



Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee  
Regional Commission

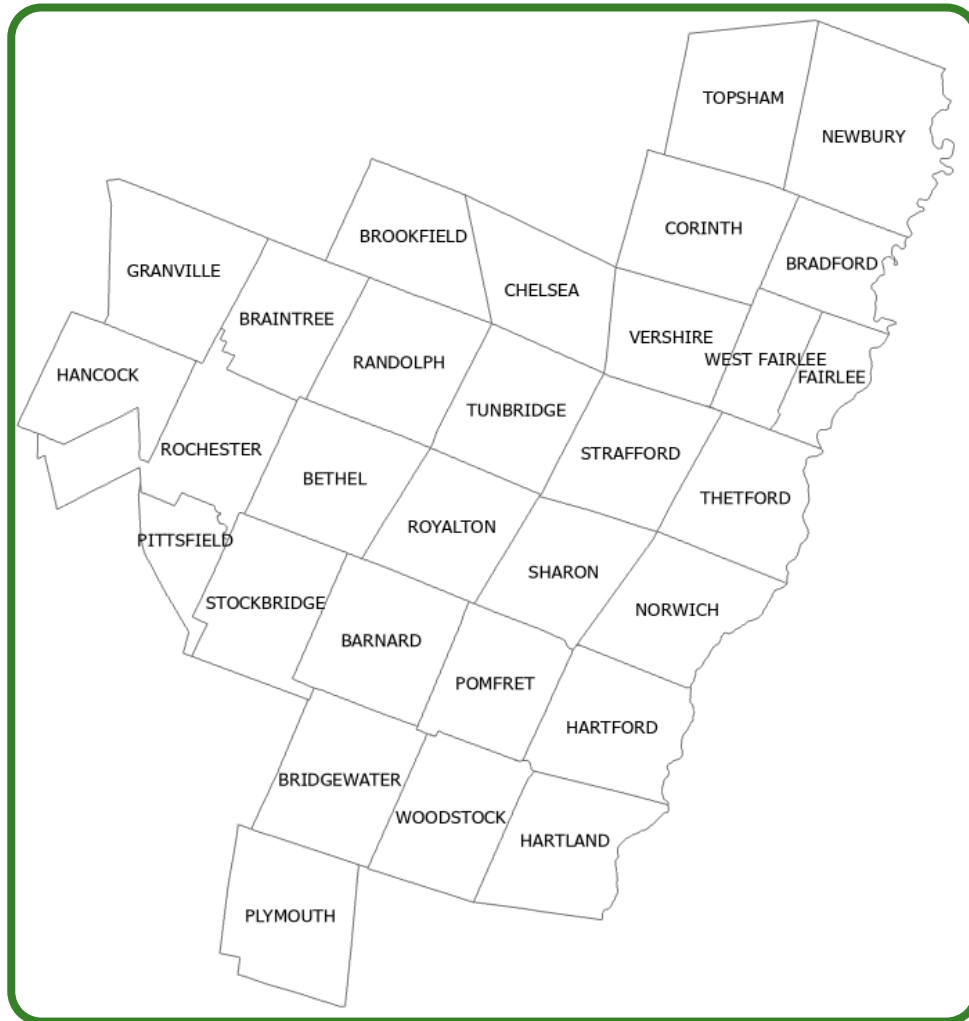
# FISCAL YEAR 2024 REPORT



Advocating for the needs of our 30 member towns,  
and articulating a vision for building a thriving regional  
economy while enhancing the region's quality of life.

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## TRORC's Member Towns



Map of TRORC's service region

### Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission's Member Towns

Barnard, Bethel, Bradford, Braintree, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Chelsea, Corinth, Fairlee, Granville, Hancock, Hartford, Hartland, Newbury, Norwich, Pittsfield, Plymouth, Pomfret, Randolph, Rochester, Royalton, Sharon, Stockbridge, Strafford Thetford, Topsham, Tunbridge, Vershire, West Fairlee, Woodstock

## TRORC Executive Committee

William B. Emmons, III, Chairperson, *Pomfret*  
John Echeverria, Vice Chairperson, *Strafford*

Nancy Jones, Secretary, *Bradford*  
Peter Berger, Treasurer, *Fairlee*

Members-At-Large: Nancy Malmquist, *West Fairlee*; Brian Loeb, *Norwich*; Ken Alton

## TRORC Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is comprised of members from each town in the Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Region. They oversee TRORC's vision and mission, ensuring the organization meets the needs of the region and local governments. The board supervises programs and services, ensures financial integrity, and provides strategic guidance.

Steve Cota, *Barnard*  
Gene Kraus, *Bethel*  
Paul Vallee, *Bethel (Alternate)*  
Nancy Jones, *Bradford*  
Sandy Vondrasek Cooch, *Braintree*  
Megan O'Toole, *Braintree (Alternate)*  
Lynne Bertram, *Bridgewater*  
Gwynn Zakov, *Brookfield*  
Jon Binhammer, *Brookfield (Alternate)*  
Carl Pepperman, *Chelsea*  
Stephen Devoto, *Corinth*  
Peter Berger, *Fairlee*  
Mark Belisle, *Granville*  
Monica Collins, *Hancock*  
Lori Hirshfield, *Hartford*  
Bruce Riddle, *Hartford (Alternate)*  
Stephen L. Cone, *Hartland*  
Tony O'Meara, *Newbury*  
Larry Scott, *Newbury (Alternate)*  
Brian Loeb, *Norwich*  
Herb Kuendig, *Pittsfield*

Mariah Katz, *Pittsfield (Alternate)*  
Anne Brown, *Plymouth*  
William Emmons III, *Pomfret*  
Chris Sargent, *Randolph*  
Patricia Harvey, *Rochester*  
Doon Hinderyckx, *Rochester (Alternate)*  
Patrick Dakin, *Royalton*  
Bushrod Powers, *Royalton (Alternate)*  
Ira Clark, *Sharon*  
Kevin Travis, *Stockbridge*  
John Echeverria, *Strafford*  
Angela McCanna, *Thetford*  
Jim Masland, *Thetford (Alternate)*  
Jim Clark, *Topsham*  
Michael Sacca, *Tunbridge*  
Kevin Rose, *Tunbridge (Alternate)*  
Andrea Herrington, *Vershire*  
Justin Willeau, *Vershire (Alternate)*  
Nancy Malmquist, *West Fairlee*  
Don Bourdon, *Woodstock*  
Brad Prescott, *Woodstock (Alternate)*

### Members-At-Large

Andrew Winter, *Housing*; Caroline Sherman-Gordon, *Youth*;  
Dan (Rudi) Ruddell, *Conservation*; Ken Alton, *Economic Development*;  
Meghan Butts, *UVLSRPC*; Meg Emmons, *Agriculture*

## TRORC's Values

Commitment to  
public service

Diligence in anticipating and  
meeting community needs

Regional  
coordination

Articulation of a vision for  
maintaining and enhancing  
the region's uniquely  
Vermont quality of life

Teaching, assistance, and collaboration to enable  
high-quality community planning  
and to enable others to provide leadership  
in local and regional planning issues

Respect for Vermont's quality of life as embodied  
by the rural landscape, settlement patterns, and  
sense of community

To be a trusted source of  
accurate, clear information and  
communication

## The TRORC Team

Peter G. Gregory, Executive Director

Kevin Geiger, Chief Planner

Rita Seto, Senior Planner

Sarah Wraight, Senior Planner

Pete Fellows, GIS Manager

Sydney Steinle, Planner

Harry Falconer, Shared Energy Coordinator

Bryan Kovalick, Planner

Meghan Asbury, Planner

Kyle Hansen, Planner

Kyle Katz, Planner

Geena Baber, Planner

Kyra Wood, Grants Manager

Christina Scott, Finance Manager



## Project Highlights

### Emergency Management

TRORC is a vital partner in our region's prevention, planning, and recovery efforts for local emergencies.

#### 30 Towns

**assisted in updating disaster plans and ensuring preparedness**

During events like the July 2023 flooding, we coordinated between towns and state agencies, polled towns to confirm access to resources, and provided extensive support with damage reporting, FEMA applications, and recovery efforts.

### Flood Reduction: RIVER Project

**\$1.1 million  
statewide project**

**2 cities, 13 towns, and 4 villages**

TRORC is leading this program for nine hard-hit communities across Vermont, focusing on identifying flood reduction projects and developing grant application materials to secure FEMA funding.

### Economic Development

Through a \$420,000 grant from the US Economic Development Administration (EDA) and three partner organizations, we helped individuals, businesses, and communities by offering workforce training, finding financial assistance, and supporting business growth.

We work to keep a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, help address economic challenges, and access to EDA funding in our region.

This year, we worked on improving access to health care, promoting preventative care, supporting food security, and helping towns with health planning and policies.

### Municipal Technical Assistance

TRORC is leading a \$1,650,000 project across the state, through RPCs, to provide assistance to towns with various projects.

#### Project Examples

Budgeting for future capital purchases, Town Plan revisions, and wastewater treatment plants

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**\$208,000 funded for projects**

**14** Projects in the TRORC region

**11** Municipalities supported

### Transportation

**28** Municipalities assisted on road ditching projects

**\$670,000+ in project costs**

**20+** Applications assisted with for road and transportation projects

**60** Park and Ride data collections

**6** Federal grants where TRORC was project manager

### TRORC Scholarship Program

**10** Awards made

**18** Applications received

**\$20,000 Awarded**

to high school students pursuing career and life paths aligned with the vision and values of vibrant, diverse, and sustainable communities.





Undersized culvert replacement - Jenneville Road, Hartland, VT



Pinney Hollow Brook Floodplain Restoration Project - Plymouth, VT



Before and after pictures of Grants in Aid Ditching Project - Datt Hill Road, Bethel

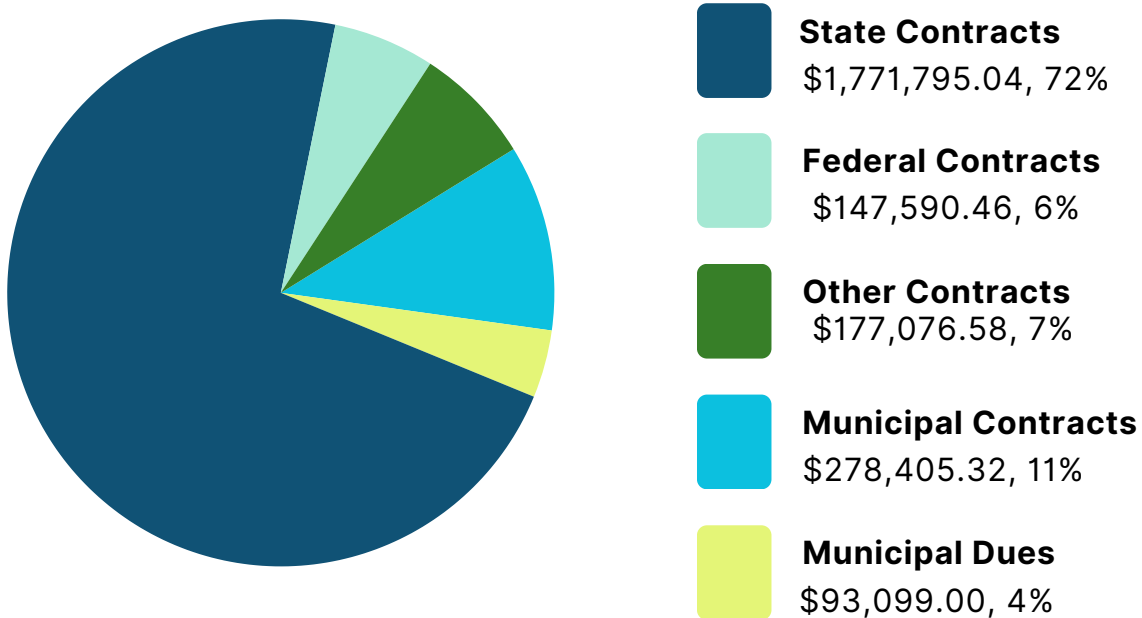


## Financial Report

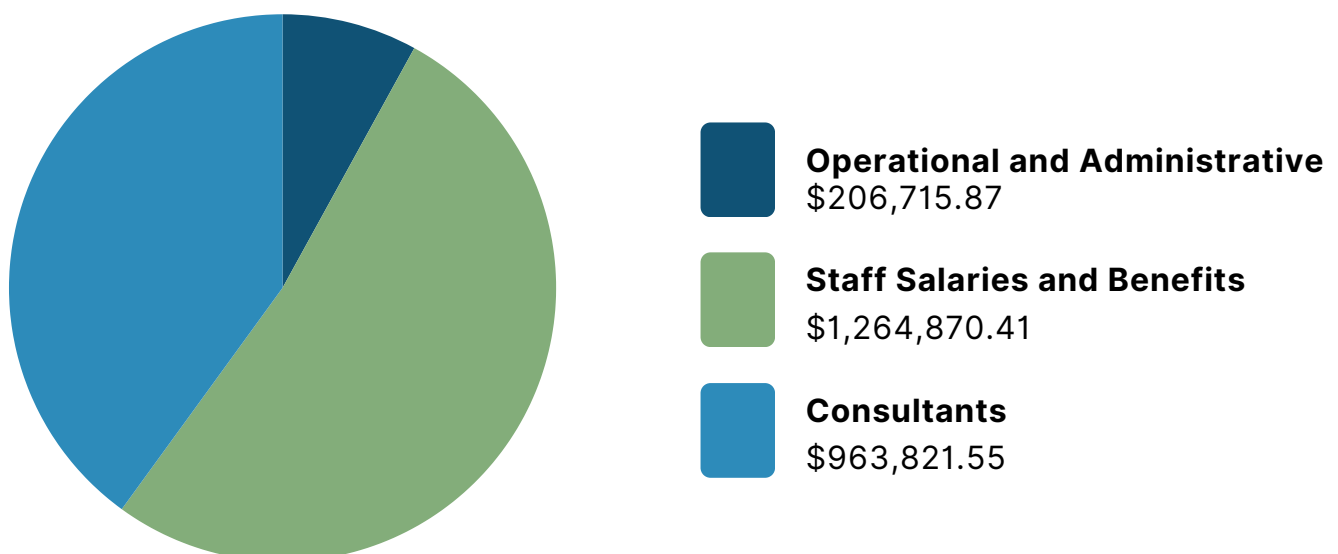
July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Below is a summary report for Fiscal Year 2024.  
These represent a report of revenues and expenditures for all  
programs through the close of the year on June 30, 2024.

### REVENUES



### EXPENDITURES



## Want to Learn More?

<b>Emergency Management</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/programs/emergency">trorc.org/programs/emergency</a>
<b>Municipal Technical Assistance</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/programs/municipal-technical-assistance">trorc.org/programs/municipal-technical-assistance</a>
<b>Transportation</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/programs/transportation">trorc.org/programs/transportation</a>
<b>Flood Reduction: July 2023 Floods</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/programs/flood-recovery">trorc.org/programs/flood-recovery</a>
<b>Flood Reduction: RIVER Project</b>	<a href="https://riverprojectsvt.org">riverprojectsvt.org</a>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/programs/economic-development">trorc.org/programs/economic-development</a> <a href="https://ecvedd.org">ecvedd.org</a>
<b>Scholarship Program</b>	<a href="https://trorc.org/about/trorc-scholarship-program">trorc.org/about/trorc-scholarship-program</a>