

Town Fair

Town Fair 2023 was a terrific event and we're now busy planning for 2024. Scroll below to learn more about Town Fair 2023, and check back for updates - this page is where you'll find information about the 2024 event when it's available.

About Town Fair 2023

Town Fair is VLCT's popular, two-day, annual event. Members and partners connect with counterparts and customers from all around the state. Typical conference attendance is 500+ and gives members and vendors time to learn about the most critical topics, products, and services, all in one place. It's an unparalleled experience that includes numerous networking, recreational, and entertainment options as well.

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This year's trainings fit into four tracks designed to fit your role in local government:

Clerks & Treasurers

Foundational tools for your day-to-day success

Public Safety

New solutions for recurring problems in your communities

Town Leaders

Support your municipality from the inside out!

Listers

The nuts and bolts of this position delivered in one place

VLCT invites all members to send their voting delegate(s) to the VLCT, PACIF, and VERB annual meetings on September 26 from 1:00 to 2:15.

This 3-in-1 annual meeting is where you will elect Directors, hear updates on recent program changes from VLCT leadership, learn about the financial health of the member-owned risk pools, and meet VLCT's new Director of Intergovernmental Affairs.

This is your annual opportunity to weigh in on how VLCT represents you in the state house, share insights into what services you need VLCT, PACIF, or VERB to offer your municipality, and question both staff and board members about why we do things the way we do. Voting delegates will need to register separately from their Town Fair registration.

[Designate a Voting Delegate](#)

[2023 VLCT, PACIF, and VERB Annual Meeting Guide](#)

VLCT presents Casino Night brought to you by Alpine Amusement, featuring nine game tables offering Craps, Roulette, Texas Hold'em, and Blackjack.

Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere and a buffet-style meal while you network with colleagues and play games to win raffle tickets to fabulous prizes! Attendees can purchase refreshments at the cash bar.

Dinner tickets come with \$250 in chips to start. Attendees can purchase an additional \$250 chips on site for \$25. **Proceeds will benefit the [VLCT Municipal Service Scholarship](#).**

There will be absolutely NO gambling with real money at this fundraiser. Games are played with chips that are traded in for raffle tickets to win great prizes, including these!

- A year-long family membership to the Hard'ack Recreation Area in St. Albans City including access to the new pool, ski hill, and sledding hill (up to a \$1,296 value)
- A two-night ski and stay package for two at Jay Peak Resort at Stateside (\$1,067 value)

- Spend a day in Killington! Includes a 2024 round of golf for four, including carts, at Green Mountain National in Killington (\$864 value) and four day passes to the Killington Adventure Center (\$292 value)
- (4) 18-hole greens fees to Lake Morey Country Club (up to a \$280 value)
- All-inclusive registration for Town Fair 2024: a two-day ticket, Town Fair dinner, and a hotel room. (up to \$198 value)
- A year-long family membership to the Maple Street Pool in the City of Essex Junction (\$150 value)
- Family Fun Pack to the 2024 Champlain Valley Fair including four 10-day passes and a parking pass (\$100 value)
- A day pass for two adults and two children to the Upper Valley Aquatic Center in Hartford (\$50.00 value)
- One free night of camping, with full hookup, at North Beach Campground in the City of Burlington (\$41 value)
- A 10-visit punch card to the Vermont State Parks (\$30 value)
- Pittsford, Vermont t-shirt (\$15 value)
- \$50 restaurant gift card (five winners)
- One year's worth of free registrations for one to VLCT trainings (varied value)

Exhibitor Presentations Schedule

The Energy Innovation Space is sponsored by Green Mountain Power and Efficiency Vermont.

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

8:30-9 AM: Tyler Technologies

9-9:30 AM: Vermont Local Roads

9:30-10 AM: VLCT MAP Portal Tutorial

10-10:30 AM: Vermont Bond Bank

Learn the nuts and bolts of receiving and managing loans with the Bond Bank.

10:30-11 AM: OpenGov, Inc.

11-11:30 AM: Auctions International

Auctions International will explain the benefits of selling surplus vehicles and equipment online compared to using conventional disposal methods.

11:30 AM-12 PM: MRC / GameTime Park & Playground Equipment

12-12:30 PM: TD Bank

Fraud Prevention Tools and Tips

12:30-1 PM: L&D Safety Markings Corp.

Monitoring Systems for Pavement Markings

1-1:30 PM: Green Mountain Power

After a tough year of damaging storms, learn how GMP is partnering with communities to keep them powered up in severe weather with a multi-layered and innovative approach. Plus, find out how GMP can help your community install EV chargers and save when you green up and switch away from fossil fuels for driving, heating, and more. All of GMP's resiliency and clean energy programs are designed so they help reduce costs for all GMP customers.

1:30-2 PM: Gale Associates, Inc.

Facility managers are managing more buildings with fewer staff and smaller budgets than

ever before. With multiple buildings to oversee and less personnel available to stay current, it is critical to develop organized methods for tracking past, current, and future building repairs. The presenter will discuss how formal facility management plans (FMPs) can assist in day-to-day operations and long-term planning.

2 - 2:30 PM: Medical Business Services

Ambulance Reimbursement: Past, Present and Future

2:30- 3 PM: NEMRC

3-3:30 PM: Civally

Accessibility is a requirement for municipalities — a fact that applies to your website as well as your buildings. What is website accessibility? How can you know if your site is accessible? How can you help your co-workers and board understand the value of it? This primer provides some tools for understanding and working toward making your website ADA compliant.

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

8:30-9 AM: VC3

Cybersecurity: Keep Your Municipality out of the Headlines

9-9:30AM: Efficiency Vermont

9:30-10 AM: Innovative Surface Solutions

The use of winter salt remains a persistent threat to our environment, causing harmful effects on infrastructure, natural vegetation, and, most importantly, our freshwater reservoirs and drinking water sources. Join this presentation to learn the tips and tools to reduce winter salt use with premium liquids.

10-10:30 AM VLCT Presentation

1030-11 AM: Oracle NetSuite for Government

As state and local governments move to the cloud for improved security and modernized infrastructure, Oracle NetSuite for Government has a comprehensive solution. Learn how

NetSuite for Government provides everything you need to establish efficient processes with flexible workflow tools, gain transparency into business operations, and easily integrate with other systems.

11-11:30 AM: Town Web Design

Municipal websites have great economic potential by attracting tourists, fostering growth, and supporting local businesses. They showcase attractions, provide real-time information, and offer resources for business development. By leveraging technology and data analytics, municipalities can optimize their websites for economic growth and enhance the overall success of the community. This presentation will help attendees understand how to go about using your municipal website to be more than just a website - but an online tool for growth.

11:30 AM- 12 PM: Weston & Sampson Engineers

Flood Resiliency for Rural Communities

12 - 12:30 PM: Speed of Light Optics

Highway Innovation to Promote Safety

1-1:30 PM: Municipal Leasing Consultants

Learn about tax-exempt Lease/Purchase Financing for essential capital equipment and projects – such as energy, vehicles, and technology – to provide public services throughout Vermont.

1:30–2 PM: Rural Solutions

Cybersecurity is the use of technologies, processes, and practices designed to protect networks, computers, programs, and data from attack, damage, or unauthorized access. Today's data threats don't discriminate: businesses of all sizes are susceptible to attacks. However, small organizations are often less prepared to deal with security threats than their larger counterparts. The reasons for this vary, but ultimately it comes down to the fact that small organizations don't have the trusted resources to devote to cybersecurity efforts. Rural Solutions will present a few "blankets" of security that will help to keep your town safe.

2–2:30 PM: Vermont Short-Term Rental Alliance

Approaches to municipal regulation of short-term rental (STR) have taken many forms across Vermont in recent years. Julie Marks, Founder and Executive Director of the Vermont Short-Term Rental Alliance (VTSTRA), will share the pros and cons of policy proposal examples as well as lessons learned about engaging community members in the process.

