by the Town and include computer equipment, software, and peripherals: equipment such as vehicles, machinery, copiers, and office equipment; buildings and land: and infrastructure such as roads, bridges, tunnels, rights of way, and culverts.

General capital assets should be capitalized and recorded when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) The asset is tangible and complete.
- 2) The asset is used in the operation of the Town's activities.

- 3) The asset has a value and useful life at the date of acquisition that meets or exceeds the following:
 - \$1,000 value and two years of life for software, office equipment, maintenance equipment, and other equipment.
 - \$1,000 value and two years of life for all capital improvements.
 - All buildings and land as well as computer equipment must be reported regardless of value and useful life at date of acquisition.
 - \$1,000 and three years of life for infrastructure and infrastructure improvements.

All general capital assets must be recorded at either historical cost or estimated historical cost. Assets acquired through donation will be recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date of donation. In addition to purchase price or construction cost, costs of capitalization may include incidental costs, such as bond interest and issuance cost, insurance during transit, freight, duties, title search, title registration, installation, and breaking-in costs.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	20-50 years
Machinery and equipment	5-10 years
Improvements	10-20 years
Other Infrastructure	10-50 years

7. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable statement of net position.

8. Governmental Fund Balances

Fund balances of governmental fund type financial statements are classified as nonspendable (not in spendable form or legally required to remain intact) restricted (constraints on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or donors, or imposed by law through enabling legislation); committed (constraints on the use of resources are imposed by formal action of the voters at town meeting); assigned (reflecting the selectboard's intended use of the resources); and unassigned (indicates the portion of fund equity that is available for appropriation and expenditure in future periods).

9. Government-Wide Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities in the statement of net position. Net investment in capital assets, including restricted capital assets, less accumulated depreciation and less any debt that remains outstanding that was used to fiancé those assets plus deferred outflows of resources less deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed by their use by Town legislation or external

restrictions by creditors, grantors, law or regulations of other governments. All other net positions are recorded in the unrestricted category.

10. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

11. Revenues-Exchange Transactions

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified accrual basis revenue is recorded when the exchange take place and in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the Town, the phrase "available for exchange transaction" means expected to be received with 60 days of year-end.

12. Revenues-Non-exchange Transactions

Non-exchange transactions in which the Town receives value without directly giving equal value in return, includes property taxes, grants and donations. Revenue from property taxes is recognized tin the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when resources are required to be used, or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Town must provide local resources to be used for specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Town on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions also must be available (i.e. collected within 60 days) before it can be recognized in the governmental funds. Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be susceptible to accrual: property taxes which are reported as unavailable revenue and federal and state grants, which are reported as unearned revenue.

13. Cash and Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits in Financial Institutions

Cash belonging to the Town is placed in the custody of the Town Treasurer who is elected. The Town does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. On December 31, 2024, the Town of Enosburgh, Vermont deposits had a carrying amount of \$254,125.93 and a bank balance of \$3,002,101.12.

14. Risk Management

Town of Enosburgh, Vermont is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omission; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Town of Enosburgh maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. In addition, the town carries health insurance for its full-time employees, along with unemployment coverage, all coverage is with Vermont League of Cities and Towns Insurance Program. VLCT is a non-profit corporation formed to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont municipalities and is owned by the participating members.

15. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Addition Completions	Retirements/ Adjustments	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities Capital assets not being depreciated: Land	\$ 5,000	-		\$ 5,000
	5,000			
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Infrastructure	3,046,415			3,046,415
Building	3,203,131			3,203,131
Road equipment and vehicles	2,401,660	279,884		2,681,544
Office equipment, furniture and	267,276			267,276
Total capital assets being depreciated	8,918,482			9,198,366
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	(1,062,110)			(1,062,110)
Buildings	(735,163)	(52,003)		(787,166
Road equipment and vehicles	(729,138)	(36,905)		(766,043)
Office equipment and fixtures	(188,370)	(5,500)		(193,870)
Total accumulated depreciation	(2,714,781)	(94,408)		(2,809,189)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	6,203,701			6,389,177
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$6,198,701	185,476		6,384,177

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BASIS FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR YEAR ENDED 12/31/2024

	GENERAL FUND	HIGHWAY	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
PROPERTY TAXES	\$928,725.32	\$807,539.85	0	\$1,736,265.17
PENALTIES & INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAXES	\$235,222.47	\$0.00	0	\$235,222.47
LICENSES, FEES & FINES	\$69,641.71	\$660.00	0	\$70,301.71
SERVICES & GRANTS	\$27,336.00	\$86,806.60	0	\$114,142.60
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	\$69,418.06	\$646,713.65	0	\$716,131.71
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	\$1,330,343.56	\$1,541,720.10	0	\$2,872,063.66
CASH DISBURSEMENTS GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL	\$928,272.23	\$0.00	0	\$928,272.23
HIGHWAYS & EQUIPMENT		\$1,464,750.03	0	\$1,464,750.03
RECREATION	\$58,385.39	\$0.00	0	\$58,385.39
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$242,952.57	\$0.00	0	\$242,952.57
CEMETERIES	\$500.00	\$0.00	0	\$500.00
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,230,110.19	\$1,464,750.03	0	\$2,694,860.22

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Origina	I &			Varia	ance with
	Final		Act	ual	Final	Budget
	Budget	ed Amounts	Buc	dgetary Basis	<u>Posit</u>	ive (Negative)
REVENUES						(420,440,05)
Real taxes - Municiple	\$	990,713.38	\$	852,264.32	\$	(138,449.06)
Current Use	\$	71,000.00	\$	71,091.00	\$	91.00
Taxes -state owned	\$	3,700.00	\$	4,002.00	\$	302.00
Licenses & Fees	\$	47,350.00	\$	57,287.56	\$	9,937.56
Grants	\$	20,000.00	\$	12,336.00	\$	(7,664.00)
Delinquent Tax Int. & Fees	\$	240,000.00	\$	235,222.47	\$	(4,777.53)
Rent	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	-
Misc.	\$	75,629.38	\$	75,786.06	\$	156.68
Zoning Fees & Fines	\$	17,000.00	\$	10,899.65	\$	(6,100.35)
Traffic fines	\$	2,500.00	\$_	1,454.50	\$	(1,045.50)
Total Revenues		\$1,477,892.76		\$1,330,343.56	\$	(147,549.20)
EXPENDITURES						
Salaries	\$	340,000.00	\$	349,146.75	\$	(9,145.75)
Payroll Taxes	\$	26,738.19	\$	25,757.10	\$	981.09
Office Expense	\$	55,400.00	\$	54,535.62	\$	864.38
Mileage	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	\$	1,000.00
Building expenses	\$	70,000.00	\$	72,009.40	\$	(2,009.40)
Dues	\$	4,952.00	\$	4,804.00	\$	148.00
Ambulance	\$	91,333.76	\$	91,333.76	\$	-
Legal	\$	2,000.00	\$	-	\$	2,000.00
Library Appropriation	\$	31,350.00	\$	31,350.00	\$	-
Assessor Costs	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$	-
Insurances	\$	52,000.00	\$	52,984.65	\$	(984.65)
Fire Dept.	\$	185,000.00	\$	185,000.00	\$	-
Police	\$	200,000.00	\$	57,952.57	\$	142,047.43
Recreation	\$	58,385.39	\$	58,385.39	\$	-
Cemeteries	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	-
Solid Waste	\$	3,653.00	\$	3,653.00	\$	-
Interest Expense	\$	10,000.00	\$	7,104.00	\$	2,896.00
County Tax	\$	22,333.57	\$	22,333.57	\$	-
State Fees	\$	4,000.00	\$	3,984.00	\$	16.00
State (CC)	7	1,000.00	~	2,23	*	

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Origina	al &	Ac	tual	Varia	ince with
	Final B	udgeted	Bu	dgetary	Final	Budget
	Amour	nts	Ва	sis	Posit	ive (Negative)
EXPENDITURES (Continued) Grants	\$	17,500.00	\$	12,080.00	\$	5,420.00
Opera House	\$	25,000.00	\$	25,000.00	\$	-
Regional Planning	\$	3,400.00	\$	3,357.00	\$	43.00
Appropriations	\$	20,828.00	\$	20,828.00	\$	-
Highway transfer	\$	12,000.00	\$	17,263.58	\$	(5,263.58)
Elections	\$	1,500.00	\$	790.80	\$	709.20
Town Building Mntnce	\$	200,000.00	\$	106,534.00	\$	93,466.00
Animal Controll	\$	8,000.00	\$	8,200.00	\$	(200.00)
Misc.	\$	21,018.85	\$	5,223.00	\$	15,794.85
Total Expenditures	\$	1,477,892.76	\$	1,230,110.19	\$	247,782.57
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expen	ditures				\$	100,233.37

TOWN OF ENOSBURGH BUDGET COMPARISON SCHEDULE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Origin	al &	Ac	tual	Varia	ance with
	Final		Bu	dgetary	Fina	Budget
	Budge	eted Amounts	Ва	sis	Posi	tive (Negative)
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$	721,441.85	\$	721,441.85	-	
State Aid	\$	160,000.00	\$	159,917.38	\$	(82.62)
Fees & Fines	\$	600.00	\$	660.00	\$	60.00
Grants	\$	85,500.00	\$	69,542.82	\$	(15,957.18)
Hold Harmless	\$	85,000.00	\$	86,098.00	\$	1,098.00
ARPA			\$	416,490.12	\$	416,490.12
Misc.	\$	69,458.15	\$	70,306.15	\$	848.00
General Fund Payment	\$	12,000.00	\$	17,263.78	\$	5,263.78
Tap Grant	\$	16,000.00	\$	799	\$	(16,000.00)
	\$	1,150,000.00	\$	1,541,720.10	\$	391,720.10
EXPENDITURES						
Salaries	\$	268,500.00	\$	265,573.15	\$	2,926.85
Payroll Taxes	\$	20,600.00	\$	19,601.44	\$	998.56
Mileage, training	\$	1,000.00	\$	473.02	\$	526.98
Building expenses	\$	16,500.00	\$	16,543.25	\$	(43.25)
Insurances	\$	25,000.00	\$	24,510.00	\$	490.00
Health Ins.	\$	70,000.00	\$	63,655.86	\$	6,344.14
Uniforms	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,750.00	\$	250.00
Salt, Sand, Gravel, Chloride	\$	160,000.00	\$	171,561.70	\$	(11,561.70)
Bridges, Culverts, Guard Rails	\$	90,000.00	\$	19,301.40	\$	70,698.60
Road Const., Resurfacing	\$	104,500.00	\$	104,196.99	\$	303.01
Misc.	\$	6,900.00	\$	3,856.37	\$	3,043.63
Equipment Expense	\$	200,000.00	\$	159,192.76	\$	40,807.24
Equipment Fund	\$	65,000.00	\$	65,000.00	-	
Paving Fund	\$	100,000.00	\$	516,490.12	\$	(416,490.12)
TAP grant expense	\$	20,000.00	\$	33,043.97	\$	(13,043.97)
	\$	1,150,000.00	\$	1,464,750.03	\$	(314,750.03)
	-		-		•	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$	<u>-</u>			\$	76,970.07

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St. Albans Field Station 140 Fisher Pond Rd St. Albans, VT 05478

January 8th, 2025

On behalf of the Vermont State Police, St. Albans Barracks, we are providing our 2024 Annual Report. This report will provide our mission, identify specialty services provided by the Troopers assigned to the St. Albans Barracks, and provide data for your respective town.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Vermont State Police is to individually and collectively serve and protect by providing the highest quality of professional law enforcement services. The mission of the Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks is to protect the citizens of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. By working together, we can educate, empower and foster trust within our community. We will strive to reduce crime and enforce the laws of our roadways through criminal investigations and aggressive motor vehicle enforcement.

Specialty Services Provided by Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks

In addition to their field primary responsibilities, many of the troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks are members of special response teams that provide expert response capabilities in a variety of areas to address critical needs throughout Vermont.

The breakdown of these responses is as follows:

- 1 Trooper Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)
- 4 Troopers Tactical Services Unit (TSU)
- 3 Troopers K9 Team
- 2 Troopers Search and Rescue Team (SAR)
- 3 Troopers Bomb Squad (EOD)
- 1 Trooper CLAN lab team
- 1 Troopers Crash Reconstruction Team (CRT)
- 1 Trooper Crisis Negotiation Unit (CNU)

"Your Safety Is Our Business"

Annual Crime Statistics for the St. Albans Barracks:

Total Cases:	6877
Total Arrests:	638
Total Tickets Issued:	229
Total Warnings Issued:	771
Fatal Accidents:	8
Total Burglaries Investigated:	59
Total DUI's:	62

Local Community Report:	Enosburgh
Total Cases:	775
Total Arrests:	100
Total DUI's:	1
Total Accidents – Property Damage:	22
Total Accidents – Injury:	3
Total Vandalisms:	14
Total Alarms:	44
Total Burglaries:	11
Total Tickets:	6
Total Warnings:	16

We will continue to make our communities safer through enforcement, prevention, and community outreach. It is our privilege to serve the citizens of this community. Together, we will get through these challenging times.

Respectfully,

Lieutenant Michael Filipek

Station commander



October 10, 2024

Town of Enosburg PO Box 465 Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

Dear Ms. Draper,

Franklin Grand Isle Restorative Justice Center Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, would like to send the Town of Enosburg our sincerest thanks for your support over the years. We have used those funds to help our community thrive and enhance the growth of the individuals we serve. We work with victims of crime using restorative justice approaches as well as help both youth and adults who are either charged with a crime or a civil violation to take responsibility and repair the harm done by their behavior and actions in the community. Our mission is to serve our community to help make it a safe and vital place to live and work.

We are thankful for the Town's past allocation of \$1,000.00.00 for our agency. We appreciate the successful partnership we have with the Town of Enosburg and your support. We ask that The Town of Enosburg continue to support our agency in the amount of \$1,000.00 in your FY25 budget. Please make Checks payable to City of St. Albans-FGIRJC and those can be mailed to FGIRJC 60 Lake St. Floor 1 St. Albans, VT 05478.

Feel free to call with any questions.

All my best and thanks,

Harmony Bourgeois Executive Director (802) 527-6123





Serving Bennington, Franklin, & Rutland Counties

November 25, 2024

Town of Enosburgh Town Clerk Billie Jo Draper PO Box 465 Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

Dear Town of Enosburgh,

VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region (VNAHSR) respectfully requests town funds of \$5,840 to assist in providing vital home health care and hospice services to all those in need in our community.

As you may have heard, Franklin County Home Health Care Agency (FCHHA) was forced to cease operations due to the impact of Medicare reimbursement cuts in spring of 2024. VNAHSR, one of FCHHA's sister agencies, has been designated by the Green Mountain Care Board as the home health care provider for Franklin County.

VNAHSR and FCHHA have a long history of working together under the umbrella of VNAs of Vermont. There has been close collaboration to ensure a smooth transition for Franklin County residents to continue to receive exceptional home health care services. Many of the clinicians and caregivers providing service in Franklin County will remain the same, they are simply employees of VNAHSR.

Since 1946, VNAHSR has cared for those in our community who desire to heal at home, are experiencing a serious or end-of-life illness or suffered the loss of a loved one. Together, we ensure that on any given day, hundreds of patients, from the most medically fragile infants, to individuals over 100, and their family members, are cared for by our team of skilled and committed caregivers.

In 2023 alone, VNAHSR provided over \$1.7 million in charitable care to our patients who were either underinsured or without the insurance required for the home care they deserved. We are dedicated to our mission of providing care, regardless of the location of residence, complexity of health issues or financial circumstances of the patient.

Town funds and charitable contributions help close the gap between reimbursement for services provided and the true costs of those services. To continue meeting these needs, we urge you to consider the importance and cost-effectiveness of the work that VNAHSR does to ensure the health and well-being of our community. We are filled with gratitude for Enosburgh's many years of support to help fulfill our mission to serve our community. Please do not hesitate to contact **802-775-0568** if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sara C. King, Chief Executive Officer



Information Sheet: 2024

What happened to Franklin County Home Health Agency?

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What is VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region?

Founded in Rutland, Vermont in 1946, VNAHSR is a 501(c) 3 non-profit, Medicare-certified home health and hospice agency delivering a wide-range of advanced medical care with compassion, dependability, and expertise to people of all ages. Today, more than 250 certified home health aides, rehabilitation therapists, social workers, and visiting nurses bring their skilled care and compassion to people in Bennington County, Rutland County and all 15 towns in Franklin County.

- **Our Mission**: To enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and health care services.
- Our Vision: To be the best provider of home and community based health care in Vermont.

How many patients were served and home visits made in 2023?

The Agency made 39,000 visits to 1,472 Franklin County residents. The Agency made the following number of visits to the residents Franklin County:

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20,928	Home Care Services
14,912	Long Term Care Services
3,160	Hospice Services

Why does the Agency need money from towns?

While, we receive reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid, and other third-party insurances the Agency depends on the money received from towns to subsidize shrinking federal and state reimbursements and the cost of care provided to patients who are uninsured or underinsured. In 2023 alone, the Agency provided over \$1.7 million in charitable care to patients who were either underinsured or uninsured for the home care they deserved. Town funds and charitable contributions help close the gap between reimbursement for services provided and the true costs of those services.

Where can you find more information about VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region?

For more information about the Agency or the services we provide please call (802) 775-0568 or visit our website at www.vermontvisitingnurses.org.



Lisa Bonser, Executive Director Shauna LaBelle, Administrative Coordinator Diane Wheeler, Prosecutor Kelly Woodward, Victim Advocate

> 5 Lemnah Drive Saint Albans, Vermont 05478

> > August 13, 2024

Town of Enosburgh
PO Box 465
Enosburgh Falls VT 05450
Re: request for town funds, FY 24\25
Amount Requested \$1,000.00

NUSI/CAC, a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization, was formed in 1995 to provide victims of sexual abuse and severe child abuse with dedicated services provide by a specially trained multidisciplinary team. In 1999 NUSI/CAC became and remains an accredited Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) through the National Children's Alliance. This accreditation holds NUSI/CAC to a high level of national standards in providing services to victims and their supporting family members. NUSI/CAC successfully sought and received reaccreditation every five years since 2005, including our most recent accreditation in 2022.

NUSI/CAC's multidisciplinary team, made up of dedicated and specialized trained prosecutors, law enforcement investigators, victim advocates, investigators from the Department for Children and Families, along with medical and mental health professionals, have successfully closed more than 87% of the cases investigated.

NUSI/CAC is funded through an array of resources, including state and federal grants, in-kind services from involved state and county agencies, fund raising, donations and appropriations from our towns and municipalities. With grant monies becoming more restrictive and difficult to come by, local community support continues to be an important part of NUSI/CAC's financial stability.

It is our hope that the Town of Enosburgh will be able to support us this coming year in our efforts to end sexual violence and child abuse in our communities with a contribution of \$1,000.00.

Sincerely,

Lia Bonser

Lisa Bonser, Executive Director Northwest Unit for Special Investigation/Children's Advocacy Center

5 Lemnah Drive St. Albans VT 05478





FCIDC Annual Report for 2024

The Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC) was established in 1971. FCIDC was created to grow the economy and create job opportunities as our region was experiencing double digit unemployment figures. In years past, our county experienced too many people who wanted to work yet too few jobs were being offered. Now we have too many jobs open with not enough willing individuals to fill those positions despite a growth in our population. We can all comment on why we think this is happening, but the bottom line is our county has worked way too hard to get to this point and if we can't change that trajectory then companies will move to other states/countries where they can find the employees to run their businesses.

In an effort to impact this situation FCIDC has taken the initiative to engage with our five county high schools and two technical and career centers to educate both teachers and students as to what employment opportunities exist once an individual graduates from high school. A college education is not the answer for many students. FCIDC has and will continue to do student visits to a variety of employment sites. Local companies have been very willing to host students and educate them about what jobs are available and what pay and benefits they offer. Many of the employers offer education reimbursement so that students can attend college while working and those individuals could end up with no college debt. The timeline to receive a degree may take a little longer but the debt will be limited.

FCIDC also organized a Tech Discovery Day for eighth graders where they were able to interact with local businesses doing hands on activities such as using virtual goggles and operating robots. This coming spring FCIDC along with the local schools will be organizing an apprenticeship day, in order to showcase the businesses that are looking for apprentices. When employed as an apprentice the individual is paid while learning a skill or trade. There is usually some classroom training that goes along with the on-the-job training.

In 2024 FCIDC saw the completion of a couple large projects. FCIDC completed Phase I of the Perley Block project in Enosburg and this past fall we started Phase II. The second phase consists of constructing four new apartments on the second floor of the "Annex" which is the former warehouse building that was connected to the original Perley Block. Once completed the building will have 12 apartments in downtown Enosburg along with retail and office space. In the St. Albans Town Industrial Park Purpose Energy bought three acres of land from FCIDC and it is adjacent to Ben & Jerry's. The project consists of a bioreactor which transforms food waste (i.e. Ben & Jerry's) to energy by creating a biogas which is used to create electricity to send to the electrical grid. Please check out our website at www.fcidc.com to learn more about FCIDC.

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(802) 524-2194 Fax: (802) 524-6793 Respectfully submitted by,

Timothy J. Smith

FCIDC Executive Director

E-mail: info@fcidc.com tim@fcidc.com Web Site: fcidc.com December 30, 2024

Town of Enosburgh P.O. Box 465 Enosburg Falls, VT 05450



Dear Enosburgh Selectboard members and Residents of Enosburgh,

The Missisquoi River Basin Association (MRBA) again had a great year working to protect and improve water quality throughout our region. As always, our successes come directly from the dedicated volunteers, donors, landowners, and towns that support the work we do with and at our schools, public parks, roadways, farms, private homes, and anywhere water flows.

MRBA Projects and Programs:

Ecological restoration, invasive species, and river clean-up efforts: During 2024, as in most years, MRBA volunteers helped pull trash from our riverbanks, assisted with our continued study of non-chemical ways to combat Japanese knotweed, and assisted with tree plantings. An additional 750 trees were planted along our waterways in 2024. Our thanks to the volunteers and landowners we worked with this year!

Water quality sampling: MRBA staff collected water quality samples from 19 locations within our watershed (five in Enosburgh!) to monitor stream health during 2024.

Assisting farmers and landowners: In addition to implementing projects (tree plantings, etc.), we also conducted several site assessments this year. These are designed to help residents and landowners understand what water may be doing on these properties, and ways any negative impacts may be mitigated. We really enjoy providing these "Stream Wise" assessments - let us know if you have a stream you'd like us to come walk with you in 2025!

Events and educational programs: We are always excited to connect with our younger watershed residents, and enjoy providing hands-on educational opportunities to students through our watershed model, rainfall simulator, Bugworks program, and by helping provide the Enosburgh Fishing Festival. In 2024, we also connected with 218 down-watershed students through Lake Lessons.

We respectfully request the Town's support of MRBA through a \$500 donation so that we may continue to serve our community with these programs. Your appropriation will help us continue to provide programs, assist landowners, and will help us continue expanding and increasing the skills of our team, so that we may better serve our watershed towns.

Your support of our organization in past years is so greatly appreciated and the funds have been put to good use. We thank you very much for your consideration of our 2025 request.

Sincerely,

John Little, MRBA President

Missisquoi River Basin Association (MRBA)

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TOWN OF ENOSBURGH REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2024 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Last year, Age Well served 358 individuals from Enosburgh, services included:



233 calls to the Helpline



417 hours of Case Management



2,478 Meals on Wheels delivered 3,089 Congregate Meals served 1,311 Grab & Go Meals served



56 hours of Options Counseling

10 Enosburgh residents volunteered 854 hours

COST BREAKDOWN OF OUR SERVICES

Age Well services are provided at no cost, but we want to emphasize the value we provide to your community. In FY24, we delivered services valued at \$154,557 to Enosburgh residents.

State Health Insurance Program: \$78.86 per hour

Case Management: \$122.41 per hour
Options Counseling: \$101.56 per hour
Information & Assistance: \$25.33 per hour

Meals on Wheels: \$10.29 per meal Congregate Meals: \$12.81 per meal Grab and Go Meals: \$10.50 per meal

Volunteers: \$15.33 per hour

1 YEAR 1 DAY 10 DAYS

MEALS ON WHEELS CAN SERVE A PERSON FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR FOR ABOUT THE SAME COST AS JUST 1 DAY IN A HOSPITAL OR 10 DAYS IN A NURSING HOME

ABOUT AGE WELL

Since 1974, Age Well has provided Vermonters with the necessary support to manage their daily living needs, with the goal of keeping them active, healthy, and independent. As the leading experts and advocates for the aging population, we believe that health happens at home and focuses on lifestyle, happiness, and wellness—not on age.

Committed to helping individuals age well, we reduce barriers by providing access to healthy meals, in-home care, expertise on Medicare and insurance, long-term and short-term care options, transportation to medical appointments, translations services, a Helpline, and many more community resources in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, and Grand Isle Counties.

As a 501(c)3 nonprofit, we do not charge for our services. We rely on donations and encourage clients to contribute if they are able to do so.

MISSION: TO PROVIDE THE SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE THAT INSPIRES OUR COMMUNITY TO EMBRACE AGING WITH CONFIDENCE.



GREEN UP VERMONT www.greenupvermont.org

Success on Green Up Day May 4, 2024



Green Up Day, saw a 30% growth in volunteers over 2023, picked up over four tons of litter and 15,813 tires. In flood clean-up projects we took care of an additional 10,000 tires. We also attempted a Guinness World Records® title and succeeded! The record is: "The Most Pledges Received to Pick Up Trash in 24 Hours." Vermont is the only State in the nation that can boast this achievement and the only State that offers a program like Green Up Day. As one of Vermont's favorite traditions, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont, and keep residents civically engaged.

Green Up initiatives are year-round and further our environmental impact with waste reduction programs, additional clean-up efforts, and educational initiatives. We received a special flood recovery donation from Subaru of New England and have been able to rally volunteers and pay for many flood clean-up projects across the State.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are requesting level funding for 2025.

Thank you for supporting this crucial program that takes care of where we all get to live, work and play.

Be an Environmental Hero – Donate on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or at www.greenupvermont.org.

2025 Green Up Day is May 3rd.

Green Up Vermont is a 501c3 nonprofit.

FY 2024

Town of Enosburgh Falls, Vermont:

Cat Crusaders of Franklin County, Inc is an organization created to reduce the number of stray and abandoned cats in Franklin County. Our mission and goal is to stabilize barn-cat colonies and reduce the number of free-roaming cats and kittens in the Franklin County area, through Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR). TNR is an efficient and cost-effective method for stabilizing and reducing outdoor cat populations and improving the overall health of the cats. The cats are humanely trapped, spayed/neutered, vaccinated and then returned to the original environment, or if unable to be returned and are friendly, are surrendered to local rescues and/or shelters, where they are adopted out.

CCFC is not a shelter; our team of volunteers works with area caretakers and farmers to provide TNR services. CCFC is a registered 501c3 organization.

Please consider making a charitable donation to help cover the expenses of the only TNR program in Franklin county.

Requested donation in the amount of \$__1000.00___. (For tax deduction purposes, the CCFC Federal EIN is 08-3405547).

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Jamie Rushford, President

Mail Donation(s) to:

Cat Crusaders of Franklin County, Inc c/o Jamie Rushford PO Box 103 Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

email: catcrusadersoffranklincounty@gmail.com

Facebook Page: Cat Crusaders of Franklin County-Vermont

Re: Request for Town Appropriation - Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program

Dear Board of Selectpersons, Town Clerks and Auditors:

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, I am writing to request your support for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program. The RFP program helps Vermont communities protect lives, property, and natural resources by enhancing fire suppression resources. Program Manager and Engineering Technician Troy Dare helps local fire departments identify appropriate sites for dry hydrants and other rural water supply systems, designs installations, and finds financial resources to support the costs of construction. During the 27+ years of the program, 1,224 grants totaling over \$2.9 million have been provided to Vermont towns for the installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

The Rural Fire Protection Program is managed by the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD). VACD is the membership association of Vermont's fourteen Natural Resources Conservations Districts, whose mission is to work with landowners and communities to protect natural resources and support the working landscape throughout the state.

The Rural Fire Protection Grant Program offers State grant awards up to \$10,000 per project. Additional Federal funding can provide an additional \$5,000-\$10,000 per project for more expensive special case projects. New rural fire protection systems, along with repair, replacement, relocation, upgrades of existing systems, drafting site development, and bridge mounted dry hydrants are eligible for grant funding on an ongoing basis. And we now consider applications from Vermont towns and fire departments on a revolving basis throughout the year rather than just once a year.

The annual expense of the Rural Fire Protection Program in FY 2023 was \$227,662 of which \$105,483 was paid in grants to support the construction and repair of 13 rural fire protection projects throughout Vermont. The remaining budget covered site assessments, project design and program oversight. Most of our funding comes from the Division of Fire Safety of the Vermont Department of Public Safety, through annual appropriations by the Vermont Legislature. In addition, the program receives support from the US Forest Service through the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation. Unfortunately, these grants do not completely cover the costs of the program. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that you include a \$200 appropriation in your town budget to support the Rural Fire Protection Program. In FY 2023, we received \$9,150 in town appropriations from 90 towns. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support.

235 Vermont communities have benefitted from the Rural Fire Protection program. Our goal is to extend this support to all Vermont towns and continue to assist local fire departments in reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources, thereby improving the safety and welfare of Vermont communities.

Enclosed please find the financial reports for the Rural Water Supply Grant Program, as well as an invoice and W-9 from VACD in case they are required. VACD's tax form 990 is also available upon

request. Please feel free to contact me, Troy Dare, or Jill Arace, Executive Director of VACD, with any questions you may have. Our contact information is provided below. If you would like to receive this appropriation request by mail instead of by email, please contact Troy Dare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Troy Dare, Program Manager & contact person for Town Appropriation business Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program (802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com

Jill Arace, Executive Director Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD) (802) 496-5162 | jill.arace@vacd.org

Rural Fire Protection Task Force Members:

Bill Sanborn, Chair, Town of Maidstone
Walter Bothfeld, Jr., Cabot Volunteer Fire Department
Tyler Hermanson, VT Enhanced 9-1-1
Mike Greenia, Vermont Division of Fire Safety, Department of Public Safety
Dan Dilner, VT Forest Parks & Recreation
Haley Pero, Senator Bernie Sanders Office