

# **Vermont Municipal Data Project**

# *Empowering Municipalities to Make Data-Driven Decisions*

VLCT has created the Vermont Municipal Data Project to collect information about municipal operations and publish those findings and insights so our members can compare data, identify best practices, and strengthen their capacity.

## **Why Participate in the Vermont Municipal Data Project?**

**The Vermont Municipal Data Project will help:**

- Inform decisions about municipal operations, purchasing, ordinances, and policies
- Act as a comparison tool for finding commonalities and differences among municipalities
- Identify best practices and create efficiencies in municipal processes and planning
- Provide the training, resources, programs, and services municipalities need the most
- Serve as an important resource for partners and key stakeholders
- Act as a comprehensive database that VLCT staff can analyze to provide useful reports
- Promote and inform municipal interests during the legislative session



## What to Expect

The Vermont Municipal Data Project **seeks input from key municipal staff in a series of online surveys about distinct areas of municipal operations.** To get the best data for you to use, we encourage everyone who receives a survey email to coordinate with colleagues to fill in all the information, forwarding the email as necessary to share the link.

## Collection Phases

TOPIC AREA	REQUESTED IN
Finance	Early Spring
Compensation and Benefits	Late Spring
Land Use	Early Summer
Advocacy and Operations	Late Fall

