

ANNUAL REPORT  
of the Town of  
**Baltimore**



*For the Year Ending  
December 31, 2021*

## NOTES

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TOWN OF BALTIMORE, VERMONT

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TOWN WARNING  
FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Because of the Covid-19 Pandemic the Town of Baltimore's 2022 Town Meeting was Postponed.

The legal voters of the Town of Baltimore, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Baltimore Town Hall on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles.

**Article I:** To elect a moderator for the year ensuing.

**Article II:** To act on Town Reports of the Town.

**Article III:** To elect all Town Officials as the law directs.

**Article IV:** Shall the voters authorize a total GENERAL FUND expenditure of \$53,914.00, of which \$33,914.00 to be raised by taxes and \$20,000.00 carried forward from 2021 year-end General Fund surplus to cover anticipated 2023 Town operating expenses?

**Article V:** Shall the voters approve the transfer of \$6,000.00 from the 2021 General Fund surplus into the Building Repair Fund to pay for proposed Town Office building maintenance and upgrade?

**Article VI:** Shall the voters authorize a total HIGHWAY FUND expenditure of \$94,200.00, of which \$60,200.00 shall be raised by taxes, \$19,000.00 from anticipated State Aid Revenue, and \$15,000.00 carried forward from 2021 year-end Highway Fund surplus to cover anticipated 2023 Highway expenses?

**Article VII:** Shall the voters approve the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the 2021 Highway Fund surplus into the Highway Expense Contingency Fund to meet unanticipated highway expenses?

**Article VIII:** To see what date in 2022 the town will set for the payment of local property taxes to be paid into the Town Treasury.

**Article IX:** To do any other Town business legal and proper when met not to involve expenditures of the Town.

Board of Selectmen

Walter Rich, Chair  
Daniel Cox  
John Lomachinsky

## TOWN OFFICIALS

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|   |                                      |                    |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Moderator                                       | elected yearly                       | Joan Whaley        |
| Town Clerk                                      | TE 2023                              | Deborah Bean       |
| Town Treasurer                                  | TE 2023                              | Deborah Bean       |
| Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer                | (appointed by Town Clerk)            | Sandra Rich        |
| Selectmen                                       | TE 2022                              | Daniel Cox         |
|   | TE 2023                              | John Lomachinsky   |
|   | TE 2024                              | Walter Rich*       |
| Listers   | TE 2022                              | Al Coonradt        |
|   | TE 2023                              | Joan Whaley        |
|   | TE 2024                              | Kathy Muther       |
| Auditors  | TE 2022                              | Christine Campbell |
|   | TE 2023                              | Sheila Patch       |
|   | TE 2024                              | Martha Jewett      |
| Road Commissioner                               | (appointed by Selectmen)             | Orson Kendall      |
| Road Commissioner                               | (appointed by Selectmen)             | L Wayne Wheelock   |
| Delinquent Tax Collector                        | TE 2024                              | Janet Kendall      |
| Town Constable                                  | (appointed by Selectmen)             | Orson Kendall      |
| Town Grand Juror                                | elected yearly                       | Steve Waldo        |
| Town Agent                                      | elected yearly                       | Derek Bruce        |
| Trustee of Public Funds                         | elected yearly                       | Deborah Bean       |
| Trustees of Campbell Fund                       | TE 2022                              | Louanne Metcalf    |
|   | TE 2023                              | Jennifer Chambers  |
|   | TE 2024                              | Orson Kendall      |
| Cemetery Commissioner                           | (appointed by Selectmen)             | Vacant             |
| Green Mountain Unified School District Director | TE March 2024                        | L Wayne Wheelock   |
| Fire Warden                                     | (appointed by Selectmen 5 Year Term) | Mark Whaley        |
|   | TE March 2024                        |                    |
| Justices of the Peace                           | (elected at General Election)        | Kevin Gould        |
|   |                                      | Martha Jewett      |
|   |                                      | Robert L. Metcalf  |
|   |                                      | Kathy Muther       |
|   |                                      | L Wayne Wheelock   |
| Health Officer                                  | (appointed by Selectmen)             | Mark Whaley        |
| Fence Viewers                                   | (appointed by Selectmen)             | +                  |
| Inspector of Lumber, Shingles & Wood            | (appointed by Selectmen)             | +                  |
| Weigher of Coal                                 | (appointed by Selectmen)             | +                  |

**TOWN OFFICIALS**

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|   |                          |   |
|---|--------------------------|---|
| Tree Warden                                       | (appointed by Selectmen) | Daniel Cox  |
| Town Service Officer                              | (appointed by Selectmen) | Louanne Metcalf   |
| Zoning Administrator                              | (appointed by Selectmen) | George (Bay) Wheeler  |
| Zoning Board of Adjustment                        | (appointed by Selectmen) | Thomas Tourville<br>L. Wayne Wheelock<br>Edward Wilson<br>Orson Kendall<br>Donald Jewett* |
| Planning Commission                               |                          | TE 2022 Joan Whaley   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | TE 2022 Orson Kendall   |
|   |                          | TE 2023 Loreen Billings   |
|   |                          | TE 2023 L. Wayne Wheelock   |
|   |                          | TE 2024 Roland Doucette   |
|   |                          | TE 2024 Kevin Gould   |
| Mount Ascutney Regional Commission Representative |                          |   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | L. Wayne Wheelock   |
|   | Alternate                | Steve Waldo   |
| Solid Waste Management District Representative    |                          |   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | Rebecca Lomachinsky   |
|   | Alternate                | L. Wayne Wheelock   |
| Senior Solutions Council on Aging Representative  |                          |   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | Brenda Wheeler  |
| Emergency Management Director                     |                          |   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | Mark Whaley   |
| Transportation Advisory Committee                 |                          |   |
| (appointed by Selectmen)                          |                          | L. Wayne Wheelock   |
|   | Alternate                | Vacant  |

\* Chairperson

+ These positions were not filled by the Selectboard in accordance with Title 24 V.S.A. § 871.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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### ASSETS

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| Highway Fund  |                      |
| Balance of Highway Account, December 31, 2021             | \$ 117,251.92        |
| Outstanding checks  | (14,975.96)          |
| Total Highway Fund  | \$ 102,275.96        |
| <br>  |                      |
| General Fund  |                      |
| Balance of General Account, December 31, 2021             | \$ 340,364.71        |
| Outstanding checks & EFT's                                | (254,558.48)         |
| Remainder   | \$ 85,806.23         |
| Accounts Receivable- delinquent taxes owed as of 12/31/21 | 23,229.85            |
| Accounts Receivable- delinquent taxes paid not deposited  | 0.00                 |
| Total General Fund  | \$ 109,036.08        |
| <br>  |                      |
| Cash on Hand  | \$ 257.94            |
| <br>  |                      |
| Other Funds (Account Balances as of 12/31/21):            |                      |
| Campbell Fund   | \$ 26,622.77         |
| Campbell Fund - Savings Bonds                             | 4,000.00             |
| Cemetery Fund   | 679.00               |
| Community Affairs Fund                                    | 4,247.88             |
| Highway Equipment Fund                                    | 11,540.02            |
| Jake Smith Fund   | 762.24               |
| Baltimore Memorial Fund                                   | 5,294.04             |
| Preservation Fund   | 10,592.29            |
| Reappraisal Fund  | 12,804.76            |
| Highway Expense Contingency Fund                          | 60,318.45            |
| Building Repair Fund                                      | 1,625.41             |
| General Contingency / Reserve Fund                        | 19,352.04            |
| American Rescue Plan County Fund                          | 23,794.95            |
| American Rescue Plan Town Fund                            | 12,824.66            |
| Hammond Scholarship Fund                                  | 26,279.86            |
| Ella Graves Memorial Fund                                 | 28,984.07            |
| Total Other Funds   | \$ 249,722.44        |
| <br>  |                      |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                                       | <b>\$ 461,292.42</b> |

### LIABILITIES

The following town officials are covered by surety bonds:

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Deborah Bean, Treasurer of Town Funds   | \$1,000.00 |
| Janet Kendall, Delinquent Tax Collector | \$1,000.00 |

We are pleased to report that the Town of Baltimore remains debt free.

Auditors: Martha Jewett  
Christine Campbell  
Sheila Patch

**PROPERTY AND TAX RATE DATA**

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|                           | <b>Residential</b> | <b>Nonresidential</b> |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Grand List Tax Rate       | \$1.9044           | \$2.0026              |
| Town                      | \$0.2125           | \$0.2125              |
| Highway                   | \$0.1179           | \$0.1179              |
| Education                 | \$1.5623           | \$1.6605              |
| Municipal Voted Agreement | \$0.0117           | \$0.0117              |

**Tax Rate Distribution**

|           |       |       |
|-----------|-------|-------|
| Town      | 11.8% | 11.2% |
| Highway   | 6.2%  | 5.9%  |
| Education | 82.0% | 82.9% |

State-Aid Highways:      4.36 miles

Town Highways:            2.70 miles

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

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**GENERAL FUND**

**Community Bank Account**

**Balance as of January 1, 2021** \$ 329,877.38

**Receipts**

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Deposits                    | 346,516.68 |
| Transfers from Highway Fund | 8,715.21   |
| Interest                    | 20.08      |
|                             | 20.08      |

**Total Receipts** \$ 355,251.97

**Expenditures**

|                              |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 2020 checks cleared in 2021  | \$ 259,312.95 |
| 2021 checks cleared in 2021  | 39,942.57     |
| 2020 ACH W/D cleared in 2021 | 205.00        |
| ACH W/D                      | 6,184.12      |

**Transfers**

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| To Highway Fund         | 36,700.00 |
| To Campbell Fund        | 150.00    |
| To Preservation Fund    | 1,270.00  |
| To Building Repair Fund | 1,000.00  |
|                         | 1,000.00  |

**Total Expenditures** (\$ 344,764.64)

**Balance as of December 31, 2021** \$ 340,364.71

(Outstanding Checks 2021) (\$ 254,367.48)

(Outstanding EFT 2021) (\$ 191.00)

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

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**HIGHWAY FUND**

**Community Bank Account**

**Balance as of January 1, 2021** \$ 122,575.50

**Receipts**

Deposits 80,656.05

Interest 18.93

Transfers from General Fund 36,700.00

**Total Receipts** \$ 117,374.98

**Expenditures**

2020 checks cleared in 2021 \$ 7,311.93

2021 checks cleared in 2021 59,246.35

**Transfers**

To General Fund for Payroll Taxes 754.21

To General Fund for Current Taxes 5,098.00

To General Fund for Misc 2,863.00

To American Rescue Plan County Fund 23,794.19

To American Rescue Plan Town Fund 12,824.25

To Highway Expense Contingency Fund 10,556.68

To General Contingency / Reserve Fund 249.95

**Total Expenditures** (\$122,698.56)

**Balance as of December 31, 2021** \$ 117,251.92

(Outstanding Checks 2021) (\$ 14,975.96)

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**MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS**

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**Campbell Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

**Balance as of January 1, 2021** \$ 26,416.60

Deposits

Interest from Bonds 150.00

Interest 56.17

**Total Deposits** \$ 206.17

**Total Expenditures** (0.00)

**Balance as of December 31, 2021** \$ 26,622.77

**Savings Bonds:**

**4 \$1000 Series H Bonds** \$ 4,000.00

**Cemetery Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

**Balance as of January 1, 2021** \$ 428.88

Deposits 250.00

Interest 0.12

Expenditures (0.00)

**Balance as of December 31, 2021** \$ 679.00

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

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**MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS (cont'd)**

**Community Affairs Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 4,247.04        |
| Deposits                               | 0.00               |
| Interest                               | 0.84               |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)             |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 4,247.88</b> |

**Highway Equipment Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 11,537.77        |
| Deposits                               | 0.00                |
| Interest                               | 2.25                |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)              |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 11,540.02</b> |

**Jake Smith Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 762.12        |
| Deposits                               | 0.00             |
| Interest                               | 0.12             |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)           |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 762.24</b> |

**Baltimore Memorial Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 5,293.00        |
| Deposits                               | 0.00               |
| Interest                               | 1.04               |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)             |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 5,294.04</b> |

**Preservation Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 9,320.45         |
| Deposits – Transfer from General Fund  | 1,270.00            |
| Interest                               | 1.84                |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)              |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 10,592.29</b> |

**Reappraisal Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 12,802.26        |
| Deposits                               | 0.00                |
| Interest                               | 2.50                |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)              |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 12,804.76</b> |

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

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**MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS (cont'd)**

**Building Repair Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 1,426.18        |
| Deposits – Transfer from General Fund  | 1,000.00           |
| Interest                               | 0.35               |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>                  | <u>\$ 1,000.35</u> |
| Expenditures                           |                    |
| Bibens – New Back Door                 | 801.12             |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>              | (\$ 801.12)        |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 1,625.41</b> |

**Highway Expense Contingency Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>             | \$ 63,057.46        |
| Deposits   |                     |
| Transfer from Highway Fund – Grant Reimbursement | 10,556.68           |
| Interest   | 10.82               |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>                            | <u>\$ 10,567.50</u> |
| Expenditures                                     |                     |
| Stormwater Management Annual Fee                 | 500.00              |
| Jarvis & Sons for Grant Work                     | 12,806.51           |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                        | (\$13,306.51)       |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b>           | <b>\$ 60,318.45</b> |

**General Contingency / Reserve Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>             | \$ 21,604.31        |
| Deposits   |                     |
| Transfer from Highway Fund                       | 249.95              |
| Interest   | 4.02                |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>                            | <u>\$ 253.97</u>    |
| Expenditures                                     |                     |
| 2020 check cleared in 2021                       | 183.00              |
| New Copier                                       | 1,200.00            |
| Department of Public Safety Reimbursement Return | 88.00               |
| Generator Maintenance                            | 64.74               |
| Shed Materials                                   | 970.50              |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                        | (\$ 2,506.24)       |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b>           | <b>\$ 19,352.04</b> |
| (Outstanding check 2021 – Repair of Dry Hydrant) | (\$ 1,710.00)       |

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

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**MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS (cont'd)**

**American Rescue Plan County Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                            |
|--|----------------------------|
| <b>Account Opened November 4, 2021</b> | \$ 0.00                    |
| Deposits – Transfer from Highway       | 23,794.19                  |
| Interest                               | 0.76                       |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)                     |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <u><b>\$ 23,794.95</b></u> |

**American Rescue Plan Town Fund**

**Community Bank Account**

|  |                            |
|--|----------------------------|
| <b>Account Opened November 4, 2021</b> | \$ 0.00                    |
| Deposits – Transfer from Highway       | 12,824.25                  |
| Interest                               | 0.41                       |
| Expenditures                           | (0.00)                     |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <u><b>\$ 12,824.66</b></u> |

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**HENRY H. HAMMOND AND MARGARET B. HAMMOND**

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**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

In April 1988, the Henry H. and Margaret B. Hammond Scholarship fund was established in the Town of Baltimore. \$25,000 was invested in a fund managed by Edwin J. Fowler.

A scholar applying for a scholarship must write a letter to the trustees stating the college and the address along with his or her social security number. The college must be in the State of Vermont. The sum of money will be sent to the college of the applicant's choice.

No principal can be invaded at any time unless the Town of Baltimore fails to utilize the income of the trust.

Scholarships for 2021 were awarded to the following students:

**Abigail Williams**

**Elisabeth Griswold**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 26,279.86</b> |
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**Trustees:**

**Rebecca Lomachinsky, Treasurer**

**Joan Whaley, Chairperson**

**Erica Blais, Secretary**

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**ELLA GRAVES MEMORIAL FUND**

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**Community Bank Account**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| <b>Balance as of January 1, 2021</b>   | \$ 28,909.33        |
| Deposits                               |                     |
| Interest                               | <u>74.74</u>        |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>                  | \$ 74.74            |
| Expenditures                           |                     |
| Medical Bills Paid                     | <u>0.00</u>         |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>              | (\$ 0.00)           |
| <b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b> | <b>\$ 28,984.07</b> |

**Policy for administering payments**

The following conditions must be met to receive payment from the Ella Graves Fund:

- Only Interest gains from the Ella Graves Fund can be used for payment.
- If the total available amount or interest gain is less than \$50.00 then the fund should be closed until the total available amount is equal to or greater than \$50.00.
- The person requesting payment from the Ella Graves Fund for his or her medical bill must be a resident of the Town of Baltimore.
- If a person requesting payment from the Ella Graves Fund has separate medical insurance, then any balances due, after payments from the insurance company will be considered for payment through the Ella Graves Fund.
- A recipient must submit a onetime medical bill to the town for Selectboard approval. In other words, they may not submit balances on the same bill for future consideration.
- An approved payment from the Ella Graves Fund will be made directly by the town to the medical facility indicated on the bill.
- No greater than 20% of the available funds should be used for consideration of payment, during any review period.
- If there are multiple recipient submissions during the review period, then the total funds available for that review period will be divided evenly among the recipients.

Signed by the Baltimore Board of Selectmen October 5, 2016.

Walter Rich  
Kevin Gould  
Danial Cox

**REPORT OF THE DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR**

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**PAYMENTS COLLECTED 01/01/21 THRU 12/31/21  
FOR 2019, 2020, 2021 & 2022 TAXES**

|                               | <u>Tax Year</u>     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Dean, Charles                 | 2019                |
| Reed, Douglas & Kristen       | 2019                |
| Reed, Douglas & Kristen       | 2020                |
| Austin, Kevin & Tracy         | 2021                |
| Free, Chad & Orchitt, Jessica | 2021                |
| Hammond, Richard              | 2021                |
| Messer, Robert & Sandra       | 2021                |
| Reed, Douglas & Kristen       | 2021                |
| Williams, T Ryder             | 2021                |
| Reed, Douglas & Kristen       | 2022                |
| Thomas, Wayne & Wilma         | 2022                |
| Tomaro, Anthony               | 2022                |
| Williams, T Ryder             | 2022                |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED</b> | <b>\$ 27,195.57</b> |

**DELINQUENT TAXES DUE as of 12/31/21**

|                         | <u>Tax Year</u>     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Dean, Charles           | 2020                |
| Dwinell, Danuel         | 2022                |
| Glidden, Raylene        | 2022                |
| Glidden, Raylene        | 2022                |
| Hammond, Richard        | 2022                |
| Moye, Thomas            | 2022                |
| Nergaryan, Artur        | 2022                |
| Reed, Douglas & Kristen | 2022                |
| Reese, Amanda           | 2022                |
| Tomaro, Anthony         | 2022                |
| Williams, T Ryder       | 2022                |
| <b>TOTAL TAXES OWED</b> | <b>\$ 23,229.85</b> |

## TOWN OF BALTIMORE

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### Policy for Collection of Delinquent Taxes

- As soon as the warrant has been received, the tax collector may send a notice to each delinquent taxpayer indicating the amount of taxes, penalty and interest owed.
- After due date (12-1) of taxes, interest will be added at 1% per month for three months, then at 1.5% per month until paid in full. A one-time charge of 8% is also charged.
- If a delinquent taxpayer has not made arrangements for satisfactory monthly payments to the delinquent tax collector or if prior agreement has not been made, the property will be put up for a tax sale.
  1. The collector will notify the taxpayer of the tax sale decision, the date by which full payment must be received, and the costs to expect once the sale process begins.
  2. The collector will also notify all mortgage holders, lessees and lien holders.
  3. Once the deadline date has expired and full payment has not been received, the collector will proceed with tax sale according to the procedures specified in 32 V.S.A. ~ 5252.
  4. Costs of preparing and conducting the sale, including legal fees up to a maximum of 15% of the amount of the delinquent tax, will be charged to the delinquent taxpayer.
- Partial payments will be accepted only when a delinquent tax agreement has been signed by the delinquent taxpayer(s) and delinquent tax collector.
- Partial payments will be applied first to the interest portion of the amount due, the remainder will be divided proportionally between the principal amount of the tax and the 8% fee.
- Payments will be applied to the oldest (tax year) account first.
- There will be no grace period allowed for the late payment.
- Mortgage holders and lien holders will be notified of the delinquent taxes 30 days after the first notice has been sent out.

## REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

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Office Hours:

Wednesday 4:00-6:00PM

Thursday 9:00-11:00AM

And by appointment

Telephone: 802-263-5274

Email: [baltimorevt@tds.net](mailto:baltimorevt@tds.net)

Website: <http://www.baltimorevt.org>

Facebook: Town Office of Baltimore, VT

The Town Office is currently open but requests those visiting to please wear a facemask and respect social distancing, unless at a later date, the situation changes.

You can find a great deal of information posted on our website: ***baltimorevt.org***

### **Rabies Clinic**

I do not expect that we will offer a Rabies Clinic this year due to the continuing Covid-19 presence.

*You may mail a current rabies certificate with the appropriate fee and we will send, by return mail your dog's tag and license.* We also now have a Drop Box which is located just to the right of the door.

Dogs must have a current rabies shot and be licensed on or before April 1, 2022. The fees through April 1, 2023 are as follows:

|                     |         |                        |
|---------------------|---------|------------------------|
| Neutered or spayed: | \$ 9.00 | After April 1: \$11.00 |
| Unaltered dog:      | 13.00   | \$17.00                |
| Pet Dealer:         | 25.00   |                        |
| Special License:    | 31.00   |                        |
| Extra dogs:         | 3.00    |                        |

Please visit Baltimore's Facebook page. You may find us as: Town Office of Baltimore, VT. Please let us know if there is any news you would like included. As previously mentioned we also have website: ***baltimorevt.org***. This site has ongoing information about meetings, activities and links to other sites of interest. In addition, you can find forms for building permits, etc.

We have copies of Steve Aikenhead's *There Really is a Baltimore Vermont* and his sequel *More Stories-There Really is a Baltimore Vermont*. The cost is \$5.00 each. In addition, we again have copies of *The History of the Town of Baltimore* for \$10.00 each.

In addition, there is a small "Take a Book-Leave a Book" Library here at the Town Office should anyone be interested.

I would like to thank Sandy Rich for her continued assistance in so many ways. I also appreciate the help of so many others who do so much during the year. It is truly a blessing of small towns.

Many thanks also, to the Board of Selectmen for their ongoing support.

Debby Bean, Town Clerk

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## VITAL STATISTICS

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MARRIAGES - 0

BIRTHS - 0

DEATHS – 2

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## MISC TOWN NOTICES

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### **Green Up Day**

Saturday May 7, 2022

All Day – Anytime

Pick bags up at the Town Office.

A special thanks to those individuals that pick up  
all year round!!

### **Annual Fishing Derby**

Thomas's Pond

Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00AM

For more information, contact

Joan Whaley 802-263-5680

### **Town Wide Yard Sale**

1st Saturday in August

9-4 PM (Rain or Shine)

Please contact Alice Page in July to be placed

on map at [yardsale802@yahoo.com](mailto:yardsale802@yahoo.com)

or 802-263-9343

\$1.00 donation appreciated to cover  
advertising costs

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## NOTE REGARDING SCHOOL REPORTS

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The Green Mountain Unified School District is producing a separate report.  
A notice will be sent advising when the report is ready and how to obtain a copy.

## OPEN LETTER TO THE CITIZENS OF BALTIMORE

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### Report from the Town of Baltimore Board of Selectmen:

#### Town Activity:

- The Fire & Ambulance Contract Agreement with the Town of Springfield for 2023 has not yet been finalized. Last year it was level funded at \$9,000.00 for years 2021 and 2022. The Selectboard will contact the Town of Springfield to obtain the projected cost for 2023.
- There were additional improvements made to the Town Office. The town generator can now be moved outside of the Town building via slide rails when in use and easily returned to its location when it is not running. A storage building was built which will be used for storage of highway equipment, road signs and grader lubricants. At this point, payment for the upgrades or required activity has been paid for by the Building Repair fund, General Fund Contingency and the contribution of material and labor by town personnel.

The Selectboard is looking ahead at additional work that may be required in the basement of the Town building, such as increased ventilation and minimizing moisture accumulation, replacement of the Town Office furnace as well as installation of the town office flooring. The Selectboard would like to have all of this discussed during our Town Meeting to get public input relative to future Town Office improvements.

As reported last year, the following work was previously done to either meet safety codes or to preserve the Town Office building. The Selectboard, along with public comment, felt that the building was in need of painting and other maintenance issue.

| <u>Work Done</u>            | <u>Account</u>           | <u>Cost</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Chimney Rebuild             | Building Repair Fund     | \$5,670.00  |
| Steel Chimney Liner         | General Fund Contingency | \$2,260.00  |
| External Painting of Office | Building Repair Fund     | \$5,418.00  |

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- Each year the snowmobile club meets with the town to discuss snowmobiling activity within the town limits. The club representative indicated that he was familiar with, and agreed with, the town policy regarding snowmobile activity within town limits. It was verified that the club certificate of insurance had been received and was on record by the town. The Selectboard approved the continued snowmobile club activity though the 2022 season.
- Various pieces of documentation from the state were approved or signed by the Selectboard. Some of this has to be acted on yearly.

#### Highway Activity:

- Routine Class 2 & Class 3 highway maintenance was performed where needed. This activity included truck loads of stone to repair muddy areas of the town roads due to Spring conditions along with grading and the replacement of road surface material. One chloride application to the Class 2 and Class 3 roads was also completed this year.

## **OPEN LETTER TO THE CITIZENS OF BALTIMORE (cont'd)**

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- A Better Roads Grant was used for 80% payment of stone line ditching of a segment of the Gould Road. This was a required segment that was indicated by the Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP) Inventory, and was required to be accomplished.
- The winter road maintenance agreement for season 2022-2023 was submitted by Gurney Brothers and the agreement was approved by the Selectboard.

Routine Town business was conducted on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Because of COVID-19 some meetings were conducted via ZOOM. The date, time and place of this year's Regular Selectboard Meeting will be established at the Selectboard Organizational Meeting which typically is the first Selectboard Meeting after Town Meeting. The results of the Organizational Meeting will be posted at the Town Office and on the Town Website [baltimorevt.org](http://baltimorevt.org) via minutes of the meeting.

The Selectmen would like to acknowledge the excellent assistance provided by the Town Clerk and the Assistant Town Clerk as well as the services rendered by all of the Town Officials and volunteers.

The Selectmen of the Town of Baltimore encourage your attendance at our Selectboard Meetings and welcome your comments and concerns.

Walter Rich  
Selectboard, Chair

**SELECTMEN'S BUDGET****General Fund Expenditures & Budget**

|                            | <b>2021<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2021<br/>Spent</b> | <b>2022<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2023<br/>Proposed</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>BUILDING</b>            |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Electric                   | \$ 700.00                | \$ 508.76             | \$ 700.00                | \$ 700.00                |
| Heat                       | 2,000.00                 | 1,162.61              | 2,000.00                 | 2,000.00                 |
| Maintenance                | 700.00                   | 117.34                | 500.00                   | 500.00                   |
| <b>Total Building</b>      | <b>\$ 3,400.00</b>       | <b>\$ 1,788.71</b>    | <b>\$ 3,200.00</b>       | <b>\$ 3,200.00</b>       |
| <b>PAYROLL/EXPENSE</b>     |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Asst. Clerk/Treasurer      | \$ 7,000.00              | \$ 6,912.00           | \$ 7,000.00              | \$ 7,350.00              |
| Auditors                   | 900.00                   | 900.00                | 900.00                   | 900.00                   |
| Constables                 | 150.00                   | 0.00                  | 150.00                   | 160.00                   |
| Listers                    | 1,100.00                 | 157.50                | 1,100.00                 | 1,155.00                 |
| Selectmen                  | 1,500.00                 | 1,500.00              | 1,500.00                 | 1,500.00                 |
| Town Clerk /Treasurer      | 12,600.00                | 12,600.00             | 12,600.00                | 12,600.00                |
| Delinquent Tax Collector   | 0.00                     | 1,408.91              | 0.00                     | 0.00                     |
| Payroll Taxes              | 1,875.00                 | 1,612.49              | 1,875.00                 | 1,630.00                 |
| <b>Total Payroll/exp.</b>  | <b>\$25,125.00</b>       | <b>\$25,090.90</b>    | <b>\$25,125.00</b>       | <b>\$25,295.00</b>       |
| <b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b>       |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Senior Solutions           | \$ 200.00                | \$ 200.00             | \$ 200.00                | \$ 200.00                |
| Visiting Nurses            | 750.00                   | 750.00                | 750.00                   | 750.00                   |
| SEVCA                      | 300.00                   | 300.00                | 300.00                   | 300.00                   |
| Meels on Wheels            | 100.00                   | 100.00                | 100.00                   | 100.00                   |
| MOOver                     | 300.00                   | 300.00                | 300.00                   | 300.00                   |
| Women's Freedom Center     | 244.00                   | 244.00                | 244.00                   | 244.00                   |
| <b>Total Contributions</b> | <b>\$ 1,894.00</b>       | <b>\$ 1,894.00</b>    | <b>\$ 1,894.00</b>       | <b>\$ 1,894.00</b>       |
| <b>OPERATING</b>           |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Advertising                | \$ 200.00                | \$ 55.00              | \$ 200.00                | \$ 100.00                |
| Annual Dues/Assess.        | 5,000.00                 | 3,145.00              | 5,000.00                 | 4,500.00                 |
| Bonds/Insurance            | 5,000.00                 | 2,865.00              | 5,000.00                 | 4,500.00                 |
| Copier Maintenance         | 300.00                   | 600.00                | 400.00                   | 400.00                   |
| Fire & Ambulance           | 9,500.00                 | 9,000.00              | 9,000.00                 | 9,000.00                 |
| Postage                    | 450.00                   | 347.49                | 450.00                   | 450.00                   |
| Training/Schools/Miles     | 200.00                   | 100.80                | 200.00                   | 200.00                   |
| Telephone                  | 1,300.00                 | 1,481.36              | 1,300.00                 | 1,500.00                 |
| Town Reports               | 650.00                   | 485.00                | 650.00                   | 550.00                   |
| Legal Fees                 | 1,000.00                 | 187.50                | 1,000.00                 | 1,000.00                 |
| <b>Total Operating</b>     | <b>\$23,600.00</b>       | <b>\$18,267.15</b>    | <b>\$23,200.00</b>       | <b>\$22,200.00</b>       |
| <b>Total Office Equip</b>  | <b>\$ 400.00</b>         | <b>\$ 0.00</b>        | <b>\$ 400.00</b>         | <b>\$ 400.00</b>         |

**SELECTMEN'S BUDGET (cont'd)**

**General Fund Expenditures & Budget (cont'd)**

|                                | <b>2021<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2021<br/>Spent</b> | <b>2022<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2023<br/>Proposed</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>SUPPLIES</b>                |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Constables                     | \$ 0.00                  | \$ 0.00               | \$ 0.00                  | \$ 0.00                  |
| Del. Tax Collector             | 100.00                   | 0.00                  | 100.00                   | 100.00                   |
| Listers                        | 225.00                   | 294.50                | 225.00                   | 225.00                   |
| Office                         | 300.00                   | 50.36                 | 300.00                   | 300.00                   |
| Town Clerk                     | 300.00                   | 103.99                | 300.00                   | 300.00                   |
| <b>Total Supplies</b>          | <b>\$ 925.00</b>         | <b>\$ 448.85</b>      | <b>\$ 925.00</b>         | <b>\$ 925.00</b>         |
| <b>Total Education Funding</b> | <b>\$ NA</b>             | <b>\$251,519.00</b>   | <b>\$ NA</b>             |                          |
| <hr/>                          |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>      | <b>\$55,344.00</b>       | <b>\$299,008.61</b>   | <b>\$54,744.00</b>       | <b>\$53,914.00</b>       |
| <br>                           |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| <b>Income</b>                  |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Surplus Carried Forward        | \$ 1,000.00              |                       | \$ 12,000.00             | \$20,000.00              |
| <b>Total Income</b>            | <b>\$ 1,000.00</b>       |                       | <b>\$ 12,000.00</b>      | <b>\$20,000.00</b>       |
| <hr/>                          |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| <b>Budget Total</b>            | <b>\$ 54,344.00</b>      |                       | <b>\$ 42,744.00</b>      | <b>\$33,914.00</b>       |

NA = Not Available-(Calculated by state later in the year)

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**SELECTMEN'S BUDGET (cont'd)**

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**Highway Expenditures & Budget**

|  | <b>2021<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2021<br/>Spent</b> | <b>2022<br/>Approved</b> | <b>2023<br/>Proposed</b> |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Grader</b>                          |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Maintenance                            | \$ 3,000.00              | \$ 126.10             | \$ 2,500.00              | \$ 2,000.00              |
| Fuel & Oil                             | 1,200.00                 | 1,779.64              | 1,200.00                 | 1,700.00                 |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                        | <b>\$ 4,200.00</b>       | <b>\$ 1,905.74</b>    | <b>\$ 3,700.00</b>       | <b>\$ 3,700.00</b>       |
| <b>Highways</b>                        |                          |                       |                          |                          |
| Chloride                               | \$ 5,000.00              | \$ 4,165.00           | \$ 5,000.00              | \$ 5,000.00              |
| Gravel                                 | 14,000.00                | 13,269.00             | 0.00                     | 0.00                     |
| Sand                                   | 35,000.00                | 31,650.00             | 33,000.00                | 33,000.00                |
| Road Repair /<br>Road Surface Material | 3,000.00                 | 13,944.39             | 24,000.00                | 25,000.00                |
| Roadside Ditching /<br>Tree Removal    | 6,000.00                 | 0.00                  | 6,000.00                 | 6,000.00                 |
| Mowing                                 | 2,500.00                 | 0.00                  | 2,500.00                 | 2,500.00                 |
| Snow Plowing                           | 10,000.00                | 5,853.75              | 10,000.00                | 7,500.00                 |
| Culverts                               | 5,000.00                 | 0.00                  | 5,000.00                 | 5,000.00                 |
| Misc Hwy Exp.                          | 0.00                     | 0.00                  | 0.00                     | 0.00                     |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                        | <b>\$ 80,500.00</b>      | <b>\$ 68,882.14</b>   | <b>\$ 85,500.00</b>      | <b>\$ 84,000.00</b>      |
| Road Commissioner                      | \$ 6,000.00              | \$ 3,916.00           | \$ 6,000.00              | \$ 6,000.00              |
| Payroll Taxes                          | 500.00                   | 299.57                | 500.00                   | 500.00                   |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                        | <b>\$ 6,500.00</b>       | <b>\$ 4,215.57</b>    | <b>\$ 6,500.00</b>       | <b>\$ 6,500.00</b>       |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>              | <b>\$ 91,200.00</b>      | <b>\$ 75,003.45</b>   | <b>\$ 95,700.00</b>      | <b>\$ 94,200.00</b>      |
| State Aid Deduct                       | \$ 19,000.00             |                       | \$ 19,000.00             | \$ 19,000.00             |
| Surplus Carried Forward                | 14,000.00                |                       | 36,000.00                | 15,000.00                |
| <b>Total Income</b>                    | <b>\$ 33,000.00</b>      |                       | <b>\$ 55,000.00</b>      | <b>\$ 34,000.00</b>      |
| <b>Budget Total</b>                    | <b>\$ 58,200.00</b>      |                       | <b>\$40,700.00</b>       | <b>\$ 60,200.00</b>      |

**PROPOSED FUND SURPLUS MANAGEMENT TABLE**

|  |                    | % of Budget<br>or Comment |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|
| <b><u>General Fund</u></b>                             |                    |                           |
| Total Assets As Of 12/31/2021                          | \$ 85,806.23       |                           |
| <b><u>Expenses</u></b>                                 |                    |                           |
| Remaining Misc. 2021 Expenses                          | \$ 0.00            |                           |
| Total Expenditures/Budget For 2022                     | <u>54,744.00</u>   |                           |
| Total Expenses   | \$ 54,744.00       |                           |
| Total Unencumbered Surplus                             | \$ 31,062.23       | 56.74%                    |
| <b><u>Proposed General Fund Surplus Management</u></b> |                    |                           |
| Carry Forward To 2023 General Fund Budget              | \$ 20,000.00       | Ref. Article IV:          |
| Transfer To Building Repair Fund                       | <u>6,000.00</u>    | Ref. Article V:           |
| Total  | \$ 26,000.00       |                           |
| <b>Total Remaining GF Surplus</b>                      | <b>\$ 5,062.23</b> | <b>9.25%</b>              |
| <br>   |                    |                           |
| <b><u>Highway Fund</u></b>                             |                    |                           |
| Total Highway Fund Assets As Of 12/31/2021             | \$ 102,275.96      |                           |
| <b><u>Expenses</u></b>                                 |                    |                           |
| Remaining Misc. 2021 Exp - Transfer out                | \$ 0.00            |                           |
| (Total HW Exp. For 2022) – (Expected State Aid)        | <u>76,700.00</u>   |                           |
| Total Expenses   | \$ 76,700.00       |                           |
| Total Unencumbered Surplus                             | \$ 25,575.96       | 33.35%                    |
| <b><u>Proposed Highway Fund Surplus Management</u></b> |                    |                           |
| Carry Forward To 2023 Highway Fund Budget              | \$ 15,000.00       | Ref. Article VI:          |
| Transfer to Highway Contingency Fund                   | <u>5,000.00</u>    | Ref. Article VII:         |
| Total  | \$ 20,000.00       |                           |
| <b>Total Remaining Highway Fund Surplus</b>            | <b>\$ 5,575.96</b> | <b>7.27%</b>              |

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**AUDITORS REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND**

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The following is an accounting of all monies collected and paid in 2021 by the Town of Baltimore:

**Receipts:**

|   |    |            |
|---|----|------------|
| Dog licenses .....  | \$ | 667.00     |
| Interest earned .....   |    | 20.08      |
| Miscellaneous .....   |    | 436.00     |
| Transfer from Highway (Payroll Taxes) .....                       |    | 754.21     |
| Transfer from Highway .....                                       |    | 7,961.00   |
| Permit fees/licenses .....  |    | 120.00     |
| School Refund Previous Year .....                                 |    | 13,109.58  |
| Property Taxes – Current .....                                    |    | 305,423.27 |
| Property taxes – Delinquent (incl. int., commissions, fees) ..... |    | 23,048.53  |
| Recording fees / copies .....                                     |    | 3,294.00   |

**Total Receipts:.....\$354,833.67**

**Expenditures:**

**Building:**

|                              |    |          |
|------------------------------|----|----------|
| Electricity .....            | \$ | 508.76   |
| Heat .....                   |    | 1,162.61 |
| Maintenance / supplies ..... |    | 117.34   |

**Subtotal .....**\$ **1,788.71**

**Contributions:**

|                               |    |        |
|-------------------------------|----|--------|
| Visiting Nurse Alliance ..... | \$ | 750.00 |
| Moover .....                  |    | 300.00 |
| SEVCA .....                   |    | 300.00 |
| Senior Solutions .....        |    | 200.00 |
| Meals On Wheels .....         |    | 100.00 |
| Women’s Freedom Center .....  |    | 244.00 |

**Subtotal .....**\$ **1,894.00**

**Operating:**

|                                  |    |          |
|----------------------------------|----|----------|
| Advertising .....                | \$ | 55.00    |
| Annual Dues .....                |    | 3,145.00 |
| Bonds/insurance .....            |    | 2,865.00 |
| Copier Maintenance .....         |    | 600.00   |
| Dog Tags/licenses .....          |    | 360.12   |
| Fire and ambulance .....         |    | 9,000.00 |
| Fish and Wildlife Licenses ..... |    | 117.00   |
| Office Equipment .....           |    | 0.00     |
| Postage .....                    |    | 347.49   |
| Training/schools/mileage .....   |    | 100.80   |
| Telephone .....                  |    | 1,481.36 |
| Town Reports .....               |    | 485.00   |
| Legal Fees .....                 |    | 187.50   |

**Subtotal .....**\$ **18,744.27**

**AUDITORS REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND (cont'd)**

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**Supplies:**

|                                |    |        |
|--------------------------------|----|--------|
| Delinquent Tax Collector ..... | \$ | 0.00   |
| Listers .....                  |    | 294.50 |
| Office .....                   |    | 50.36  |
| Town Clerk .....               |    | 103.99 |

**Subtotal .....** \$ **448.85**

**Payroll:**

|   |    |           |
|---|----|-----------|
| Assistant Clerk/Treasurer (gross) .....           | \$ | 6,912.00  |
| Auditors .....                                    |    | 900.00    |
| Constable (gross) .....                           |    | 0.00      |
| Listers (gross) .....                             |    | 157.50    |
| Delinquent Tax Collector (gross) .....            |    | 1,408.91  |
| Selectmen .....                                   |    | 1,500.00  |
| Town Clerk/Treasurer (gross) .....                |    | 12,600.00 |
| VT Tax payment 1/5/21 .....                       |    | 205.00    |
| Payroll Expense Error-Town paid for Highway ..... |    | 26.93     |
| Payroll Expense .....                             |    | 1,612.49  |
| Federal & State Taxes Liability for Highway ..... |    | 754.21    |

**Subtotal .....** \$ **26,077.04**

**Education Funding .....** \$ **251,519.00**

**Transfers To:**

|                            |  |           |
|----------------------------|--|-----------|
| Highway Fund .....         |  | 36,700.00 |
| Preservation Fund .....    |  | 1,270.00  |
| Campbell Fund .....        |  | 150.00    |
| Building Repair Fund ..... |  | 1,000.00  |

**Subtotal .....** \$ **39,120.00**

**Total Expenditures: .....** (\$ **339,591.87**)

**AUDITORS REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY FUND**

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**Receipts:**

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Interest .....                   | \$ 18.93         |
| State of Vermont .....           | 80,656.05        |
| Transfer from General Fund ..... | <u>36,700.00</u> |

**Total Receipts** ..... **\$ 117,374.98**

**Expenditures:**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Grader  |                  |
| Maintenance .....   | \$ 126.10        |
| Fuel .....  | 1,779.65         |
| Highways  |                  |
| Chloride .....  | 4,165.00         |
| Gravel .....  | 13,269.00        |
| Sand .....  | 31,650.00        |
| Road Repair .....   | 13,944.39        |
| Roadside .....  | 0.00             |
| Mowing .....  | 0.00             |
| Plowing .....   | 5,853.75         |
| Road Commissioner   |                  |
| Wages (net) .....   | 3,434.43         |
| Payroll Liabilities and Expense – Trans to General Fund ..... | 754.21*          |
| Transfers To  |                  |
| Highway Expense Contingency Fund .....                        | 10,556.68        |
| Reappraisal Fund .....  | 0.00             |
| General Fund .....  | 7,961.00         |
| Highway Equipment Fund .....                                  | 0.00             |
| General Contingency / Reserve Fund .....                      | 249.95           |
| American Rescue Plan County Fund .....                        | 23,794.19        |
| American Rescue Plan Town Fund .....                          | <u>12,824.25</u> |

**Total Expenditures** ..... **(\$130,362.60)**

\* Understated by \$26.93

**DOG LICENSES**

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**SPAYED & NEUTERED**

34 @ \$9.00 ..... \$306.00  
4 @ \$11.00 ..... \$44.00  
**Subtotal.....\$350.00**

**MALES**

5 @ \$13.00 ..... \$65.00  
**Subtotal.....\$65.00**

**FEMALES**

1 @ \$17.00 ..... \$17.00  
12 @ \$13.00 ..... \$156.00  
**Subtotal.....\$173.00**

**SPECIAL LICENSES**

1 @ \$31.00 ..... \$31.00  
**Subtotal.....\$31.00**

**PET DEALER'S PERMIT**

1 @ \$25.00 ..... \$25.00  
**Subtotal.....\$25.00**

**EXTRA DOGS IN KENNELS**

8 @ \$3.00 ..... \$24.00  
**Subtotal.....\$24.00**

**Total.....\$668.00**

## SENIOR SOLUTIONS - COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT

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Senior Solutions, Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont, Inc. has served the residents of Baltimore and Southeastern Vermont since 1973. We have offices in Springfield (main office), Windsor and Brattleboro. Our mission is to promote the well-being and dignity of older adults. Our vision is that every person will age in the place of their choice, with the support they need and the opportunity for meaningful relationships and active engagement in their community.

Our mission and vision have guided us throughout the COVID crisis. All our programs except group wellness and group dining activities have remained operational subject to reasonable precautions. Over the past eighteen months we have built a new cohort of volunteers helping people with groceries, food distributions and other needs. We continue to collaborate closely with local aging-in-place, Cares and Mutual Aid groups to help assure needs are being met in local communities.

Supporting caregivers is an important part of our work. We help them assess needs and options, connect with resources and local programs, and provide short-term respite for those who are caring for loved ones.

As we all know, the population of older adults in Vermont is increasing and so are the many costs associated with providing services. Financial support from the towns we serve is critical as are the voluntary contributions from clients, to help support the services they receive.

We work to develop programs to meet evolving interests and needs. This past year our Friendly Visitor and Vet-to-Vet volunteer visitor programs grew significantly. We offer the HomeMeds program that screens older adults for medication problems such as drug interactions or harmful side effects. Our aquatics programs for arthritis are very popular. We train volunteer instructors in Tai Chi for falls prevention and counselors for our PEARLS home-based program for people with mild depression. We provide financial support for training of volunteers interested in teaching classes in their community or starting new evidence-based wellness programs. Wellness programs are available to anyone 60 and over in Baltimore and throughout our service area of greater Windsor and Windham counties.

**This is a summary of services provided to Baltimore residents in the last year (7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021).**

**Information and Assistance:** 11 Calls or Office Visits. Our HelpLine (1-802-885-2669 or 866-673-8376 toll-free) offers information, referrals and assistance to older Vermonters, their families and caregivers to problem-solve, plan, locate resources and obtain assistance with benefits and completing applications. Callers were assisted with applying for benefits, health insurance problems, housing needs, fuel assistance and many other services. Extensive resources are also on our web site at [www.seniorsolutionsVT.org](http://www.seniorsolutionsVT.org).

## SENIOR SOLUTIONS – COUNSEL ON AGING REPORT (cont'd)

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**Medicare Assistance:** 8 Calls or Office Visits. Baltimore residents received assistance with Medicare issues through our State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). SHIP provides Medicare education and counseling, orientation classes for new Medicare enrollees, and assistance in enrolling in Part D or choosing a drug plan.

**In-Home Social Services:** We provided 1 older adult with in-home case management or other home-based assistance (totaling 2.5 hours) to enable them to remain living safely in their homes. Often minimal services can prevent nursing home placement. A case manager works with an elder at home to create and monitor a plan of care, centered on the individual's personal values and preferences. Many people would not be able to remain in their homes if not for the services of Senior Solutions. We also investigate reports of self-neglect and aid those facing challenges of abuse, neglect, or exploitation using a community collaboration approach.

**Nutrition services and programs** We financially support home-delivered meals, as well as the community meals at Black River Senior Center, Meals & Wheels of Greater Springfield, and other meal sites in our region.

Senior Solutions administers federal and state funds that we provide to local organizations to help them operate senior meals programs and provide food safety, quality monitoring and oversight. However, these funds do not cover the full cost of providing meals, so local meal sites must seek additional funding. Senior Solutions does not use town funding to support the senior meals program, nor do we benefit from any funds that the town gives to local meal sites. Senior Solutions provides the services of a registered dietician to older adults and meal sites. Assistance is also provided with applications for the 3SquaresVT (food stamp) program.

**Volunteer Visitors:** Senior Solutions provides volunteers who serve isolated older Vermonters through home visits, telephone reassurance, and help with shopping and other errands. Our Vet-to-Vet program matches Veteran volunteers with Veteran recipients.

**Caregiver Respite:** Through grants we provide respite assistance for caregivers of those diagnosed with dementia or other chronic diseases.

**Transportation:** Senior Solutions provides financial support and collaborates with local and regional transit providers to support transportation services for older Vermonters, that may include a van, a taxi, or a volunteer driver. Special arrangements can be made for individuals without Medicaid who require medical transportation.

**Special Assistance:** Senior Solutions provides flexible funds that can help people with one-time needs when no other program is available.

**Other Services:** Senior Solutions supports a variety of other services including health, wellness and fall prevention programs, legal assistance (through Vermont Legal Aid), assistance for adults with disabilities, and home-based mental health services.

Our agency is enormously grateful for the support of the people from the Town of Baltimore.

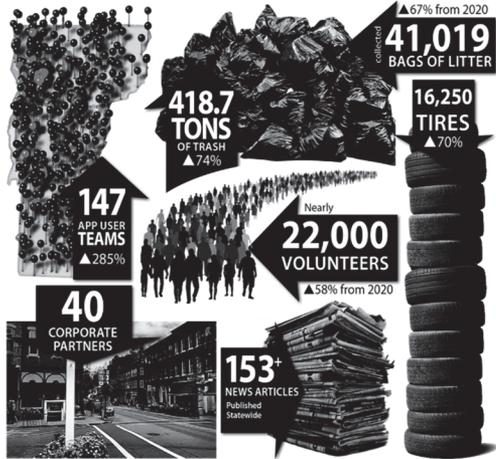
Submitted by Mark Boutwell, Executive Director

## GREEN UP DAY REPORT 2021



**GREEN UP VERMONT**  
[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)

**Green Up Day**  
**May 7, 2022**



**Green Up Day on May 1, 2021** was a huge success thanks to nearly 22,000 volunteers statewide who Greened Up. The infographic shows that all your hard work to beautify Vermont is needed and that it makes where we get to live, work, and play a very special place. As one of Vermont's favorite holidays, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont environment.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, and educational resources including activity books, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Along with Green Up Day, we work year-round to further our impact with waste reduction initiatives, additional clean-up efforts, and educational programs.

Green Up Vermont is a private nonprofit organization that relies on your town's support to execute the tradition of cleaning up our roads and waterways, while promoting civic pride, and community engagement. Thank you for your support of this crucial program that takes care of all our cities and towns.

Your donations make a huge impact and can be made on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or anytime online at [www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org).

Visit our website, like us on Facebook (@greenupvermont), and follow us on Instagram (greenupvermont). [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org) 229-4586

## VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

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### *Home Health, Hospice and Pediatric Services in Baltimore, VT*

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is one of the oldest and largest non-profit providers of in-home healthcare services in the region. VNH is committed to providing the highest quality care throughout all stages of life, from maternal child care to end of life hospice care, and everything in between. Providing individuals and families with the care they need within the comfort of their own home allows them to maintain comfort and dignity throughout their time of care.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

Between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 VNH made 653 homecare visits to 2 Baltimore residents. This included approximately \$1,823 in unreimbursed care to Baltimore residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 12 home visits to 1 residents with short-term medical or physical needs..
- **Hospice Services:** 641 home visits to 1 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

VNH serves many of Baltimore's most vulnerable citizens – the frail elderly and disabled, at-risk families, people with terminal illnesses, children with chronic medical needs, and the uninsured and underinsured. We are dedicated to delivering outstanding home health and hospice services that enrich the lives of the people we serve.

Over the past year this has included many telehealth visits for which we did not receive reimbursement. It is with your help that we are able to provide services like this to those in need. Baltimore's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Hilary Davis, Director Community Relations and Development  
(1-888-300-8853)*

## WINDSOR COUNTY REPORT

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To: Windsor County Town Clerks  
From: Assistant Judges Ellen Terie and Michael Ricci  
RE: County News for Inclusion in Your Town Meeting Report  
Date: January 5, 2022

A Preliminary County Budget meeting was held at the Windsor County Building on December 15, 2021, and the Final Budget meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2022. The 2022/23 budget includes an amount of \$468,504 to be raised by countywide property taxes. The tax rate for 2022/23 is set at 0.00482786 per \$100 of valuation.

Pursuant to Title 24, § 134, the County Treasurer shall issue warrants on or before March 1, 2022 requiring tax to be paid in two equal installments on or before July 5 and on or before November 5, 2022.

### **Construction Bond Repayment**

The Windsor County Courthouse rehabilitation was completed in 2014. We are currently in the 8th year of repayment of this 10 year bond. A rate of 0.002046 is assessed to collect the total 2022 bond repayment of \$214,302. As with the county tax, towns may submit this bond repayment in two payments, on or before July 5 and on or before November 5, 2022.

The courthouse renovation has proven to be both timely and invaluable to the 24 Towns in Windsor County. Our courthouse is one of only two in the State that has an approved HVAC system for air quality control, making it a safe for environment for Jury Trials to be held in our Historic Building.

### **Notable Activities in the Past Year**

Windsor County has seen several changes this year, the most notable of which is that there is a new Windsor County Assistant Judge. Michael Ricci of Woodstock was appointed by Governor Scott to fill the vacancy left when Assistant Judge Jack Anderson retired earlier this fall. Assistant Judge Ricci, a valued community member for nearly 40 years is enthusiastic about his appointment and looking forward to serving the people of Windsor County along side of Judge Ellen Terie. We thank Judge Anderson who had served the County for ten years, and was instrumental in the renovation of the Woodstock Courthouse.

Currently the Courthouse is closed to the public because of Covid restrictions, however it is hoped that it will soon be open again. We are grateful to the County Staff for keeping the building in tip-top shape during these uncertain times. The fact that the building has been closed has not slowed down the Judiciary; Court hearings are being held remotely via WebEx.

The County Building, located on Pleasant Street, which houses the Sheriff's Office, and the office of the Windsor County Clerk, has a new roof too. This building is open to the public, albeit on limited hours. We are all looking forward to being fully open again soon. If anyone needs to contact the Clerk to file a will, or for any other County business, Pepper Tepperman can be reached at: 1-802-457-5222.

## MOUNT ASCUTNEY REGIONAL COMMISSION

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In 2021, the Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission changed its name to Mount Ascutney Regional Commission (MARC). The MARC is an organization that serves the ten towns in the southern Windsor County Region, including Baltimore. The activities and programs of the MARC are governed by a Board of Commissioners that are appointed by each member town. The primary function of the MARC is to assist member towns with their planning and other community related activities, and to promote cooperation and coordination among towns.

During FY21, the dues from member towns contributed about 2% of the MARC's annual budget of \$1,561,762. The town dues assessment of \$305 was determined on a \$1.25 per person based upon 2010 Census data. The remaining revenues were derived from federal, state and other funding sources.

The MARC offers member towns a broad range of services, including assistance with planning, zoning, transportation, water quality, emergency management, data, mapping, and other planning activities. In FY21, the MARC assisted with updating the Local Emergency Operations Plan; provided emergency management planning assistance; assisted the Planning Commission with Town Plan updates, and provided information and technical assistance related to the American Rescue Plan Act and COVID-19 issues.

We would like to thank town appointed representative Wayne Wheelock who served on the MARC Board and Committees this past year.

Thank you for your continued support of local and regional planning. For more information about the MARC, call us at (802) 674-9201, visit our website at [www.marcvt.org](http://www.marcvt.org), or look us up on Facebook.

Jason Rasmussen, AICP  
Executive Director

## SOUTHERN WINDSOR/WINDHAM COUNTIES SOLID WASTE

### MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Reading • Rockingham • Springfield • Weathersfield • West Windsor • Windsor

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The District was chartered in fourteen Vermont towns. Each a representative and an Board of Supervisors. Baltimore's representative is Rebecca Lomachinsky; Wayne Wheelock is the alternate.



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 All food scraps were banned from the landfill as of July 1, 2020. The Springfield Transfer Station accepts food scraps for free (including meat and bones) from people with an access permit. To facilitate backyard composting, the District sold composters and food scrap pails. However, for the second year in a row, the District did not host spring backyard composting workshops because of the COVID pandemic. Many educational resources are available on the District's website.



Five hundred and seventy-five people brought household hazardous waste (HHW) to the District's two collections in 2021, which cost over \$65,000.00. The District has been working on permitting and constructing a permanent HHW facility in Springfield which will tentatively open in May 2022. The unheated site will be located at the Alva Waste transfer station and will be open for 5 or 6 months annually, 8-10 hours a week. HHW drop-off will be by appointment for the first year.



Two retailers in Springfield accept unwanted paint year-round. Bring paint to Bibens Ace Hardware or Sherwin-Williams during regular business hours and dispose of it for free (cans must be labeled, not leaky, not rusty – bring others to the permanent HHW facility).



All household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9v, hearing aid, coin cell, and rechargeable) are accepted at the Springfield Transfer Station. Batteries are "special recycling" and do NOT go in with other recycling.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Kennedy  
District Manager

Mary T. O'Brien  
Recycling Coordinator

Ham Gillett  
Outreach Coordinator

## WINDHAM & WINDSOR HOUSING TRUST

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Windham & Windsor Housing Trust (WWHT) is a non-profit organization founded in 1987, serving the residents of Windham and southern Windsor County. We provide housing for residents of low and moderate incomes, preserve and revitalize neighborhoods, help residents acquire their own homes, and generally improve the social, economic, and cultural health of communities of Windham and southern Windsor County.

WWHT's mission is *to strengthen the communities of Southeast Vermont through the development and stewardship of permanently affordable housing and through ongoing support and advocacy for its residents.*

The organization applies mission to practice through three branches: Homeownership, Housing Development, and Property Management. The **Homeownership's** Home Repair Program assisted 42 homeowners by providing low cost loans to make critical repairs. The one-to-one counseling assist 46 new homeowners in 2021 by navigating them through the purchase process to closing on their new home. The Shared Equity program has 134 homes currently and provides grants to income-eligible homebuyers to subsidize the purchase of single-family homes which lowers the cost to the homebuyer. Beyond these standard program, the Homeownership department has acted quickly to administer the State's COVID Relief Funded Rehousing Recovery Program. This program granted funding for the rehab of 79 privately owned units which were formerly offline to bring them back on the market before the close of the year to absorb the need for safe and affordable housing. The units are spread across the whole of Windham and Windsor Counties. Our new Housing Retention Program has assisted 80 renters and homeowners impacted by Covid in stabilizing their housing with access to relief funding.

**Housing Development:** WWHT develops affordable rental housing opportunities which meets the diverse housing needs of a community. This takes the form of both rehabilitation of existing housing and the construction of new apartments. At the close of 2021, the Bellows Falls Garage project broke ground. This project will introduce 27 new apartments to Downtown Bellows Falls, and contribute to the revitalization of this historic Vermont village. The Putney project entered the design phase in 2021, creating 27 new homes within the village. In 2022, WWHT is planning the rehabilitation of 26 apartments in Brattleboro and Windsor, comprising some of the oldest buildings in our portfolio. Breathing new life into these units will allow us to serve our residents into the coming decades.

**Property Management:** WWHT owns 878 residential properties and 16 commercial properties with rental apartments with over 1500 tenants. We manage the rental properties in and near Brattleboro and contract with Stewart Property Management Services for the properties in northern Windham and Windsor Counties. WWHT takes pride in the appearance of our multi-family housing and is committed to providing the staff and financial resources necessary to ensure long-term health and safety for our residents as well as preservation of property values. This includes helping tenants access rent relief funding through the State. We have accessed nearly \$500,000 of rental relief for tenants. In 2021 we brought on a full Supportive Services Department focused on increasing the wellbeing of our residents by building community, accessing resources, and empowering and engaging residents. Although WWHT is a non-profit, we pay local property taxes on our rental properties and our shared-equity homeowners pay property taxes to the Towns and Villages.

**For more information, please visit us on the web at [www.homemattershere.org](http://www.homemattershere.org)**

## SOUTHEASTERN VERMONT COMMUNITY ACTION (SEVCA)

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Southeastern Vermont Community Action is an anti-poverty, community-based, nonprofit organization serving Windham and Windsor counties since 1965. Our mission is to empower and partner with individuals and communities to alleviate the hardships of poverty; provide opportunities to thrive; and eliminate root causes of poverty. SEVCA has a variety of programs and services to meet this end. They include: Head Start, Weatherization, Emergency Home Repair, Family Services (crisis resolution, fuel, utility, housing and food assistance), Micro-Business Development, Vermont Matched Savings (asset building & financial literacy), Ready-for-Work (workforce development), Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, VT Health Connect Navigation, Thrift Stores, and a Community Solar program..

In the community of Baltimore we have provided the following services during FY2021:

**Family Services:** 1 household (1 person) received 4 services valued at \$56 (crisis resolution, financial counseling, nutrition education, forms assistance, referral to and assistance with accessing needed services)

**Fuel / Utility Assistance:** 1 household (1 person) received 2 assists valued at \$1,835.

Community support, through town funding, helps to build a strong partnership. The combination of federal, state, private, and town funds allow us to not only maintain, but to increase and improve service. We thank the residents of Baltimore for their support.

Stephen Geller, Executive Director  
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## THE MOOVER ANNUAL REPORT

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### The MOOver Rockingham Report FY22

Thank you again for Baltimore's \$300 donation last year. As a private non-profit 501c3 transportation company since 2003, The MOOver Rockingham relies heavily and more than ever on local contributions. These funds allow us to draw down federal funds to provide operating support and the required match for our replacement vehicles. Baltimore has contributed to us for many years, and we thank you again for your support.

The MOOver Rockingham's mission is to provide a safe, reliable and efficient transportation system that supports economic opportunity and quality of life for 30 Windham and southern Windsor County towns. We operate bus routes and senior and disabled transportation services via our fleet of 23 buses and a network of volunteer drivers. We receive state and federal grants, contributions from towns and resorts, fares, and contributions from our human service partners.

The MOOver Rockingham's total operating expenses last year were \$2,216,876.01. We provided 100,415 bus, van, taxi, and volunteer rides. Our buses and vans traveled 480,282 miles over 31,255 hours.

Baltimore's contribution supports continuing public transit in your town and throughout the region. Service levels vary by town and from year by year. A town's transportation needs can be minimal some years and large the next. We need your help to remain a healthy company to be able to respond to needs of the elderly, disabled, or in an emergency or crisis when the need arises.

We are requesting a \$300 contribution from Baltimore this year. We hope you will support our funding request.

We are always seeking input to improve our services. Please contact me to let us know how The MOOver Rockingham may improve service in your community.

Thank you!

Christine Howe  
General Manager

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## 2021 Local Health Annual Report

Twelve Local Health District Offices around the state provide health services and promote wellness for all Vermonters. Additional information about your local health office and related programs can be found at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/local>.

## COVID-19

It has been almost two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began, and in response, our families, schools, businesses, first responders, and countless other groups have worked to better protect the health of our communities. Together we ensured towns had access to the vaccine, testing, and other services needed to make more informed decisions about their health. As of December 1, 2021, approximately

- 494,000 Vermonters received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine.
- 546,055 people have been tested and a total of 2,570,835 tests completed.
- Many COVID-19 resources are now provided in over 20 different languages.
- Up-to-date information, including town-level data can be found on the Health Department's website: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity>.

## Public Health Programs

In addition to COVID-19 response efforts, Local Health offices continue to provide health services and programs to Vermont communities, including but not limited to

- In collaboration with Town Health Officers and other local partners, we help Vermonters better understand the relationship between their environment and their health at a time when more of us are spending time at home with our families. Find information about environmental health and lead, asbestos, toxic chemicals, child safety, food safety, climate change, drinking water, and more at <https://www.healthvermont.gov/environment>.
- The WIC nutrition program continues to provide primarily remote access to services with phone appointments. In 2021, an average of approximately 11,300 infants, children, and pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding people were served by WIC in Vermont each month.
- As of November 23, 2021, 193,000 flu vaccine doses have been administered. Protecting people from influenza continues to be particularly important as the flu may complicate recovery from COVID-19.

Thank you to everyone involved in supporting these efforts. We look forward to what 2022 brings, to seeing you in the community, and encourage you to stay in touch with us.

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