

COALITION BUILDING FOR SYSTEMS CHANGE



- Aly Richards, Let's Grow Kids, CEO
- Susan Evans McClure, VT Arts Council, Executive Director
- Cindy Jerome, Windham Aging, HealthCare Workforce Committee Chair/Consultant

MODERATOR

• Rachel Shields Ebersole, BDCC



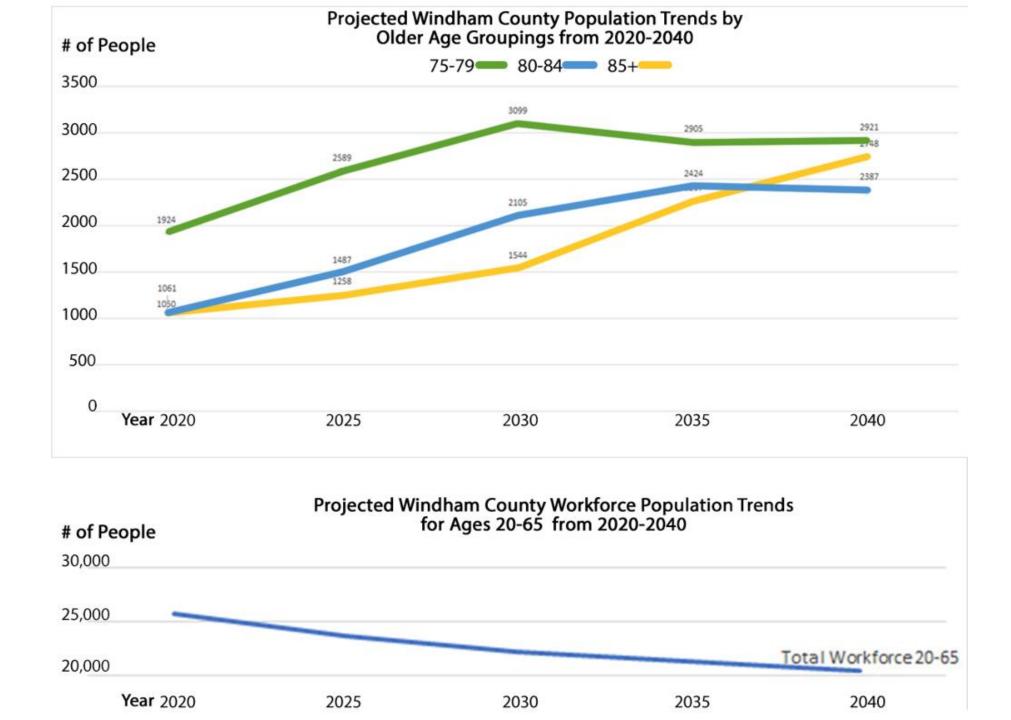




Windham Aging Founders and Leaders



- Roger Albee, former Grace Cottage Hospital CEO
- Carolyn Taylor-Olson, MD, Internist
- David Neumeister, Dentist



Our collaborative provides the strategic vision for systemic changes so that older residents of Windham County/Region age well.

To do this:

- 1. We identify the existing resources, future needs, and best strategies to achieve our vision
- We inform/educate the change-makers for our county, so they can engage these strategies
- 3. We track progress to guide advancement toward our stated outcomes

What Kind of Coalition?

- Grass-roots, Volunteer run
- 4 very part-time contractors
- Started in early 2020; Data received in 2023 changed focus
- Decisions by consensus
- 3 founders approve expenses, etc. between meetings
- Rethinking Governance structure now

Active Partners

- VT Agency of Human Services
- Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
- Windham Regional Commission
- S VT Area Health Education Center
- Senior Solutions
- Brattleboro Housing Partnerships
- Thompson House Rehab & Nursing Center
- Brattleboro Area Hospice

Research Partners:

• VT Dept of Health

- Larner College of Medicine at UVM
- Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth
- Leahy Institute for Rural Partnerships <u>Funders:</u>
- Thomas Thompson Trust
- Holt Fund
- Windham Foundation



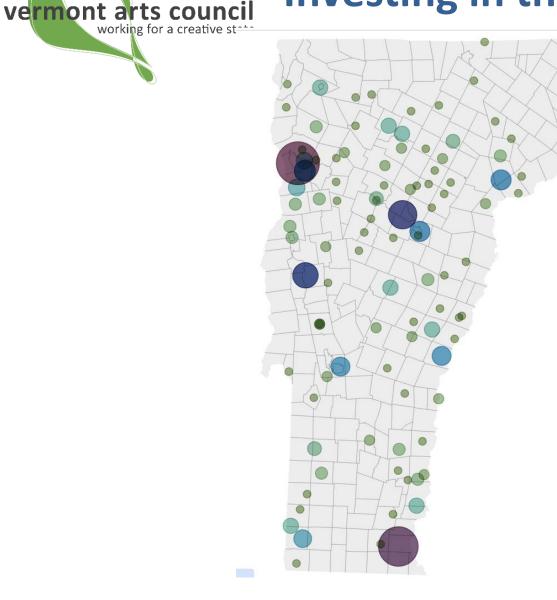


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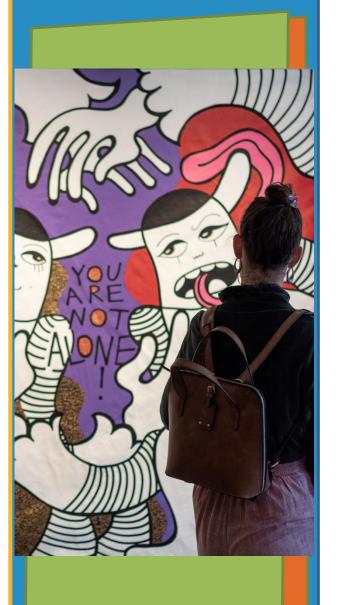
Investing in the Arts & Communities



FY23 Grant Making:

- \$8,009,602
- 85 individuals
- 201 organizations
- 100 towns across Vermont

www.vermontartscouncil.org



Economic Impact of the Creative Sector

10,574 Jobs

VERMONT ARTS FACTS

FOR-PROFIT & NON-PROFIT ARTS & CULTURE SECTORS REPRESENT

2.85% State's GDP

\$1.2 BILLION Arts & Culture

\$1.4 B Construction

\$888 M Utilities

The Vermont arts and culture sector was a **\$1.2 billion** industry in **2022** (**2.85%** of the state's GDP), representing **10,574 jobs** (**3.34%** of Vermont's workforce), and total compensation of **\$708.6 million**.

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Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis & National Assembly of State Arts Agencies (2024). Data collected for 2022.



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Advocacy
Research
Networking

VermontCreativeNetwork.org



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Vermont's Child Care Campaign

Making History Though Coalition Building

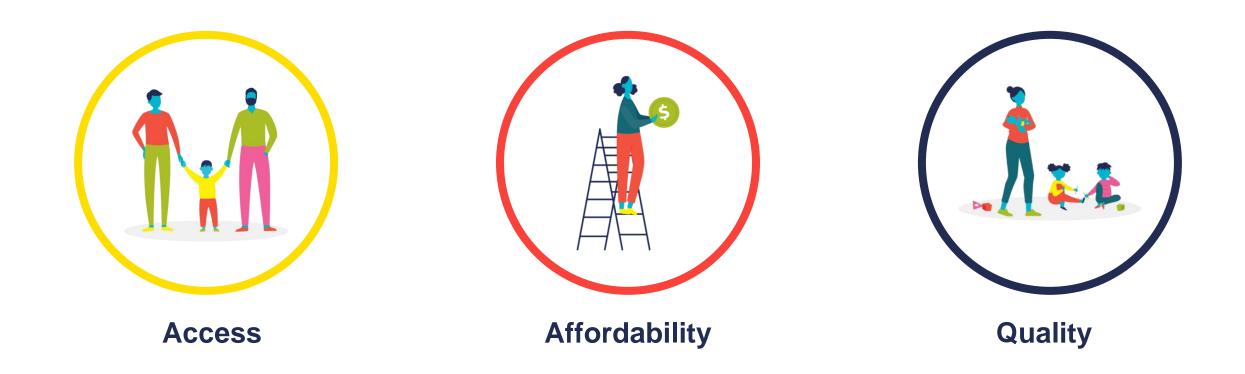
Aly Richards, CEO, Let's Grow Kids Coalition Building for Systems Change Southern Vermont Economy Summit May 21, 2024



Building the Campaign



The Vision of Vermont's Child Care Campaign



Keys to Campaign Success





Grassroots Mobilization



Engaging Employers is Essential for Success

Thank You!

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Visit <u>www.letsgrowkids.org</u> for more information.





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Suggested Resources

Aly Richards

• Freedom to Marry campaign

Susan Evans McClure

- <u>A Lapsed Anarchist's Guide to Building a Great Business</u>, book by Ari Weinzweig
- <u>The Work of Leadership</u> by Ron Heifetz and Donald Laurie
- <u>Stop Telling Women They Have Imposter Syndrome</u> by Ruchika Tulshyan and Jodi-Anne Burey

Cindy Jerome

<u>Strategic Planning Consulting</u>









AFTERNOON SCHEDULE

- Emerging Leaders Awards, 12:00 p.m. 12:20 p.m.
- Buffet Lunch, 12:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m.
- Mid-afternoon Breakouts, 1:40 p.m. 2:55 p.m.
- Afternoon Roundtables, 3:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Closing Reception, 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.