

TOWN OF
BAKERSFIELD
VERMONT

AUDITORS'
ANNUAL REPORT

For the Year Ending
December 31, 2025

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Town Meeting Day
March 3, 2026

This year's report is dedicated to all the
residents that were lost to us in 2025.
Our lives were made richer by their presence,
And they will be deeply missed.

Rose Allen

David Baker

Darrel Bessey

Jack Carpenter

Brenda Churchill

Philip Dalley

Barbara Gates

Betsy Hart

John Lawyer

Arnold Malone

Gary Rounds

Donald Watson

Darren White

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Dear Fellow Residents:

We have performed an audit of the financial records of the Town. The CPA firm RHR Smith and Company has audited the Northern Mountain Valley Unified Union School District accounts for the fiscal year. Included within are all financial and informational reports of the Town of Bakersfield. To the best of our knowledge, the financial statements and reports contained herein show the financial position of the Town of Bakersfield for the year ending December 31, 2025.

Auditors: Susan Wooten and Vera Lawyer

Reports of entities whose officers are elected by the Town or appointed by the Selectboard, or receiving funds from the Town are contained herein. Reports of agencies not administered by the Town are available in the Town office.

JUST A REMINDER:

Because of the nature of property evaluation, it is impossible for the auditors to verify individual appraisals. It is your responsibility to examine your lister's sheet and take any necessary action. You may obtain a copy of your appraisal at the Town Office, Monday through Thursday mornings between the hours of 8 and 12 or request one to be mailed by calling 802-827-4495. If you have questions or concerns, please schedule a time to meet with the Listers. If you intend to file a grievance, grievances are heard beginning in mid June by appointment.

GENERAL INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE - Open Monday through Thursday from 8 am until noon.
Town Clerk: Katherine Westcom Treasurer: Thomas Jamison

SELECTMEN - Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Chairman: Josh Goss

PLANNING COMMISSION - Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Chairman: Bill Irwin Co-Chairman: Ken Carter

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month as needed at the Town Hall at 7 pm.

NORTHERN MOUNTAIN VALLEY UUSD - Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. There is no meeting in July. The School District Annual Meeting and Budget Informational Meeting will be held on Wednesday February 23, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at the Fire Station at 7:00 pm. Fire Chief: Matt Hull, 1st Asst: Todd Cosgrove, 2nd Asst: Ginger Parent

FIRE DISTRICT#1 (VILLAGE WATER DEPARTMENT) - Village Meeting is held on the second Tuesday in January of each year. Other meetings held as warned.
Chief Engineer: William Newett
Prudential Committee: Alan Lawyer, William Newett, Larry Krygier

LIBRARY - Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at the Library at 7:00 pm.
Library hours are Tuesday 9 am-5 pm; Wednesday, 2 pm to 6 pm; Thursday; 9 am to Noon and 2 pm to 6 pm; Friday 3 pm to 6 pm; and Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm. Storytime is held on Tuesday.
Librarian: Hadley Priebe Asst: Mary Schwartz
Website: hfbrighamlibrary.com; Email: hfbrighamlibrary@gmail.com

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 5 pm, Currently via zoom: to attend please call 933-4479 for a zoom link. Chair: Pat Evans

SENIOR CITIZENS - Bakersfield-Fairfield Mealsite: Community Center in East Fairfield. Tuesday at Noon. Tel: 827-3130 Suggested Donation: Seniors \$4 and \$6 for people under 60 Food Shelf hours: Tuesday 3-5 pm, Every other Friday 10-Noon Contact Person: Nancy Shaw

HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at the Historical Society Building. President: Gary Foote

DOG LICENSES – Dogs must have valid licenses no later than April 1 each year.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Town Clerk's Office	827-4495	Library	827-4414
School	827-6611	Town Garage	827-6133
Emergency Coordinator	Vacant	Fire/Ambulance/Emergency	911

**NOTICE TO VOTERS
BEFORE ELECTION DAY**

CHECKLIST POSTED: FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Make sure your name is on it. If your name is not on it, you must complete an application to the checklist (available online at <http://www.sec.state.vt.us> Click on Elections or From your Town Clerk
REGISTER TO VOTE: At the Town Clerk's Office or mail to the Department of Motor Vehicles with a postmark before the deadline. You may register at the polling place on election day.
SECRET PARTY CHOICE: You do not register by party in Vermont.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Apply no later than NOON March 2, 2026 at the Town Clerk's Office either in person, in writing, or by telephone. Voter or family member may apply in all three ways or authorize another person to apply for voter, in person or in writing. **WAYS OF VOTING ABSENTEE:** Vote in Town Clerk's Office before the deadline. Pick up or have a ballot mailed to you. Mail or have your ballot delivered so that it is in the Town Clerk's office before 7:00 PM on election day; Have two Justices of the Peace bring a ballot to you at home on the day before or the day of the election. You may request assistance in reading or marking your ballot from the justices.

NEW ELECTIONS MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

- **Elections Management System (EMS)** – Includes a new statewide voter checklist and other resources and tools to be used by town and city clerks across Vermont to conduct all of their election related business – from registering voters, to processing absentee ballot requests, to entering election results;
- **New Online Voter Registration Tool** – allows all eligible Vermonters to submit his/her voter registration application online anytime and anywhere they can access the internet: and
- **New "My Voter Page"** – online resource that allows every registered voter to login and have access to a unique, voter-specific web page where he/she can request an absentee ballot, track its status, update his/her voter registration record, find his/her polling place, view a sample ballot, and much much more.

**SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED: FEBRUARY 19, 2026
ON ELECTION DAY:
POLLS ARE OPEN 10:00 am TO 7:00 pm**

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, explain the situation to your Town Clerk and ask that it be put back on.

If the problem is not cleared up to your satisfaction, have the Authority call an immediate meeting of the members of the Board who are present at the polls. They should investigate the problem and clear it up.

If you are still not satisfied, you may appeal to a judge, who will settle the matter that day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (8683) for more information.

If you know voters who have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or cannot read, let them know they may bring a friend or relative who is a registered voter to help them vote.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car to the polling place, let them know that a ballot may be brought to the car by two election officials.

DO NOT: Knowingly vote more than once, either in the same town or in different towns; mislead the Board of Civil Authority about your own or another person's eligibility to vote; leave campaign materials in the voting booth or building containing a polling place; socialize in a manner that will disturb other voters.

HELP OR INFORMATION? Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (8683) (TDD Accessible)

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR		
John West	1 year term	Expires 2026
TOWN CLERK		
Katherine Westcom	3 year term	Expires 2027
TREASURER		
Thomas Jamison		
SELECTMEN		
Lance Lawyer	3 year term	Expires 2026
Nicola Cribb	3 year term	Expires 2027
Todd Cosgrove	2 year term	Expires 2027
Joshua Goss	2 year term	Expires 2026
John West	3 year term	Expires 2028
SCHOOL DIRECTORS		
Arlene O'Rourke	1 year term	Expires 2026
Audrey Shea	3 year term	Expires 2028
LISTERS		
Sharon Evans	3 year term	Expires 2028
Tamera Brennan	3 year term	Expires 2026
To be Appointed	2 yr. of 3 yr.	Expires 2027
AUDITORS		
To be Appointed	3 year term	Expires 2028
Susan Wooten	3 year term	Expires 2027
To be Appointed	2 yr. of 3 yr.	Expires 2027
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS		
Linda McCall	5 year term	Expires 2027
Kerry Flieger	5 year term	Expires 2028
Janet Machia	5 year term	Expires 2029
Ron Marcotte	5 year term	Expires 2030
Heather Tanner	5 year term	Expires 2026
LIBRARY TRUSTEES		
Rebecca Anne Bennett	3 year term	Expires 2028
Wendy Cobb	3 year term	Expires 2028
Anna Houston	3 year term	Expires 2026
Michael O'Rourke	3 year term	Expires 2027
Christine Parkinson	1 yr. of 3 yr.	Expires 2027
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS		
Tennyson Doane	3 year term	Expires 2028
Pat Evans	3 year term	Expires 2026
Lance Lawyer	3 year term	Expires 2027
BRIGHAM ACADEMY COMMITTEE		
Nicola Cribb	3 year term	Expires 2028
Cheryll DeRue Irwin	3 year term	Expires 2026
Sarah Jo Willey Marcotte	3 year term	Expires 2027

TOWN OFFICERS (continued)

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE		
Polly Cosgrove	2 year term	Expires 2026
Patrick Evans	2 year term	Expires 2026
Brenda Churchill	2 year term	Expires 2026
Janice Ketchum Marcotte	2 year term	Expires 2026
Sara Jo Willey Marcotte	2 year term	Expires 2026
Arlene O'Rourke	2 year term	Expires 2026
Mark Doremus	2 year term	Expires 2026
PLANNING COMMISSION		
Heather Jewett	3 year term	Expires 2028
Nicola Cribb	2 year term	Expires 2026
Gary Foote	1 yr. of 2 yr.	Expires 2027
Bill Irwin	3 year term	Expires 2027
Kenneth Carter	3 year term	Expires 2027
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT-Appointments		
John West	1 year term	Expires 9/25
Heather Jewett	1 year term	Expires 9/25
Nicola Cribb	1 year term	Expires 9/25
TOWN AGENT		Select Board
GRAND JUROR		Jessica Villeneuve
FIRST CONSTABLE		
SECOND CONSTABLE		
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER		Sara Currier
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR		Katherine Westcom 2026
	APPOINTMENTS	
ASST. TOWN CLERK/TREASURER		Tami Brennan
BAKERSFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION		Patrick Evans
CIVIL DEFENSE OFFICER		Select Board
ENERGY COORDINATOR		Jerry Brown
FENCE VIEWERS		Select Board
FIRE WARDEN (5 year term)		Robert Willey, Expires 2028
HEALTH OFFICER		Ginger Parent
NORTHWEST SOLID WASTE REPRESENTATIVE		Mark Doremus
RDAG COMMITTEE		Select Board
Chairman		Larry Krygier
Secretary		Select Board
Treasurer		Thomas Jamison
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONER		Bill Irwin
ROAD COMMISSIONER		William Newett
TOWN SERVICE OFFICER		Select Board
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION		Select Board
TREE WARDEN		Larry Krygier
ZONING BOARD ADMINISTRATOR		Brian Westcom
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR (EMC)		Paul Talley
DEPUTY EMC		Select Board
NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS UNION DISTRICT		Brenda Churchill
		Heather Jewett

WARNING
TOWN OF BAKERSFIELD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 3, 2026

The legal voters of the Town of Bakersfield, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town House in the said Town of Bakersfield on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026, at 10:00am in the forenoon, to consider and act on the following articles, and vote by Australian ballot for Article 2. Polls open at 10:00am and close at 7:00pm.

Informational Meeting for Article 2a, 2b, and 2c, to be held on Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6:30pm at the Bakersfield Town Hall.

1. To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To vote by Australian Ballot for the following officers and questions.
 - a. Shall the Town appropriate \$440,000.00 for ROAD WORK?
 - b. Shall the Town appropriate \$421,509.00 for the TOWN?
 - c. The Bakersfield Conservation Commission (BCC) asks the voters of Bakersfield to approve the establishment of a Conservation Reserve Fund to be allotted for conservation projects, including agriculture, forest, wildlife, recreational or other use consistent with our mission. The fund will be used to leverage additional monies to support these kinds of projects. Monies may accumulate over time before being used on a specific project. The Select Board will oversee the Fund. The BCC is asking the town for an initial investment of \$10,000.00 into this fund.
 - d. Select Board Member 3-year term.
 - e. Select Board Member 2-year term.
 - f. Lister 3-year term.
 - g. Lister 1-year of a 3-year term.
 - h. Auditor 2-year of a 3-year term.
 - i. Auditor 3-year term.
 - j. Planning Commission 2-year term.
 - k. Planning Commission 1-year of a 2-year term.
3. To act on the report of various Town Officers as contained in the current financial statement.
4. To elect the remaining Town Officers as required by Law:
 - a. First Constable.
 - b. Second Constable.
 - c. Collector of Delinquent Taxes.
 - d. Grand Juror.
 - e. Cemetery Commission 5-year term.

- f. Library Trustee 3-year term.
- g. Library Trustee 1-year of a 3-year term.
- h. Trustees of Public Funds 3-year term.

5. Shall the Town vote to have its Property Taxes due on the First Monday in October?
6. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate to cover expenses as voted?
7. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes?
8. Shall the Town appropriate \$10,000.00 for a PAVING/GRANT FUND (Matching funds for grants)?
9. Shall the Town appropriate \$10,000.00 for BRIDGE REPAIR FUND?
10. Shall the Town appropriate \$34,400.00 for EQUIPMENT REPAIR FUND?
11. Shall the Town appropriate \$20,000.00 for the NEW EQUIPMENT FUND?
12. Shall the Town appropriate \$50,757.28 for the H.F. BRIGHAM LIBRARY for 2027?
13. Shall the Town authorize surplus funds in the amount of \$2589.77 from the H.F. Brigham Free Public Library's 2025 operating fund, to be transferred to the Library's Improvement Fund?
14. Shall the Town appropriate \$5,000.00 for the BAKERSFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY for 2027?
15. Shall the Town appropriate \$4,500.00 for FIREWORKS for the annual July 4th celebration needs?
16. Shall the Town appropriate \$20,000.00 for Cook Cemetery and Maple Grove Cemetery for 2027?
17. Shall the Town appropriate \$5,000.00 to the Bakersfield Veterans Memorial Committee?
18. Shall the Town appropriate the following sums of money:
 - a. \$500.00 Cat Crusaders of Franklin County, Inc.
 - b. \$600.00 Missisquoi Valley River Basin Association
 - c. \$200.00 Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation
 - d. \$1,945.50 Northwest Solid Waste District
 - e. \$5,000.00 Fairfield Community Center
 - f. \$500.00 American Red Cross
 - g. \$200.00 Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force
 - h. \$150.00 Franklin County Senior Center
 - i. \$500.00 Care Partners Adult Day Center
 - j. \$1,614.00 Northwest Regional Planning Commission
 - k. \$2,776.00 VNA & Hospice

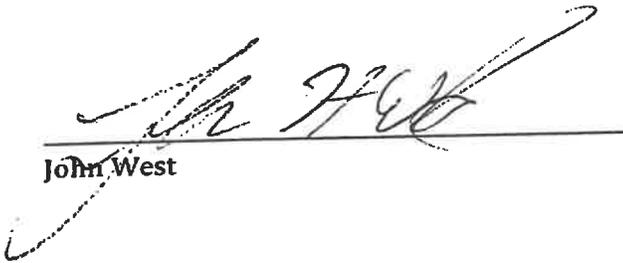
- l. \$100.00 Green Up Vermont
- m. \$1500.00 Age Well
- n. \$1000.00 Lucas James Williams Memorial Youth Fund, Ltd.
- O. \$95.00 Vermont Center for Independent Living
- P. \$100.00 Laurie's House

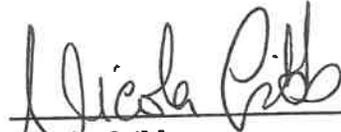
19. To do any other business that can be properly transacted at this time.

Dated the 26th day of January 2026, by the Select Board Members of the Town of Bakersfield.


Joshua Goss, Chair


Lance Lawyer, Vice-Chair


John West


Nicola Cribb


Todd Cosgrove

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Informational Meeting for Article 2a, 2b, and 2c, to be held on Monday, February 24th, at 7:00pm at the Bakersfield Town Hall.

1. To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year. **John West So Voted**

2. To vote by Australian Ballot for the following officers and questions.
 - a. Shall the Town appropriate \$450,000.00 for ROAD WORK? **So Voted**
 - b. Shall the Town appropriate \$419,011.75 for the TOWN? **So Voted**
 - c. Shall the Town authorize cannabis retailers in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A ~863?
NO
 - d. Select Board Member 3-year term. **John West So Voted**
 - e. Select Board Member 2-year term. **Todd Cosgrove So Voted**
 - f. Lister 3-year term. **Sharon Evans So Voted**
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i. \$250.00 Vermont Family Network

j. \$1,567.00 Northwest Regional Planning Commission

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l. \$100.00 Green Up Vermont

m. \$1500.00 Age Well

n. \$1000.00 Lucas James Williams Memorial Youth Fund, Ltd.

o. \$95.00 Vermont Center for Independent Living

16. To do any other business that can be properly transacted at this time.

Various mentions of different organizations, 250 year Anniversary

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

**TOWN OF BAKERSFELD
STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED**

GRANDLIST: HOMESTEAD 83,081,400 X 1% = 830814 NON-HOMESTEAD 38,554,100 X 1% = 385541
Town 121,529,200 x 1% = 1,215,292

**Taxes Assessed & Distribution of Collection
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2025**

	<u>Voted</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Assessed</u>	<u>Distribution</u>
ROAD WORK	450,000.00	0.3703	450022.63	450,000.00
GENERAL EXPENSES	419,011.75	0.3448	419032.68	374,747.45
PAVING/GRAVEL FUND (MATCHING)	10,000.00	0.0082	9965.39	10,000.00
BRIDGE REPAIR FUND	10,000.00	0.0082	9965.39	10,000.00
EQUIPMENT REPAIR FUND	34,000.00	0.0280	34028.18	34,000.00
H.F. BRIGHAM LIBRARY For 2024	50,757.28	0.0418	50799.21	50,757.28
BAKERSFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY	5,000.00	0.0041	4982.70	5,000.00
JULY 4TH CELEBRATION - FIREWORKS	4,000.00	0.0033	4010.46	4,000.00
MAPLE GROVE & COOK CEMETERY	20,000.00	0.0165	20052.32	20,000.00
CAT CRUSADERS	500.00	0.0004	486.12	500.00
MISSISQUOI RIVER BASIN ASSOCIATION	600.00	0.0005	607.65	600.00
FRANKLIN CTY. INDUSTRIAL DEV.	200.00	0.0002	243.06	200.00
NORTHWEST VERMONT SOLID WASTE	1,822.80	0.0015	1822.94	1,822.80
FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER	5,000.00	0.0041	4982.70	5,000.00
AMERICAN RED CROSS	500.00	0.0004	486.12	500.00
VT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION	200.00	0.0002	243.06	200.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER	150.00	0.0001	121.53	150.00
VERMONT FAMILY NETWORK	250.00	0.0002	243.06	250.00
NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING	1,567.00	0.0013	1579.88	1,567.00
VNA & HOSPICE	2,776.00	0.0023	2795.17	2,776.00
GREEN UP VERMONT	100.00	0.0001	121.53	100.00
AGE WELL	1,500.00	0.0012	1458.35	1,500.00
LUCAS JAMES MEMORIAL FUND	1,000.00	0.0008	972.23	1,000.00
VT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING	95.00	0.0001	121.53	95.00
TOWN VOTED AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	1,019,029.83	0.8386	1,019,143.89	974,765.53
2025 HOLD HARMLESS	(96,939.00)	\$ (0.0798)	(96,980.30)	
TOTAL TOWN	922,090.83	0.7588	922,163.59	974,765.53
SCHOOL				
HOMESTEAD TAXES	1,193,298.15	1.4363	1,193,298.15	
NON-HOMESTEAD TAXES	691,776.22	1.7943	691,776.22	
TOTAL TO SCHOOL FROM THE TOWN				1,602,507.96
GRAND TOTAL SCHOOL & TOWN	2,807,165.20		2,807,237.96	2,577,273.49
Amount Voted	2,807,165.20			
Changes to grand list	(9,686.57)			
Rounding Adjustment	73.00			
Actual Amount Raised on Grand List	2,797,551.63			
Current Taxes Collected	2,395,749.88			
Tax Adjustment from state for school	278,952.83			
Tax Adjustment from state for town	22,107.57			
2025 Delinquent Tax Collected	77,248.37			
2025 Delinquent Tax Overpayment (2026 Tax Apply)	1.69			
Overpayments (returned)	(20,773.01)			
Total Current Receipts	2,753,287.33			
2025 Delinquent Taxes Left Due	44,264.30			
Actual 2025 Taxes	2,797,551.63			

Town of Bakersfield Budget					
GENERAL FUND					
	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
RECEIPTS					
Bank Interest	\$362.67	\$621.41	\$1,620.83	\$1,457.63	
ARPA Award Book Fund		\$20,000.00			
ARPA Award Grant Writing		\$45,657.29			
BCC		\$750.00	\$178.00		
Book Fund	\$4,816.00	\$3,728.00	\$3,690.00	\$4,370.00	
Brigham Donation	\$1,000.00				
Brigham Residence	\$6,250.00		\$40,277.00		
Cannabis Control Board	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$400.00	\$200.00	
Clerk Fees	\$13,871.00	\$12,425.66	\$13,021.99	\$13,828.00	
Current Taxes	\$1,997,947.37	\$2,160,192.57	\$2,304,382.30	\$2,394,021.17	
2026 Prepaid Taxes				\$3,548.89	
2024 Tax Collected (Not Delinquent)				\$1,680.39	
Delinquent Tax Interest	\$4,150.05	\$7,935.44	\$4,694.04	\$4,587.22	
Delinquent Tax Penalty	\$10,052.31	\$10,562.88	\$7,952.69	\$9,006.96	
Delinquent Taxes	\$125,653.11	\$132,035.90	\$109,613.40	\$112,597.65	
Donations		\$410.00	\$223.59	\$28.19	
Dog Fees - Clerk					
Dog Fees - Town			\$697.27		
Education Reimbursements					
Hold Harmless	\$78,882.00	\$82,200.00	\$87,728.00	\$96,939.00	
Liquor License	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$370.00	\$185.00	
Lister - State	\$6,887.50	\$6,906.50	\$6,954.00	\$7,011.00	
Misc. Income	\$99.00	\$4.00	\$12.72	\$34.00	
Next Year Taxes	\$2,101.02	\$3,365.88	\$1,728.71		
Not Town to be transferred to ARPA	\$93.59				
NOT TOWN - Received				\$76,076.69	
Planning	\$890.00	\$895.00	\$1,135.00	\$980.00	
Previous Year Taxes	\$1,759.28	\$1,753.00			
Reimbursements		\$684.71	\$108.10	\$140.00	
Vermont - Income			\$8,671.00		
Vermont - Property Tax Adjustments				\$22,107.57	
Zoning	\$6,742.66	\$4,965.31	\$8,405.72	\$10,952.64	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$2,261,957.56	\$2,495,493.55	\$2,601,864.36	\$2,759,752.00	
EXPENSES					
	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
Advertising		\$865.05		\$116.40	\$500.00
Ambulance Contract	\$37,566.99	\$39,754.80	\$40,947.48	\$34,854.38	\$42,915.00
Bakersfield Fire Dept. Contract	\$73,814.00	\$83,814.00	\$88,004.00	\$92,404.00	\$97,025.00
BCA Expense	\$645.00	\$88.85	\$398.35	\$190.82	\$2,000.00
BCC Bakersfield Conservation	\$1,555.29	\$1,519.26	\$1,719.15	\$2,985.56	\$3,000.00
BCA Refund of Tax Penalty		\$172.87			
Book Fund	\$697.60	\$2,466.18	\$780.00	\$1,739.03	\$300.00
Brigham Expense	\$5,187.75				\$500.00
Brigham Residence	\$29,653.91	\$14,187.37	\$10,074.07	\$120.00	
Building Expense/Town Hall Repairs	\$188.39	\$745.00	\$3,318.20	\$14,705.99	\$750.00
Cemetery Expense	\$175.00	\$458.21			
Copier Lease	\$1,800.83	\$1,962.44	\$1,944.39	\$2,020.22	\$2,000.00
Court tax	\$10,488.24	\$12,544.38	\$12,579.10	\$11,980.42	\$13,000.00
Direct Tax	\$1,767,768.70	\$2,033,010.05	\$2,110,202.17	\$2,205,992.56	
Direct tax previous year	\$4,307.57	\$139,750.39	\$5,733.43		
Dispatch	\$16,080.00	\$16,884.00	\$17,728.00	\$19,500.00	\$17,325.00
Dog Expense	\$112.69	\$115.21		\$264.59	\$1,000.00
Donation			\$75.00	\$75.00	
Education	\$332.00	\$30.00			\$500.00
Electricity	\$1,397.09	\$1,257.70	\$1,888.25	\$2,127.79	\$2,500.00
Fireworks/July 4th	\$3,759.75	\$4,100.21	\$3,808.91	\$3,697.68	
Flags (Memorial Day)	\$1,581.26	\$1,109.27	\$698.76	\$1,222.04	\$1,750.00

GENERAL FUND CONTINUED	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
EXPENSES					
Flowers	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$225.00	\$350.00	\$500.00
Generator	\$2,389.53	\$4,164.39	\$1,264.20	\$3,160.26	\$3,000.00
Grant Writing Expense		\$1,307.50	\$3,585.00	\$4,597.50	\$1,500.00
Employer FICA/Medicare/Child Care	\$7,150.57	\$7,864.58	\$9,400.92	\$8,997.74	
Health Officer Expense					\$250.00
Heating Oil	\$3,786.71	\$2,771.27	\$3,001.96	\$3,762.51	\$5,000.00
Internet	\$164.45	\$179.40	\$194.35	\$184.20	\$250.00
Late Fees/Penalties/Interest	\$840.25	\$130.69		\$8,774.40	\$10,000.00
Legal					
Library Expense	\$250.00	\$654.02			
Library Grants Transferred	\$1,100.61	\$300.00			
Lister Education		\$294.00	\$582.49	\$225.00	
Lister Expense	\$471.61	\$567.84	\$2,863.16	\$15,313.95	\$5,360.00
Lister Mileage	\$67.67	\$180.54	\$506.27	\$153.26	
Lister Reappraisal Expense			\$13,110.00	\$28,404.98	
Membership/Dues	\$2,687.00	\$2,775.00	\$2,861.00	\$2,924.00	\$3,000.00
Memorial Day				\$186.19	
MERP Expense - Grant Expense					\$250.00
Mileage		\$1.53			\$250.00
Misc.	\$117.49				
Monument Expense	\$0.00				
Office Expense	\$3,614.67	\$3,805.85	\$4,914.85	\$4,521.60	\$6,000.00
Outside Audit					\$5,000.00
Overpayment Del. Tax					
Overpayment taxes	\$20,723.68	\$13,484.48	\$15,763.91	\$23,595.85	
Overpayment Zoning	\$33.60				
Park Water Bill	\$160.00				
Planning Expense	\$234.20	\$381.02	\$74.80	\$339.55	\$500.00
Planning Expense - Grant Expense				\$3,005.91	
Portolet	\$128.00	\$128.00	\$128.00	\$128.00	\$500.00
Postage	\$700.90	\$320.69	\$282.40	\$2,565.09	\$2,500.00
Property & Casualty/Worker's Comp.	\$22,619.25	\$27,229.25	\$28,144.68	\$21,452.07	\$31,000.00
Public Announce. System	\$300.00		\$500.00	\$500.00	\$750.00
Quickbooks	\$905.10	\$1,153.28	\$3,049.73	\$3,084.60	\$3,500.00
Selectboard Expense	\$562.87	\$655.15	\$1,341.94		\$500.00
Legal			\$725.00		
Simple IRA Employer			\$718.42	\$563.78	
Street Lights	\$2,093.81	\$2,161.58	\$2,247.13	\$2,355.02	\$2,500.00
Tax Prep					
Telephone	\$1,583.83	\$1,634.94	\$1,544.42	\$1,548.54	\$1,500.00
Town Park Expense	\$113.74		\$27.81	\$1,863.03	
Unemployment	\$574.00	\$524.00	\$640.00	\$622.00	
VT Tax					\$360.00
Water - Office	\$160.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	
Water - Town Common					\$500.00
Website				\$72.34	
Zoning	\$391.08	\$203.66		\$476.28	\$750.00
Zoning Legal	\$6,250.00	\$375.00			
Zoom	\$149.00		\$159.90	\$159.90	\$250.00
Wages / Payroll Expenses	\$93,473.01	\$102,802.79	\$119,239.49	\$111,219.58	\$150,974.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,131,208.69	\$2,531,390.56	\$2,518,875.96	\$2,649,383.61	\$421,509.00
Total Budget Spent	\$2,131,208.69	\$2,531,390.56	\$2,518,875.96	\$2,649,383.61	
Total Budget Voted In	\$281,080.00	\$297,950.00	\$362,000.00	\$419,011.75	
Total Receipts	\$2,261,957.56	\$2,495,493.55	\$2,601,864.36	\$2,759,752.00	
Total Wages & Expenses	\$2,131,208.69	\$2,531,390.56	\$2,518,875.96	\$2,649,383.61	\$421,509.00
	\$130,748.87	-\$35,897.01	\$82,988.40	\$110,368.39	
Amount to be Voted					\$421,509.00

Town of Bakersfield Budget					
ROAD ACCOUNT					
	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
RECEIPTS					
ATV Permits	\$930.00	\$670.00	\$740.00	\$260.00	
Bank Interest	\$10.81	\$21.02	\$142.02	\$351.22	
Break In Expenses			\$4,361.29		
Direct Tax	\$386,384.84	\$400,000.00	\$425,000.00	\$450,000.00	
FEMA Loan	\$307,308.43				
FEMA Reimbursement	\$482,321.89	\$357,060.80			
From New Equip. for Grader	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00			
Gravel Pit Account	\$1,744.11	\$1,813.20	\$1,904.61	\$1,896.95	
Loans from our Accounts	\$20,000.00				
Miscellaneous		\$205.24			
Paving Reimbursement		\$140,314.73			
Reimbursements Fuel	\$99.53			\$477.30	
Reimbursement	\$1,925.50	\$240.97	\$855.76	\$211.98	
Reimbursement Loan Interest		\$27.08			
Reimbursement from New. Equip.		\$6,000.00			
Road Access Permits	\$995.00	\$560.00	\$280.00	\$560.00	
Mower Sale	\$5,150.00				
Public Safety			\$86,807.75		
Better Roads			\$6,400.00		
State Aid	\$96,735.25	\$92,941.07	\$98,604.58	\$50,761.06	
State Aid Previous Year		\$49,252.77		\$191,812.33	
Grant - Housing & Community Dev				\$6,919.00	
Transfer from Equipment Repair				\$1,652.10	
Vehicle/Fleet Permits	\$425.00	\$405.00	\$410.00	\$440.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,364,030.36	\$1,109,511.88	\$625,506.01	\$705,341.94	
	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
SALARIES					
William Newett	\$63,906.92	\$67,742.88	\$72,898.49	\$66,268.17	
Mark Allen	\$60,524.30	\$64,528.93	\$30,605.01		
Daniel Forand	\$53,398.08	\$39,929.98			
Alan Cook		\$12,393.75	\$60,272.34	\$69,062.86	
Lance Lawyer	\$5,981.25	\$962.50			
Brian Westcom			\$24,243.75	\$47,470.80	
TOTAL SALARIES	\$183,810.55	\$185,557.84	\$188,019.59	\$182,801.83	\$221,450.00
EXPENSES					
Advertising	\$372.50	\$60.00			\$500.00
ATV Stickers	\$75.00	\$54.00	\$42.00	\$42.00	\$100.00
Building Expense				\$18,250.00	
CDL License/Training		\$90.00	\$108.00	\$108.00	\$3,000.00
Clothing Allotment	\$1,837.60	\$1,113.50	\$1,404.34	\$1,491.55	\$1,500.00
Contracted Labor	\$7,661.25	\$1,222.92			\$5,000.00
Culverts			\$2,183.65		\$5,000.00
Dental & Vision	\$1,410.13	\$1,357.34	\$748.60	\$496.81	\$1,500.00
Diesel / Equipment Fuel	\$31,636.00	\$29,209.13	\$25,335.04	\$26,700.85	\$30,000.00
Disability Insurance	\$251.36	\$217.00	\$355.44	\$320.08	\$350.00
Ditch/Drainage Supplies			\$11,809.00		\$10,000.00
Electricity	\$1,441.25	\$1,515.31	\$1,679.45	\$2,362.59	\$2,500.00
Equipment Chains	\$3,059.56				
Equipment Gas	\$70.31	\$60.95	\$23.51	\$15.51	\$100.00
Equipment Rental			\$13,050.00	\$10,507.78	\$15,000.00
Equipment Repair Fund					\$33,500.00
Equipment Repair Fund Reimburse (Equip)				\$1,652.10	\$33,500.00

ROAD ACCT. CONTINUED	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	FY26 Budget
Excavator Expense		\$262.50	\$350.00	\$900.00	
FEMA Work Expense	\$384,360.02				
FEMA Principal/Interest Paid	\$417,321.89	\$380,349.74			
FEMA LOC Interest	\$9,872.41				
Gates (Skinner Hill)	\$0.00			\$178.29	
Grader	\$120,000.00				\$1,000.00
Grant Aid		\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Grant Expense - Road Signs				\$11,877.24	\$1,000.00
Gravel Pit Expense	\$180.00	\$776.64	\$3,139.20	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00
Gravel Pit Loan Interest	\$2,460.92	\$1,117.61			
Gravel Pit Principal	\$37,539.08	\$37,815.61			
Guard Rails	\$0.00				\$5,000.00
Health Insurance / Stipend	\$32,839.90	\$11,674.94	\$6,930.36	\$3,600.00	\$20,000.00
Health Stipend		\$1,800.00			
Heating Fuel	\$6,154.93	\$5,111.54	\$4,736.53	\$6,287.88	\$7,000.00
Hydro-Seeder / Mulch Expense	\$155.70	\$187.62	\$4,009.99	\$190.00	\$1,000.00
Insurance Claim			\$4,246.00		
Loan Paybacks to our accounts		\$26,000.00			
Mileage	\$1,754.48	\$1,340.18	\$2,283.03	\$2,264.16	\$1,750.00
Miscellaneous	\$19.61	\$1,000.00	\$10.01		
Mower Sale to N. Equipment	\$5,160.00				
Office Expense		\$319.00			
Mulch			\$1,099.86		
Pagers	\$597.60	\$615.60	\$615.60	\$630.00	\$750.00
Paving	\$140,314.73			\$210,031.66	
Plowing (after flooding)		\$4,600.00			\$600.00
Radio License			\$544.00		
Reimbursement		\$574.20		\$140.00	
Repairs North Station		\$255.22	\$614.05		
Repairs Shop			\$573.56		\$25,000.00
Repairs - Buildings					\$1,000.00
Road Erosion Invent./Renewal Fee	\$8,240.00	\$640.00		\$343.13	\$1,000.00
Road Signs	\$147.67	\$3,838.36			
Roadside Mowing			\$478.49		\$2,000.00
Safety / Training / Equipment			\$27,399.05	\$29,577.15	\$30,000.00
Salt/Chlorine/Cold Patch	\$22,459.73	\$28,208.98			
Sand/Gravel/Stone	\$8,694.00	\$13,279.00			
Shop Expense	\$5,179.06	\$7,314.09	\$7,730.32	\$7,833.38	\$7,500.00
Simple IRA (Town Share)	\$5,397.77	\$5,166.08	\$5,042.39	\$5,453.79	\$7,500.00
Social Security/Medicare/Child Care Tax	\$14,061.54	\$14,195.26	\$14,780.47	\$14,788.66	\$17,950.00
Storm Water Operating Fee	\$1,350.00	\$1,285.00	\$1,350.00	\$1,510.00	\$1,550.00
Street Lights	\$161.06	\$166.28	\$172.88	\$181.16	\$175.00
TAN Interest					
TAN Principal					\$1,500.00
Telephone / Fidium	\$809.70	\$1,002.85	\$1,449.43	\$1,468.10	
Truck #1 Repairs			\$20,772.24	\$688.16	
Truck #2 Repairs			\$400.00	\$31,413.14	
Truck #3 Repairs	\$550.00			\$269.02	
Truck Repairs/Maint (All)				\$190.00	
Truck Payments	\$55,832.84	\$55,832.84	\$29,835.51	\$29,835.51	\$55,000.00
VOSHA				\$398.00	\$500.00
Water	\$320.00	\$280.00	\$280.00	\$280.00	\$280.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,329,329.60	\$640,909.27	\$195,582.00	\$423,275.70	\$302,105.00
Total Receipts	\$1,364,030.36	\$1,109,511.88	\$625,506.01	\$705,341.94	
Total Wages and Expenses	\$1,513,140.15	\$826,467.11	\$383,601.59	\$606,077.53	\$523,555.00
	(\$149,109.79)	\$283,044.77	\$241,904.42		

**GENERAL FUND
STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025	\$601,530.83
RECEIPTS	
Hold Harmless Payment	96,939.00
2025 Taxes	2,394,021.17
2026 Prepaid Taxes	3,548.89
2024 Taxes Collected NOT Delinquent	1,680.39
Bank Interest	1,457.63
Book Fund	4,370.00
Cannabis Control Board	200.00
Clerk Fees	13,828.00
Delinquent Taxes	112,597.65
1% Interest	4,587.22
8% Penalty to Collector	9,006.96
Donations	28.19
Zoning	10,952.64
NOT TOWN - Received	76,076.69
Planning Commission Income	980.00
Liquor Licenses	185.00
Lister--State	7,011.00
Listers Income	5.00
Miscellaneous	29.00
Reimbursements	140.00
VT - Property Tax Adjustments	22,107.57
Total Receipts	\$2,759,752.00
Total Available	\$3,361,282.83
TOTAL SELECTMEN'S ORDERS DRAWN	\$2,900,507.00
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025	\$460,775.83

**GENERAL FUND
ANALYSIS OF ORDERS DRAWN**

SALARIES	
Selectmen	5,895.00
Selectboard Secretary	3,076.93
Town Clerk	15,913.56
Treasurer	28,840.00
Assistant Clerk	7,225.43
Assistant Treasurer	-
Land Records	1,156.49
Delinquent Tax Collector	9,399.00
Listers	18,888.58
Auditors	2,308.94
Zoning Administrator	3,427.03
Town Clerk Fees	13,795.00
BCA-Ballot Clerks	1,046.42
Custodian	247.20
Total Salaries	\$111,219.58

GENERAL EXPENSES

Advertising	116.40
Ambulance Contract	34,854.38
Bakersfield Conservation Committee	2,985.56
Bakersfield Volunteer Fire Department Contract	92,404.00
BCA/Ballot Clerk Expense	190.82
Book Fund	1,739.03
Brigham Academy Residence Project	120.00
Copier Contract	2,020.22
Court Tax	11,980.42
Dispatching Fees	19,500.00
Dog Expense	264.59
Donation	75.00
Electricity - Office	1,684.29
Electricity - Town Common	443.50
Fireworks -- Annual Fourth	3,697.68
Flags	1,222.04
Flowers	350.00
Generator	3,160.26
Grant Writer Expense	4,597.50
Heating Fuel	3,762.51
Internet Comcast	184.20
Legal	8,774.40
Listers' Education	225.00
Listers' Expense	15,313.95
Listers' Mileage	153.26
Listers' Reappraisal Expense	28,404.98
Membership Dues VLCT	2,924.00
MERP Expense: Grant Expense	186.19
NOT TOWN - Transferred Out: Library MERP Grant Expense	8,100.00
NOT TOWN - Transferred Out: Not Town (Road Previous Year)	191,812.33
NOT TOWN - Transferred Out: Not Town (Trust Previous Year)	100.00
NOT TOWN - Transferred Out: Not Town to Library	350.00
NOT TOWN - Transferred Out: Not Town to Road	50,761.06
Office Expense	4,521.60
Overpayment of 2024 Property Taxes	3,646.00
Overpayment of 2025 Property Taxes	19,949.85
Payroll Taxes	8,508.38
Child Care Tax	489.36
Employer 401K	563.78
Planning Expense	339.55
Planning Expense: Grant Expense	3,005.91
Portolet	128.00
Postage	2,565.09
Property and Casualty - VLCT	21,452.07
Public Announcement System	500.00
Quick Books	3,084.60
Street Lights	2,355.02
Telephone (Consolidated)	1,548.54
Town Hall Repairs	14,705.99
Town Park Expense	1,863.03
Unemployment	622.00
Water Bill - Office	140.00
Water Bill - Town Common	140.00

Website Expense	72.34	
Zoning Expense	476.28	
Zoom Expense	159.90	
Total General Expenses		\$583,294.86

DIRECT TAXES

Age Well	1,500.00	
American Red Cross	500.00	
Bakersfield Historical Society	5,000.00	
Bridge Repair Fund	10,000.00	
Cat Crusaders of Franklin County	500.00	
Education Tax - Previous Year	7,466.52	
Equipment Repairs	34,000.00	
Fairfield Community Center	5,000.00	
Franklin County Industrial Development	200.00	
Franklin County Senior Center	150.00	
Green Up Vermont	100.00	
H.F. Brigham Library	50,757.28	
Lucas James Williams Memorial Fund	1,000.00	
Maple Grove Cemetery	20,000.00	
Missisquoi River Basin Association	600.00	
N. W. Vt. Solid Waste Management District	1,822.80	
Northwest Reg. Planning and Dev Comm.	1,567.00	
Paving/Gravel Fund	10,000.00	
Road Work	450,000.00	
School District	1,602,507.96	
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	200.00	
VNA & Hospice (formerly Franklin County Home Health)	2,776.00	
VT Center for Independent Living	95.00	
VT Family Network	250.00	
Total Direct Taxes Paid		\$2,205,992.56
TOTAL SELECTMEN'S ORDERS, DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$2,900,507.00

STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2025
PROPERTY TAXES

	Balance January 1, 2025	To Collector	Collections	Balance December 31, 2025
2021	2,503.90			2,503.90
2022	4,217.95		(1,761.77)	2,456.18
2023	12,125.73		(8,229.38)	3,896.35
2024	43,162.91		(25,358.13)	17,804.78
2025		121,512.67	(77,248.37)	44,264.30
TOTAL	\$ 62,010.49	\$ 121,512.67	\$ (112,597.65)	\$ 70,925.51
				\$112,597.65
				4,587.20
TOTAL RECEIVED				\$117,184.85

**GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2025
CURRENT ASSETS		
Town Treasurer-Cash Balance	\$ 840,467.09	\$ 460,775.83
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	62,010.49	70,925.51
Total Assets	\$ 902,477.58	\$ 531,701.34

PETTY CASH FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 300.00
RECEIPTS	\$ 468.16	
December 23, 2025		468.16
Total Receipts		768.16
Total Available		
DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 310.24	
Postage	\$ 73.74	
Zoning Expense	\$ 84.18	
Office Supplies		468.16
Total Disbursements		\$ 300.00
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		

GRAND LIST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ (34,115.16)
RECEIPTS		
State Fund for Maintenance of Grand List	\$ 738.00	
Total Receipts		<u>738.00</u>
Total Available		<u>(33,377.16)</u>
 DISBURSEMENTS		
Listers' Salaries	18,888.58	
Classes	225.00	
Dues	50.00	
Miscellaneous	14,215.00	
Mileage	153.26	
Supplies/Postage	93.65	
Software Maintenance	955.30	
Listers' FICA	<u>1,444.96</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>36,025.75</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ <u>(69,402.91)</u>

ZONING INCOME AND EXPENSE

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 3,358.46
RECEIPTS		
Zoning Fees	<u>10,952.64</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>10,952.64</u>
Total Available		<u>14,311.10</u>
 DISBURSEMENTS		
Zoning Administrator	3,427.03	
FICA	262.19	
Advertising Fees	75.60	
Postage & Supplies	199.84	
Mileage	94.44	
ZBA	<u>106.40</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>4,165.50</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ <u>10,145.60</u>

PLANNING INCOME AND EXPENSE

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 8,107.96
Planning Fees	<u>980.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>980.00</u>
Total Available		<u>9,087.96</u>
 DISBURSEMENTS		
Advertising Expense	266.80	
Supplies/Postage	72.75	
Regional Planning (Grant)	<u>3,005.91</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>3,345.46</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ <u>5,742.50</u>

TOWN HALL REPAIR

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 63,109.90
RECEIPTS		
Delinquent Tax Interest	<u>4,587.22</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>4,587.22</u>
Total Available		67,697.12
DISBURSEMENTS		
Building Expense	<u>14,705.99</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>14,705.99</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 52,991.13

BOOK RESTORATION, PRESERVATION AND DIGITALIZATION FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 45,265.91
RECEIPTS		
Book Fund	<u>4,370.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>4,370.00</u>
Total Available		49,635.91
DISBURSEMENTS		
Book Fund	<u>2,983.99</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>2,983.99</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 46,651.92

BAKERSFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 3,193.98
RECEIPTS		
Budgeted by Selectboard	<u>1,500.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Available		4,693.98
DISBURSEMENTS		
Membershio Renewel	125.00	
Reimbursements	1,516.04	
Plants	832.52	
Portolet	<u>512.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>2,985.56</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 1,708.42

FOURTH OF JULY FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 1,417.86
RECEIPTS		
Direct Tax	<u>4,000.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>4,000.00</u>
Total Available		<u>5,417.86</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
Fireworks Expense	<u>3,697.68</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>3,697.68</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 1,720.18

REAPPRAISAL FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 29,291.50
RECEIPTS		
As voted	32,000.00	
VT Payment	<u>6,273.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>38,273.00</u>
Total Available		<u>67,564.50</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
Tyle Tech	<u>23,670.81</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>23,670.81</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 43,893.69

AUDIT FUND 2028

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 5,000.00
RECEIPTS		
As voted	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Available		<u>10,000.00</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
Disbursements	<u>-</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 10,000.00

GRANT WRITING FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 40,764.79
RECEIPTS	-	-
Total Receipts		<u>40,764.79</u>
Total Available		
DISBURSEMENTS		
Grant Writer	<u>4,597.50</u>	<u>4,597.50</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>4,597.50</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 36,167.29

PA SYSTEM FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ (75.00)
RECEIPTS		
As Voted	<u>750.00</u>	<u>750.00</u>
Total Receipts		<u>675.00</u>
Total Available		
DISBURSEMENTS		
Disbursement	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>500.00</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 175.00

BAKERSFIELD RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 24,377.04
RECEIPTS		
RDAG Loan principal	3,023.89	
RDAG loan interest	857.82	
Bank Interest	<u>24.60</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>3,906.31</u>
Total Available		<u>28,283.35</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
	-	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ <u>28,283.35</u>

	Notes Payable 1/1/2025	2025 Additions	2025 Payments	Notes Payable 12/31/2025	2025 Interest Paid
TOWN OF BAKERSFIELD					
Kansas St. Bank of Manhattan Truck #3	\$ 29,017.23	-	29,017.23	\$ -	\$ 818.28

TOWN OF BAKERSFIELD	Notes Payable 1/1/2026	Due Date	Interest Rate

ROAD ACCOUNT

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025 \$ 336,052.65

RECEIPTS

ATV Permits	260.00	
Bank Interest	351.22	
Direct Tax	450,000.00	
Fleet/Vehicle Permits	440.00	
Gravel Pit Lease	1,896.95	
Reimbursements	211.98	
BVFD Reimb. For fuel	477.30	
Road Access Permits	560.00	
State Aid Previous Year	191,812.33	
State Aid 2025	50,761.06	
Transfer from Equipment Repair	1,652.10	
Grant - Housing and Community Development	6,919.00	
		<u>705,341.94</u>
Total Receipts		<u>1,041,394.59</u>
Total Available		

DISBURSEMENTS

Total Road Orders Drawn	<u>606,077.53</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>606,077.53</u>
CHECKING BALANCE DECEMBER 31,2025		<u><u>\$ 435,317.06</u></u>

GRAVEL PIT ACTIVITY SUMMARY

RECEIPTS

Lease payments	<u>\$ 1,896.95</u>	
Total Receipts Gravel Pit		<u>\$ 1,896.95</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Permits	<u>\$ -</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$ -</u>

ROAD ACCOUNT-DISBURSEMENTS BY JOB

Dirt Work	42,408.27
Winter Work	299,298.96
Mowing	11,150.38
Grant	11,877.24
Paving	209,280.94
Town Road #6	1,460.10
Town Road #7	1,031.00
Town Road #9	2,428.00
Town Road #14	1,460.08
Town Road #15	1,460.08
Town Road #17	13,829.08
Town Road #20	1,460.08
Town Road #33	1,031.00
Town Road #34	1,460.08
Town Road #35	1,460.08
Town Road #37	1,031.00
Town Road #38	1,460.08
Town Road #42	1,460.08
Town Road #44	1,031.00
TOTAL ORDERS DRAWN DECEMBER 31, 2025	<u><u>\$ 606,077.53</u></u>

ROAD ACCOUNT DISBURSEMENTS BY ITEM**SALARIES**

William Newett	66,268.17	
Alan Cook	69,062.86	
Brian Westcom	47,470.80	
Total Salaries		<u>\$ 182,801.83</u>

OTHER EXPENSES

ATV	42.00	
Building Expense	18,250.00	
CDL License/Training	108.00	
Child Care Tax	804.32	
Clothing Allotment	1,491.55	
Dental/Vision	496.81	
Disability Expense	320.08	
Electricity (North Building/Old Fire Station)	548.21	
Electricity (South Building)	1,814.38	
Equipment Fuel	26,700.85	
Equipment Rentals	10,507.78	
Equipment Expenses		
Excavator Expense	900.00	
Truck #1 Repairs	688.16	
Truck #2 Repairs	31,413.14	
Truck #3 Repairs	269.02	
Grader Expense (1990)	178.29	
Equipment Repairs (All Equipment)	190.00	
Equipment Repairs reimb. From Equipment Acct.	1,652.10	
Gas Reimbursement	15.51	
Grant Expense - Road Signs	11,877.24	
Gravel Pit Expense	1,000.00	
Health Insurance & Stipends	3,600.00	
Heating Fuel (North Building/Old Fire Station)	2,263.03	
Heating Fuel (South Building)	4,024.85	
Hydro Seeder Expense	190.00	
Mileage	2,264.16	
Pager	630.00	
Paving - Cold Patch	210,031.66	
Reimbursement	140.00	
Road Sign Expense	343.13	
Salt/Chloride	29,577.15	
Shop Expense	7,833.38	
Simple IRA	5,453.79	
Social Security & Medicare	13,984.34	
Storm Water Operating Fee	1,510.00	
Street Light	181.16	
Truck Principal Payment	29,017.23	
Truck Interest Payment	818.28	
Telephone	1,468.10	
VOSHA	398.00	
Water (North and South)	280.00	
Total Other Expenses		<u>423,275.70</u>
TOTAL ORDERS DRAWN DECEMBER 31,2025		<u>\$ 606,077.53</u>

EQUIPMENT REPAIR FUND		
BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 11,182.99
RECEIPTS		
Direct Tax	34,000.00	
Interest	24.63	
Total Earnings		<u>34,024.63</u>
Total Available		45,207.62
DISBURSEMENTS		
All Equipment Expense	2,701.30	
Grader	404.26	
Loader	217.02	
Grader (2)	348.82	
Shop Expense	882.19	
Screener	80.00	
Tractor/Snowblower	1,889.65	
Truck #1	11,139.62	
Truck #2	12,843.14	
Truck #3	3,109.42	
Total Expenses		<u>33,615.42</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 11,592.20

NEW EQUIPMENT FUND		
BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 107,659.09
RECEIPTS		
Interest	269.49	
Total Receipts		<u>269.49</u>
Total Available		107,928.58
DISBURSEMENTS		
Total Disbursements		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 107,928.58

BRIDGE ACCOUNT		
BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 95,513.85
RECEIPTS		
Direct Tax	10,000.00	
Interest	97.18	
Total Receipts		<u>10,097.18</u>
Total Available		105,611.03
DISBURSEMENTS		
Total Disbursements		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 105,611.03

PAVING / GRANT FUND		
BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 54,343.84
RECEIPTS		
Direct Tax	10,000.00	
Interest	55.98	
Total Receipts		<u>10,055.98</u>
Total Available		64,399.82
DISBURSEMENTS		
Total Disbursements		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 64,399.82

BAKERSFIELD FIRE DISTRICT #1 2025

OPERATING FUND BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025 **\$86,684.91**

RECEIPTS

Current Water Receipts	40,820.00	
Delinquent Water Receipts	3,370.00	
Penalties	269.60	
Delinquent Interest	75.70	
Street Lights	2,536.18	
Overpayments	414.00	
Bank Interest	84.09	
Total Receipts		\$47,569.57

DISBURSEMENTS

Electricity	10,698.61	
Insurance & Worker's Comp.	1,415.73	
Dues	1,420.00	
Office supplies, Postage, Box Rent	188.13	
Water samples	545.00	
Permit To Operate	717.25	
Social Security & Medicare	434.97	
Child Care Tax	25.02	
Collector	1,200.00	
Treasurer	700.00	
Clerk	600.00	
Operator	1,846.25	
Labor	189.75	
Auditors	100.00	
Prudential Committee	1,050.00	
Low Water Alarm System	32,656.41	
Reservoir Inspection & Cleaning	4,750.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	0.00	
Overpayments Returned	41.20	
Contracted Labor	570.00	
Travel Expense	582.40	
Total Disbursements for Operating Expenses		\$59,730.72
Transferred to Replacement Fund per Votes		\$15,000.00
Operating Fund Cash on Hand December 31, 2025		\$59,523.76

Replacement Fund Money Market January 1, 2025	\$84,402.29
Expenses	\$0.00
To CD	(\$70,000.00)
Money Market Interest	49.35
Transferred from Operating Fund per Vote	15,000.00
Replacement Fund Money Market December 31, 2025	\$29,451.64

Replacement Fund CD January 1, 2025	0.00
From Money Market	70,000.00
Interest Earned	1,486.86
Replacement Fund CD December 31, 2025	71,486.86

Total Replacement Fund	100,938.50
Delinquent Water, Penalties, & Interest	\$677.60

SUMMARY OF THE SOURCES & PURPOSES OF THE BAKERSFIELD TRUST FUNDS

BRIGHAM ACADEMY FUND	
In 1878, Sarah Jacobs and two others gave to build the Academy (Used to build, not included in Trust)	\$8,000.00
In 1877, Peter Bent Brigham left to aid education	\$30,000.00
In 1891, Sarah Jacobs left to support the Academy	\$100,000.00
With accumulated interest	<u>\$3,475.00</u>
TOTAL BRIGHAM ACADEMY TRUST FUNDS	\$133,475.00

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS	
In 1877, Peter Bent Brigham left to start a cemetery trust fund	\$10,000.00
In 1928, willed by Mattie Boutell Smith	\$500.00
willed by Loretta Brown	\$100.00
In 1955, willed by Mathilda Potter	\$100.00
In 1956, willed by Caroline Shattuck	\$1,000.00
In 1961, willed by Elwyn Vincent	\$177.93
willed by child	\$2,499.07
In 2002, willed by May E. Regan	\$5,000.00
In 2015, willed by Holden Doane	\$2,000.00
In 2025 given by Allan & Christine Brown	\$100.00

GILBERT FUND	
In, 1957, Howard Gilbert left to establish a fund for cemetery care	\$29,466.71
In 1986, Gilbert Stock Principal Inc.	\$63.29

COWAN FUND	
In 1990, Marian Cowan left for the care, maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery.	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
TOTAL CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS	\$53,007.00

J.K. MAYNARD FUND	
In 1888, Jesse K. Maynard left in trust, for the care of the worthy poor, with the unused income subject to the vote of the town.	\$15,518.00

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS	
WEEKS FUND	
In 1942, willed by Mary F. Weeks to build, equip, and maintain the H.F. Brigham Library.	\$22,043.00
SHELDON LIBRARY FUND	
In 1989 given in memory of Hortense Sheldon to be invested by the Trustees of Public Funds, with income for the benefit of the H.F. Brigham Library	\$35,000.00
SHELDON LIBRARY BOOK FUND	
In 1994, willed by Hortense Sheldon, to be invested by the Trustees of Public Funds, with all income used to buy books for the H.F. Brigham Library	<u>\$16,315.00</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS	\$73,358.00

BRIGHAM HOUSE FUND	
In 1983, sale of the principal's house (established by vote, not will) with proceeds usually voted to the School District	\$15,000.00

MARGARET J. CUTTING FUND	
1991-1993 from the Maebelle Cutting Estate willed to the Town of Bakersfield, under the management and discretion of its Trustees to form the Margaret J. Cutting Trust. The income is to be used: 20% to the Bakersfield Congregational Church (with specific directions); and 80% to be awarded to students first in Bakersfield and then Franklin County, as funds are available (with guidelines contained in the will.	\$508,389.00
In 2015, willed by Holden Doane, for Scholarships.	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
TOTAL CUTTING FUNDS	\$528,389.00

THOMAS L. TUPPER FUND	
In 2003, received from the trustee, the residue of the Thomas L. Tupper Estate, for relief and assistance of the needy and poor persons of Bakersfield. Held in an expendable interest account, and dispensed at the discretion of the Trustees of Public Funds.	\$135,323.01
In 2015, willed by Holden Doane.	<u>\$8,000.00</u>
TOTAL TUPPER FUNDS	\$143,323.01

BRIGHAM ACADEMY EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	19.83
RECEIPTS			
Loan Interest	\$	3,259.86	
Savings Interest		<u>4.48</u>	
Total Receipts			<u>3,264.34</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>3,284.17</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
Bakersfield School District	\$	<u>19.83</u>	
Total Disbursements			<u>19.83</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>3,264.34</u>

BRIGHAM HOUSE EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	2,583.39
RECEIPTS			
Savings Interest	\$	<u>13.47</u>	
Total Receipts			<u>13.47</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>2,596.86</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
School District (by vote)	\$	<u>-</u>	
Total Disbursements			<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>2,596.86</u>

WEEKS LIBRARY EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	2,070.71
RECEIPTS			
Mortgage Interest	\$	2,533.17	
Savings Interest		<u>2.49</u>	
Total Receipts			<u>2,535.66</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>4,606.37</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
H.F. Brigham Library	\$	<u>2,070.71</u>	
Total Disbursements			<u>2,070.71</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>2,535.66</u>

SHELDON LIBRARY BOOK EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 217.36
RECEIPTS		
Mortgage Interest	\$ 820.29	
Savings Interest	\$ 5.48	
Total Receipts		<u>825.77</u>
Total Available		\$ 1,043.13
DISBURSEMENTS		
H. F. Brigham Library	\$ 217.36	
Total Disbursements		<u>217.36</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 20245		\$ 825.77

J. K. MAYNARD EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 3,295.48
RECEIPTS		
Donation to Interest	\$ 378.24	
Loan Interest	\$ 885.00	
Savings Interest	\$ 4.59	
Total Receipts		<u>1,267.83</u>
Total Available		\$ 4,563.31
DISBURSEMENTS		
Requested Needs	\$ -	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>-</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 4,563.31

GILBERT/COWAN/CEMETERY EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 4,235.92
RECEIPTS		
Mortgage Interest	\$ 5,120.89	
Savings Interest	\$ 11.79	
Total Receipts		<u>5,132.68</u>
Total Available		\$ 9,368.60
DISBURSEMENTS		
Cemetery Operating Fund	\$ 4,235.92	
Total Disbursements		<u>4,235.92</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$ 5,132.68

MARGARET J. CUTTING EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	41,873.33
RECEIPTS			
Investment Account	\$ 37,172.72		
Unused Scholarships	<u>2,250.00</u>		
Total Receipts			<u>39,422.72</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>81,296.05</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
Church of Bakersfield & Fairfield Scholarships	\$ 8,742.82		
	<u>31,500.00</u>		
Total Disbursements			<u>40,242.82</u>
CHECKING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>41,053.23</u>

SHELDON LIBRARY INVESTMENT EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	-
RECEIPTS			
Investment Account	\$ 2,540.90		
Total Receipts			<u>2,540.90</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>2,540.90</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
H. F. Brigham Library	\$ 2,540.90		
Total Disbursements			<u>2,540.90</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	-

THOMAS L. TUPPER EXPENDABLE INTEREST FUND

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	13,264.14
RECEIPTS			
Investment Account	\$ 7,598.88		
Total Receipts			<u>7,598.88</u>
Total Available		\$	<u>20,863.02</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
Requested Needs	\$ 10,622.47		
Total Disbursements			<u>10,622.47</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>10,240.55</u>

**CIVIL SUIT JUDGEMENT
LINDA HALL**

BALANCE DUE JANUARY 1, 2025		\$	584,880.00
2025 Receipts			<u>(700.00)</u>
BALANCE DUE DECEMBER 31, 2025		\$	<u>584,180.00</u>

	MARGARET CUTTING TRUST (R.M. Davis, Inc.)	SHELDON TRUST (LIBRARY) (R.M. Davis, Inc.)	TUPPER TRUST (R.M. Davis, Inc.)
BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025	\$ 966,901.72	81,178.96	\$ 249,483.27
RECEIPTS			
Deposits into Margaret Cutting Trust	\$ 40.90		
Net Earnings and Capital Return	21,706.64	1,483.60	4,437.25
Change of Value	120,250.22	2,526.89	14,568.02
Total Receipts	<u>141,997.76</u>	<u>4,010.49</u>	<u>19,005.27</u>
Total Available	<u>1,108,899.48</u>	<u>85,189.45</u>	<u>268,488.54</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
Scholarships	30,181.44		
First Congregational Church Library	6,991.27	2,540.89	7,598.87
Tupper Expendable Interest Fund			1,559.68
Administrative Charges	7,650.85	521.48	1,559.68
Total Disbursements	<u>44,823.56</u>	<u>3,062.37</u>	<u>9,158.55</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025	<u>\$ 1,064,075.92</u>	<u>82,127.08</u>	<u>\$ 259,329.99</u>

**CEMETERY OPERATING FUND
MAPLE GROVE CEMETERY**

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2025		\$ 33,599.65
RECEIPTS		
Direct Tax	20,000.00	
Trust Fund Interest	4,235.92	
Bank Interest	30.98	
Total Receipts	<u>24,266.90</u>	
Total Available		<u>57,866.55</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
Donation - VOCA	750.00	
Maintenance, Repair and Equipment Rental	163.61	
Mowing - Cook Cemetery	1,000.02	
Mowing - Maplegrove Cemetery	9,620.00	
Rock / Stone	76.20	
Water	140.00	
Total Disbursements		<u>11,749.83</u>
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2025		<u>\$ 46,116.72</u>
Prime Money Account	44,898.71	
Carefree Business Account	1,218.01	
	<u>46,116.72</u>	
Amount Reserved for Hearse House	5,000.00	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS 2025

	BRIGHAM FUND	CEMETERY/COWAN GILBERT/DOANE	J.K. MAYNARD	SHELDON BOOK	WEEKS	TOTAL
<u>MORTGAGE ACTIVITY</u>						
LOAN 1 Balance		42,340.52		1,972.64	22,043.00	66,356.16
LOAN 2 Balance			15,000.00	10,000.00		25,000.00
LOAN 3 Balance		5,000.00	0.00	0.00		80,000.00
Balance in Mortgages 1/1/2025	0.00	47,340.52	15,000.00	11,972.64	22,043.00	171,356.16
New Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LOAN 1 Principal Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,972.64)	(3,393.22)	(5,365.86)
LOAN 2 Principal Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4,525.00)		(4,525.00)
LOAN 3 Principal Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		(3,482.06)
TOTAL Principal Paid	0.00	(3,482.06)	0.00	(6,497.64)	(3,393.22)	(13,372.92)
LOAN 1 Balance	0.00	42,340.52	0.00	0.00	18,649.78	60,990.30
LOAN 2 Balance	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	5,475.00	0.00	20,475.00
LOAN 3 Balance	0.00	1,517.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	76,517.94
Balance in Mortgages 12/31/2025	0.00	43,858.46	15,000.00	5,475.00	18,649.78	157,983.24
<u>SAVINGS ACTIVITY</u>						
Principal in Savings 1/1/2025	8,615.00	3,707.33	5,566.48	518.00	4,342.36	22,749.17
Principal Payments	0.00	0.00	3,482.06	0.00	6,497.64	13,372.92
New Loans						0.00
Court Judgment to Principal		700.00				700.00
Additional Principal Donations			100.00			100.00
Principal in Savings 12/31/2025	8,615.00	4,407.33	9,148.54	518.00	10,840.00	36,922.09
Interest in Savings 1/1/2025	2,583.39	19.83	4,235.92	3,295.48	217.36	12,422.69
Total in Savings 1/1/2025	11,198.39	3,727.16	9,802.40	3,813.48	4,559.72	35,171.86
Account % 01/01/2025	31.84%	10.60%	27.87%	10.84%	12.96%	100.00%
LOAN 1 Interest Paid		4,912.81		230.29	2,533.17	7,676.27
LOAN 2 Interest Paid			885.00	590.00		1,475.00
LOAN 3 Interest Paid		3,259.86	208.08			3,467.94
Bank Interest Earned	13.47	4.48	11.79	4.59	2.49	42.30
Additional Interest Donations			378.24			
Interest Disbursed	(19.83)		(4,235.92)	(217.36)	(2,070.71)	(6,543.82)
Interest in Savings 12/31/2025	2,596.86	3,264.34	5,132.68	4,563.31	2,535.66	18,918.62
Total in Savings 12/31/2025	11,211.86	7,671.67	14,281.22	5,081.31	11,665.77	55,840.71
<u>PRINCIPAL SUMMARY</u>						
Principal in Mortgages	0.00	75,000.00	43,858.46	15,000.00	5,475.00	157,983.24
Principal in Savings	8,615.00	4,407.33	9,148.54	518.00	10,840.00	36,922.09
Missing Principal		54,067.67				54,067.67
Total Original Principal	8,615.00	133,475.00	53,007.00	15,518.00	16,315.00	248,973.00

THE THOMAS TUPPER FUND 2026

This is a resource for any Bakersfield resident who needs a little help with paying a bill. Often it only takes a minor illness, accident, temporary loss of income, or other unforeseen event to derail and devastate a family to the point of losing their housing and livelihood. Many people are not comfortable asking for help. If you or one of your friends or neighbors could use this assistance, please use this resource. It can also be accessed through dialing 211. We are committed to making this process as smooth as possible.

Applying to the Tupper Fund is simple and strictly confidential. Names of people receiving grants are not to be shared or published in any way. The only requirement for eligibility is that the applicant must be a resident of the Town of Bakersfield.

To apply, contact one of the five Advocates of the Fund, who will gather some information and assist you in writing up your request. You will also need to supply a copy of the bill for which you are requesting assistance. Note that the Fund cannot pay out to an individual; rather it will issue funds directly to service providers. The Fund can not cover Town property taxes.

In the past, residents have received assistance with paying utility bills, medical bills, fuel bills, rent, emergency house repairs, and so on. If you or someone you know needs some emergency assistance, don't hesitate to contact one of these Advocates.

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**CASH ON HAND AND IN BANKS
DECEMBER 31, 2025**

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

General Fund	\$ 460,775.83	
General Fund Petty Cash	300.00	
Bakersfield Rural Development	28,283.35	
Maple Grove Cemetery Checking	1,218.01	
Maple Grove Cemetery Savings	44,898.71	
Library Checking	63,292.65	
Library Petty Cash	95.50	
TOTAL General Accounts		\$ 598,864.05

ROAD COMMISSIONER

Checking Account	\$ 435,317.06	
Equipment Repair Fund	11,592.20	
New Equipment Fund	107,928.58	
Bridge Account	105,611.03	
Paving / Grant Fund	64,399.82	
TOTAL Road Commissioner's Acct.		\$ 724,848.69

TRUST FUND SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Brigham House Principal in Savings	8,615.00	
Brigham House Expendable Interest in Savings	2,596.86	
Brigham Fund Principal in Savings	\$ 4,407.33	
Brigham Fund Expendable Interest in Savings	3,264.34	
Gilbert/Cowan/Cemetery Principal in Savings	9,148.54	
Gilbert/Cowan/Cemetery Expendable Interest in Savings	5,132.68	
J.K. Maynard Principal in Savings	518.00	
J.K. Maynard Expendable Interest in Savings	4,563.31	
Sheldon Library Book Principal in Savings	10,840.00	
Sheldon Library Book Expendable Interest in Savings	825.77	
Weeks Library Principal in Savings	3,393.22	
Weeks Library Expendable Interest in Savings	2,535.66	
Thomas L Tupper Fund Principal--Charles Schwab	259,329.99	
Thomas L Tupper Fund Expendable Interest Savings	10,240.55	
Sheldon Trust Fund Principal--Charles Schwab	82,127.08	
Cutting Fund Principal--Charles Schwab	1,064,075.92	
Cutting Fund Expendable Interest Checking	41,053.23	
TOTAL Trust Principal & Savings		\$ 1,512,667.48
TOTAL TOWN CASH ACCOUNTS		\$ 2,836,380.22

**H.F. BRIGHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balance on Hand as of January 1, 2025

Library Checking	3,208.87	
Library Savings	<u>58,088.41</u>	
Total Account Balances		61,297.28

RECEIPTS

Credit Card Credit	67.48	
Damaged Book Reimbursement	38.66	
Direct Tax 2026	50,757.28	
Donations	50.00	
MERP Grant	8,100.00	
Miscellaneous	97.37	
Northwest Counseling	792.05	
Popcorn & Soda Sales	225.00	
Savings Interest	88.01	
Sheldon Book Trust Fund Interest	217.36	
Sheldon Investment Trust Fund Interest	2,540.90	
Storytime Reimbursement	1,627.27	
Vermont Payments/Grant Income VT-SRP	350.00	
Weeks Trust Fund Interest	<u>2,070.71</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>67,022.09</u>
Total Available		<u>128,319.37</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		
Librarian	20,631.75	
Assistant Librarian	9,269.33	
MERP Payroll Expense	33.75	
Other Expenses		
Social Security & Medicare	2,290.11	
Books Purchased	3,412.28	
Building Improvement (MERP)	15,077.75	
Building Management	198.26	
Child Care Tax	131.72	
Computer / Website Expenses	422.68	
Courier Grant Expense	648.67	
Courier Library Expense	648.67	
Dues	1,252.85	
Electricity	962.48	
Equipment Maintenance and Replacement	349.35	
Hardack Pool Pass	1,120.00	
Heating Fuel	1,859.00	
Internet	2,283.83	
Mileage	161.00	
Miscellaneous	0.60	
Popcorn/Soda Expense	110.86	
Postage	13.51	
Programs	1,278.71	
Storytime Expenses	1,646.83	
Summer Reading Programs	350.00	
Supplies	432.63	
Telephone	300.10	
Water Fees	<u>140.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>65,026.72</u>

Checkbook Balance on Hand as of December 31, 2025

	<u>63,292.65</u>
Improvement Fund	(9,945.60)
Direct tax for 2026	<u>(50,757.28)</u>
Operating funds left at year end for 2025	2,589.77

Improvement Fund January 1st Balance	4,678.57
2024 Operating Fund Budget Surplus	<u>5,267.03</u>
Left in Improvement Fund December 31, 2025	<u>9,945.60</u>

Petty Cash

Cash	64.36	
Receipts for petty cash	<u>31.14</u>	
		95.50



**Bakersfield Volunteer Fire Department
P.O. Box 12
Bakersfield, Vermont 05441**



Our mission is to save lives and protect property, to the best of our ability in the Town of Bakersfield

Bakersfield Residents:

The Officers, Firefighters and First Responders of the Bakersfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. continue to provide a selfless, dedicated, and vital service to our community. Thanks to the support of their families and you, they can serve the needs of our town with Fire Protection and First Response services.

BVFD has made it a priority to ensure the safety and wellbeing of this community. We are always looking for new membership for both fire and first response. We meet on every Tuesday at 7pm – anyone with any interest in volunteering their time, feel free to stop in at the station.

This year we hosted our 10th annual BVFD Golf Tournament, which once again was a huge success. The 2025 State Firefighters Convention was held in Enosburg and members of BVFD were an instrumental part of the planning as Ginger Parent was the event coordinator. Her efforts made that event a great success.

Elections were held at our Annual meeting in January. The 2026 officers for BVFD are as follows: Chief: Matt Hull, First Assistant Chief: Todd Cosgrove, Second Assistant Chief: Ginger Parent, Fire Captains: Brendan Wadsworth, Larry Westcom, and Andrew Nichols. EMS Captain: Robert Willey, Training Officer: Bill Irwin, Secretary: Chloe Bennett, Treasurer: Lance Boardman. BVFD would like to extend congratulations to Paul Stanley and Chloe Bennett who were both named as Emergency Responder of the Year for the department. This award is voted on by the department members, naming those who have gone above and beyond, donating countless hours of their lives to the betterment of the department.

In closing, I find it an honor to be elected as Fire Chief for the town of Bakersfield. The dedication put forth by every member of BVFD, the support from our families, and the support from the community make it possible for us to volunteer our time and provide the town with professional assistance in times of need. We thank you very much for your continued support of the Department officers and members.

Respectfully,
Matthew Hull, Chief

2025 Incidents

67- Medical First Response/FD Assist, 3 – building fire, 2 – chimney fire, 1 – woodland fire, 12 – motor vehicle accidents, 4 – medical assist, 1 – oil spill, 1 – power line down, 15 - other

2025 Volunteer Hours

Incident response: 173 Training & work night: 1024
County meetings/chief/dispatch/administrative/outside training: 1970
Total volunteer hours: 3167



December 23, 2025

Town of Bakersfield
P.O. Box 203
Bakersfield, VT 05441

Dear Community Leaders,

On behalf of the American Red Cross, I am writing to respectfully request your municipality's support for delivery of our humanitarian mission – preventing and alleviating human suffering in the face of life's emergencies.

Each year, the Red Cross responds to more than 60,000 disasters across the country—ranging from home fires to storms and floods—providing shelter, food, emotional support, and recovery assistance to those affected. In Northern New England, more than 1,800 trained volunteers work tirelessly to support local families, train residents in lifesaving skills, and ensure a safe and adequate blood supply for hospitals. In our most recent fiscal year, we:

- Responded to **525 disasters**, the majority of which were home fires, assisting nearly **2,200 people**.
- Trained more than **41,000 people** in first aid, CPR, and water safety skills
- Collected over **137,000 blood products**. Hospitals throughout Northern New England depend on the American Red Cross to meet the need for lifesaving blood.
- Installed more than **2,800 free smoke alarms** to help keep local residents safe.

Your partnership is vital. *This year, we respectfully request consideration for a contribution of \$500.00.* With your support, we can continue to prepare local residents for life's emergencies, and when emergencies do happen, ensure that help is available at no cost to those impacted.

In making a contribution to the American Red Cross, your municipality will confirm via email:

- The contribution provided is not from federal funding, directly or indirectly
- No reporting agreement is required
- No reporting is required

Please send your response to Hira.Shahid@redcross.org and SupportNNE@redcross.org

For more information about the work we've been doing in your area, please refer to the attached service delivery summary. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-800-464-6692 or supportnne@redcross.org.

Together in service,

Stephanie Couturier
Regional Executive

32 N. Prospect St.
Burlington, VT 05401

2 Maitland St.
Concord, NH 03301

524 Forest Ave.
Portland, ME 04101

www.redcross.org/nne
American Red Cross of Northern New England



Service Delivery

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Disaster Response

In the past year, the American Red Cross has responded to **4 disaster events in Franklin County**, providing assistance to **16 individuals**. Most commonly, these incidents were home fires. Red Cross workers were on the scene to provide food, clothing, lodging, emotional support, and more to families during their hours of greatest need. Our teams also provide support services to first responders during large-scale responses. Things like food, water, and warm drinks strengthen the brave people of your local fire and police departments as they answer the call to keep your residents safe.

Town/City	Disaster Events	Individuals
East Berkshire	1	8
Saint Albans	1	4
St. Albans	1	1
Swanton	1	3



Last year, Red Cross staff and volunteers worked throughout Franklin County to educate residents on fire safety and preparedness. We made **3 homes safer** by helping families develop emergency evacuation plans.



Franklin County is home to **10 American Red Cross volunteers**. We have volunteers from all walks of life who are trained and empowered to respond to disaster in the middle of the night, to teach safety courses, to help at our many blood drives, and so much more. The American Red Cross is proud that **90%** of its staff is made up of volunteers; they are truly the heart and soul of our organization.



We collected, **1,470 pints** of lifesaving blood at **61 drives** in Franklin County.



Last year, **368 Franklin County residents** were taught a variety of important lifesaving skills such as first aid, CPR, babysitting skills and water safety.



We proudly assisted **12 of Franklin County's service members, veterans, and their families** by providing emergency communications and other services, including counseling and financial assistance.

Thank you for your generous support, which makes our mission—alleviating human suffering in the face of emergencies—possible.

Thank you!

www.redcross.org/nne

STATE OF VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
VERMONT STATE POLICE



St. Albans Field Station
140 Fisher Pond Rd
St. Albans, VT 05478

January 9th, 2026

On behalf of the Vermont State Police, St. Albans Barracks, we are providing our 2025 Annual Report. This report will provide our mission, identify specialty services provided by the Troopers assigned to the St. Albans Barracks, and provide data for your respective town.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Vermont State Police is to individually and collectively serve and protect by providing the highest quality of professional law enforcement services. The mission of the Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks is to protect the citizens of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. By working together, we can educate, empower and foster trust within our community. We will strive to reduce crime and enforce the laws of our roadways through criminal investigations and aggressive motor vehicle enforcement.

Specialty Services Provided by Troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks

In addition to their primary field responsibilities, many of the troopers assigned to the St Albans Barracks are members of special response teams that provide expert response capabilities in a variety of areas to address critical needs throughout Vermont.

The breakdown of these responses are as follows:

1 Trooper – Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

2 Troopers – Tactical Services Unit (TSU)

4 Troopers – K9 Team

2 Troopers – Search and Rescue Team (SAR)

3 Troopers – Bomb Squad (EOD)

3 Troopers – Drone team

3 Troopers – Crash Reconstruction Team (CRT)

1 Trooper – Crisis Negotiation Unit (CNU)

2 Troopers – Honor Guard

“Your Safety Is Our Business”

Annual Crime Statistics for the St. Albans Barracks:

Total Cases:	5982
Total Arrests:	624
Total Tickets Issued:	229
Total Warnings Issued:	754
Fatal Accidents:	7
Total Burglaries Investigated:	37
Total DUI's:	65

Local Community Report:

Bakersfield

Total Cases:	119
Total Arrests:	4
Total DUI's:	0
Total Accidents – Property Damage:	11
Total Accidents – Injury:	2
Total Vandalisms:	0
Total Alarms:	0
Total Burglaries:	0
Total Tickets:	1
Total Warnings:	1

We will continue to make our communities safer through enforcement, prevention, and community outreach. It is our privilege to serve the citizens of this community. Together, we will get through these challenging times.

Respectfully,



**Acting Lieutenant Michael Kamerling
Station commander**

Please note that the statistical numbers reported are true and accurate at the time the report was generated; they are subject to change with court actions, continuing investigations, case expungements, etc. The total quantity of arrests reported includes the number of all charges brought against the offenders.

Bakersfield Historical Society, Corp.
P.O. Box 70
Bakersfield, Vermont 05441

January 2026

Dear Bakersfield Taxpayers and friends,

We want to extend our sincere appreciation to taxpayers, members and friends who continue to support our efforts to preserve the rich heritage of Bakersfield's history through your support, encouragement, donations as well as sharing of artifacts and knowledge relating to Bakersfield's past.

- In 2024 our local Electricians Dan Shook and Brian Steele stepped up to help resolve our challenge to effectively provide a cooling system that would improve the comfort level in our building on the those hot days and evenings. The installation of a five foot bladed ceiling fan has addressed that problem. In 2025 they once again came to our rescue by installing exterior electrical outlets that allow us to safely share electrical service with fellow community non-profits as needed to support our Annual Independence Day Celebration Event.

- Our building continues to be available for use as a local venue for bereavement events, Historical Society Fundraisers, meetings, educational events and the like. We were fortunate this past year to obtain insurance coverage that would provide coverage for family and community supported events without the need for additional riders. **EXCEPTION:** Events where food service is provided by a caterer.

- In June, we provided a complimentary lunch and access to our building amenities for the volunteers and members of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association who gathered in support of the Cemetery Commission's monument restoration project, in our historic Maple Grove Cemetery. We also once again hosted the Annual Brigham Academy Alumni Meeting and Banquet.

- In July, we had our annual fundraising event at the Town's Independence Day Celebration Event. Rodney Allen introduced Fried Dough to our list of items offered. Due to its popularity, it will be offered again this year.

- We are currently seeking bids to ... 1) have the wood trim on the building and as well as the bell tower primed and painted and 2) address needed repairs in the bell tower to include possible leakage from within and around the bell tower. Anyone interested in submitting a bid(s) on either or both of these projects please contact us by mail at P.O. Box 70, Bakersfield, VT 05441 or phone at (802) 827-3042.

- We are always looking for folks interested in getting involved with our projects and volunteering to make us more effective. Come join us! We meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM at our building.

Officers 2025

President:	Gary Foote	Vice President:	Jerry Brigham
Secretary:	Alice Foote	Treasurer:	Linda McCall
Newsletter/ Website Editor:	Amber Foote		

Directors 2025

Deanna Allen	Ann Mittelstadt	Joyce LaMonda
Tami Brennan	Alice Foote	Lisa Stone

We appreciate the continued support of The Preservation Trust of VT, our members, friends, Bakersfield taxpayers, and donors. You are a major motivating factor behind our volunteers. Copies of Bakersfield History are available at the H.F. Brigham Library and by contacting the Historical Society. Contact phone number for the Bakersfield Historical Society is (802) 827-3042.

For more information, please follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/historicbakersfieldVT> and our website at <https://historicbakersfieldvt.org/>.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary A. Foote
President



NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

BAKERSFIELD TOWN REPORT - 2025

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St. Albans, VT 05478
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NRPC PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

- Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting
- Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans
- Transportation planning and project management
- Water and wastewater project management
- Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience
- Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects
- Water quality planning, grants and project management
- Regional plans for growth and development
- Geographic Information System maps and data
- Downtown and village revitalization and community development

ASSOCIATED PROJECTS MANAGED BY NRPC

- Northern Vermont Economic Development District
- Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

William Irwin & Linda McCall

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

vacant seat

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs to serve local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region have two locally appointed members of the Board of Commissioners.

2025 BAKERSFIELD TOWN PROJECTS

- Provided technical assistance in local planning and zoning efforts.
- Supported the Town with writing a successful Municipal Planning Grant for a Town Plan update and contracted with the Town to complete the project.
- Conducted site visit related to a potential project to address water quality concerns.
- Coordinated with local officials and regional partners on securing an option agreement for the Brigham Academy property to be redeveloped into senior housing.
- Supported the Northwest Communications Union District, in which Bakersfield is a member.
- Assisted Bakersfield Conservation Commission with Community Tree Planting grant and with finding new grant opportunities for restoration of the historic barn on the village green.
- Assisted with implementation of the grant for energy efficiency improvements to public buildings.
- Completed a sidewalk inventory.
- Provided the 2025 VTrans Highway and Community Maps.
- Collaborated with the Planning Commission and Selectboard on regional future land use mapping for the 2026-2034 Northwest Regional Plan update, which will be the new process for maintaining Village Center Designation.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with grant applications, project management, water quality project implementation, and local road permit compliance. NRPC will support local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw updates, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails and update its regional plan to support more housing. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource – we are here to help with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.

Bakersfield Conservation Commission

EOY Report for 2025

We gained 3 new members this year and we now have a full slate of 9 members: Welcome, Rebecca Bennett and Gary Green, as well as former member Eric Jessiman. Other members are Pat Evans, Chair; Julie Hill, Vice-Chair and Treasurer; Carolyn Bronz, Clerk; Alice Foote, Larry Krygier, and Marissa Saltzman.



- Your Conservation Commission is working on stabilizing the Carriage Barn on the Town Park property. We are fortunate to have a dedicated volunteer, Nick Bokron, who has given many hours of time and labor to replace rotted sills, clear out the interior, jack up the sagging roof and more. Donations by generous townspeople and a former resident have been made for materials to continue the work in this upcoming season.
- A major success this year is the Tree Grant, which was funded due to the efforts and support of many people. 10 mature hardwoods and 4 fruit trees have been planted at the Town Common and the School, which will bring benefits for many years to come.
- We are putting the creation of a Conservation Reserve Fund before the voters this year. This is a capital fund which accumulates and can leverage other funds when an opportunity comes up.
- A bench was installed in the Town Park near the Community Pollinator Garden. We maintain the Town Park Trail and the Ball Park Trail, which get a lot of use from townspeople, dogs, and visitors.
- The BCC, with the help of Tucker Malone (Vermont Land Trust) has signed an agreement with the landowners of the Shattuck Mountain Trail to define access and allowed usages of this special place in our town.
- A long-term goal has been to conserve a Town Forest. The BCC is working with several organizations (Vermont Land Trust, Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District, Cold Hollow to Canada and others) on steps to pursue this goal.
- Our Pollinator Garden is posted on the VT Community Garden website. It has been certified as a Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation. This year's project is to establish a Pollinator Pathway in our town.
- Another project for this year is the establishment of a Demonstration Garden in the Town Common, a focus for education about companion planting, soil health, propagation and sharing of plants, and best environmental practices.
- We held several Nature Walks in the Town Park Trail, and these will continue in the upcoming season. The Carriage Barn has been used as the home base for these events.
- With the help of other town organizations, and individual donors, we again sponsored the Portalet in the Town Park for four months in the summer.
- Thanks to Rebecca Bennett, we now have a Logo for our organization!

Our minutes are posted in the Town Clerk's office, the town website, and on our FaceBook page (Bakersfield Conservation Commission) We welcome your interest and input. Call or email Pat Evans (827-3970; evansph2003@yahoo.com)

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Bronz, Clerk

Proposal for a Conservation Reserve Fund Bakersfield Conservation Commissions

The Bakersfield Conservation Commission is proposing the establishment of a Conservation Reserve Fund, a capital fund for conservation projects that are consistent with the mission of the Commission, such as agricultural, forest, wildlife, recreational, environmental stewardship, managing invasives, land acquisition.

This kind of fund is crucial and effective for leveraging other funds. For instance, in Enosburg, an area by the river came up for sale. The Conservation Commission had \$10,000 in their Reserve Fund at the time, which enabled them to receive grants of more than \$100,000 from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board and several other funders, to purchase the property and create the Island View Park. This would not have happened without the Fund being in place. This acquisition has benefited the town, attracting many people who access the river to fish, canoe, and kayak, and attend events focused on the river and environment. And they then patronize the shops and restaurants in town.

Outside funders typically require support from the community to invest in a project. Having the Fund in place allows for a Town to quickly respond to opportunities when they arise.

In 2026, we are requesting the sum of \$10,000 to seed the Fund.

Examples from other Towns – Conservation Reserve Funds Impacts

Source: The Association of VT Conservation Commissions <https://vtconservation.com/>

Enosburg - \$10,000 in their Conservation Reserve Fund leveraged \$100,000 to purchase the Island View Park on Duffy Hill.

Richmond - \$287,424 in the Fund (established in 2005) led to projects worth 1.6 million

Bristol – In the last decade, the Town of Bristol has invested \$15,849 from the Conservation Reserve Fund to support land acquisition, streambank stabilization, buffer planting and invasives management projects that cost more than \$173,600. For every dollar spent from the CRF, the town was able to leverage \$11 in grant monies from state and federal agencies as well as private and corporate donations

Montpelier – with the Town Conservation Fund contributing \$20,000, and with \$35,000 from private fundraising, Montpelier received \$258,000 from the USFS Community Forest Program to expand Hubbard Park.

Huntington - used \$96,000 from their Fund to secure an additional \$576,000 of additional funding for local conservation projects.



December 21, 2025

**To the town of Bakersfield select board
The Lucas James Williams Memorial Youth Fund is seeking financial support to continue offering its various programs to local children, as it has done since May 1999. The organization is a nonprofit 501©3). Services are all provided to children and youth at no charge. We are in hopes the town voters will vote yes to a request of 1000.00 dollars. These funds will be used to continue the activities and programs, Easter Egg hunt, the annual fishing derby, which always is held the second Saturday in June on free fishing day. Vt Fish and Wildlife provide the fish. In the past we have offered summer programs during July and August to the summer leaps whole northeast district over 700 children visited us and had a safe place to have clean and natural fun and were fed meals from us as always. Services are provided by volunteers. Several other activities, Bonfires, movies, haunted forest, dances, community service to high school students to get their points for graduation BFA St. Albans, Enosburg Falls High, and Richard high school. Please consider the request to the town Voters in March 2026.**

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**FRANKLIN COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION**

November 3, 2025

Josh Goss, Chair
Bakersfield Select Board
Bakersfield Town Clerk's Office
PO Box 203
Bakersfield, VT 05441

Dear Josh:

Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC) is your county non-profit development corporation. The Corporation is engaged in the process of building a strong and diversified market economy that serves the interest of area enterprises, municipalities and residents.

We would like to thank the Town of Bakersfield for investing \$200.00 for economic development in Franklin County. Again, everyone at FCIDC sincerely appreciates your generous contribution, and we welcome comments on our effort and appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

Tim Smith
Executive Director

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Bakersfield Cemetery Commission
P.O. Box 203
Bakersfield, VT 05441

January 2026

Taxpayers, residents and friends:

Work in our cemeteries often gets controlled by the weather. So, it was in 2025. The cold, wet weather of Spring lingered into May. A Summer drought was accompanied with some very hot days. Fall was ushered out by snow that arrived in early November and has yet to melt.

- Once again Maria DeRosia contracted with us to maintain the grounds in both Maple Grove and Cook Cemeteries. The weather added to the challenges of the job.

- On June 14th, our cemetery restoration project that had been coordinated with the Vermont Old Cemetery Association (VOCA) came to fruition as a result of perfect weather and help from local and area volunteers. Much was accomplished in Maple Grove Cemetery and a good time was had by all! The work started at the front of cemetery with the straightening of stones on the north side and cleaning of stones on the right side. The four volunteers from VOCA (Dianne, Jay, Kathy and Jeff) provided instruction as well as hands-on assistance.

A big **Thank You** goes out to our following volunteers: Rebecca Bennett; Arlene, Mike and Dan O'Rourke; Kyle Kramer; Jerry Brigham, Lee Tillotson; Kathy Baker; Julie Hill; Jack Goss, Jr.; Helen Spencer; Rachel Lamoureux; and Kerry's Mom: Joanne. The Bakersfield Historical Society folks assisted by keep their building open for us and providing a complimentary lunch. A special **Thank you** to our Selectboard who gave support by providing the trucking of crushed stone that was needed for the straightening of headstones.

- For the repairs to larger headstones, we contracted with Champlain Monuments. The early arrival of snow resulted in ending their planned projects early. To be continued in 2026!

- The flower urns have been collected from the cemetery, cleaned out, and are stored in the Hearse House pending restoration by Vaillancourt Repairs.

- **Pending:** We have asked the folks from VOCA to return this year to provide additional training for volunteers and Cemetery Commission members. We hope that last year's volunteers will return and want to let others know that there will be an opportunity for additional volunteers to get involved and learn the skills needed to maintain headstones. We will let you know the date when it is assigned to us by VOCA.

- **THANK YOU** ~ Larry Westcom for repairing the broken waterline in the lower part of Maple Grove Cemetery this past Summer. Your quick response and unwavering support are very much appreciated!

Respectfully,

Bakersfield Cemetery Commission



Vermont Association of Conservation Districts

Our Land. Our Water. Our Future.

November 15, 2025

Dear Board of Selectpersons, Town Clerks and Treasurers:

On behalf of the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force, we are writing to request your support for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection (RFP) Program, formerly called the Dry Hydrant Grant Program.

During the **28+ years** of the program, **1,236 grants** totaling **over \$2.98 million** have been provided to 235 Vermont towns for the installation of new rural fire protection systems, as well as for replacements and repairs.

This work makes it faster and easier for firefighters to respond to fires in areas that aren't served by municipal water systems, reducing the risk of injury, loss of life, and damage to property and natural resources.

The RFP program manager, Troy Dare, helps towns and local fire departments identify those areas where there is the greatest need for a rural hydrant, designs the hydrant, and draws on grant funds to help towns pay for the new hydrants. He is also often onsite during the installation of the hydrant, particularly for complex projects.

We ask that your town help support this vital safety program by allocating \$200 to support the program in your town's budget.

The Rural Fire Protection program is not a social service agency as defined by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns "Model Social Services Appropriations Policy." The inclusion of an allocation for the Rural Fire Protection program does not require a petition. For more information on the petition requirement, please see the links below.

The Rural Fire Protection Program is housed at the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD), a non-profit founded and overseen by Vermont's 14 conservation districts.

Enclosed please find an invoice and W-9 from VACD in case they are required. VACD's tax form 990 is also available upon request. Please feel free to contact Troy Dare or Michelle Monroe, Executive Director of VACD, with any questions you may have. Our contact information is provided below. If you would like to receive this appropriation request by

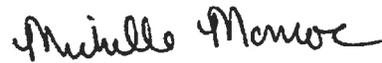
mail instead of by email, please contact Troy Dare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Troy Dare, Program Manager
Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program
(802) 828-4582 | dryhydrantguy@yahoo.com



Michelle Monroe, Executive Director
Vt. Association of Conservation Districts
(802) 528-9877 | michelle.monroe@vacd.org

Rural Fire Protection Task Force Members:

- Bill Sanborn, Chair, Town of Maidstone
- Walter Bothfeld, Jr., Cabot Volunteer Fire Department
- Tyler Hermanson, VT Enhanced 9-1-1
- Mike Greenia, Vermont Division of Fire Safety, Department of Public Safety
- Dan Dilner, VT Forest Parks & Recreation
- Ryan Aremburg, Waterford Volunteer Fire Department & Vermont Division of Fire Safety

View the VLCT Social Services Appropriation Policy here:

<https://www.vlct.org/sites/default/files/uploads/resources/documents/model-social-services-appropriation-policy.pdf>

View the VT State Statute (24 V.S.A. § 2691) that further defines Social Services Entities here:

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/24/073/02691>

**THE VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING #03-0271000
TOWN OF BAKERSFIELD
SUMMARY REPORT**

Request Amount: \$95.00

For over 46 years, The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL) has been teaching people with disabilities and the Deaf how to gain more control over their lives and how to access tools and services to live more independently. VCIL employees (85% of whom have a disability) conduct public education, outreach, individual advocacy and systems change advocacy to help promote the full inclusion of people with disabilities into community life.

In FY'25 (10/2024-9/2025) VCIL responded to thousands of requests from individuals, agencies and community groups for information, referral and assistance and program services for individuals living with a disability. VCIL Peer Advocate Counselors (PACs) provided one-on-one peer counseling to **126** individuals to help increase their independent living skills and our VCIL's Home Access Program (HAP) assisted **229** households with information on technical assistance and/or alternative funding for modifications; **96** of these received financial assistance to make their bathrooms and/or entrances accessible. Our Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF) provided **71** individuals with information on assistive technology; **30** of these individuals received funding to obtain adaptive equipment. **530** individuals had meals delivered through our Meals on Wheels (MOW) program for individuals with disabilities under the age of 60. Our Vermont Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (VTEDP) served **15** people and provided **11** peers with adaptive telecommunications enabling low-income Deaf, Deaf-blind, Hard of Hearing and individuals with disabilities to communicate by telephone. A one-year grant through the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) enabled us to establish the Assistive Technology/Home Modifications (AT/HM) Fund for items to increase peer's independence (AT) and remove peers from our HAP waiting list for modifications (HM).

VCIL's central office is now located at **435 Stone Cutters Way, Ste. B** in Montpelier and we have four branch offices in Bennington, Chittenden, Rutland and Windham Counties. Our PACs and services are available to people with disabilities throughout Vermont.

During our FY'25, **3** residents of **Bakersfield** received services from the following programs:

- Peer Advocacy Counseling Program
- Information Referral and Assistance (I,R&A)

To learn more about VCIL, please call VCIL's toll-free I-Line at:
1-800-639-1522, or, visit our web site at **www.vcil.org**.



agewellvt.org
 Helpline: 1-800-642-5119
 P 802-865-0360
 F 802-865-0363
 875 Roosevelt Hwy, Ste. 210
 Colchester, VT 05446

TOWN OF BAKERSFIELD 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Last year, Age Well served 12 individuals from Bakersfield, services included:



6 calls to the Helpline



28 hours of Case Management



730 Meals on Wheels delivered
 54 Congregate Meals served



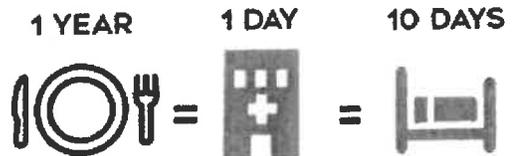
3 hours of Options Counseling

1 Bakersfield resident volunteered over 15 hours

COST BREAKDOWN OF OUR SERVICES

Age Well services are provided at no cost, but we want to emphasize the value we provide to your community. In Fiscal Year 2025, we delivered services valued at \$12,914 to Hinesburg residents.

- State Health Insurance Program: \$68.44 per hour
- Case Management: \$143.87 per hour
- Options Counseling: \$70.44 per hour
- Information & Assistance: \$35.69 per hour
- Meals on Wheels: \$10.36 per meal
- Congregate Meals: \$12.03 per meal
- Grab and Go Meals: \$10.37 per meal
- Volunteers: \$15.33 per hour



MEALS ON WHEELS CAN SERVE A PERSON FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR FOR ABOUT THE SAME COST AS JUST 1 DAY IN A HOSPITAL OR 10 DAYS IN A NURSING HOME

ABOUT AGE WELL

Since 1974, Age Well has provided Vermonters with the necessary support to manage their daily living needs, with the goal of keeping them active, healthy, and independent. As the leading experts and advocates for the aging population, we believe that health happens at home and focuses on lifestyle, happiness, and wellness—not on age.

Committed to helping individuals age well, we reduce barriers by providing access to healthy meals, in-home care, expertise on Medicare and insurance, long-term and short-term care options, transportation to medical appointments, translations services, a Helpline, and many more community resources in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, and Grand Isle Counties.

As a 501(c)3 nonprofit, we do not charge for our services. We rely on donations and encourage clients to contribute if they are able to do so.

MISSION: TO EMPOWER AND SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS AS THEY AGE BY PROVIDING THEM WITH COMMUNITY CONNECTION AND ACCESS TO SERVICES.

VNA & HOSPICE of the Southwest Region

Serving Bennington, Franklin, & Rutland Counties

Town of Bakersfield

To the Officers and Citizens of Bakersfield:

In 2024, the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region (VNAHSR) provided Bakersfield residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From children with intensive medical needs, to seniors who wish to remain independent at home, to those who are facing a terminal illness, we continue to bring quality health care wherever it is needed, **regardless** of the location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

In the face of shrinking federal and state reimbursements, along with rising health care costs, VNAHSR has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective healthcare services to Bakersfield's most vulnerable individuals.

Last year VNAHSR's skilled and dedicated staff made more than 116,288 home visits to 3,989 patients. **In Bakersfield, we provided 335 visits to 9 individuals.**

Thank you for your continued support! With your vote of confidence, we will continue to fulfill our promise to your community to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services.

Sincerely,



Jessica Boutin, CEO
VNA & Hospice of the
Southwest Region



Dan DiBattista, President
Board of Directors

January 2026

Town of Bakersfield, Vermont:

Cat Crusaders of Franklin County, Inc is an organization created to reduce the number of stray and abandoned cats in Franklin County, as well as assisting local farmers with their barn cat population control. Our mission and goal is to stabilize barn-cat colonies and reduce the number of free-roaming cats and kittens in the Franklin County area, through Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR). TNR is an efficient and cost-effective method for stabilizing and reducing outdoor cat populations and improving the overall health of the cats.

The cats are humanely trapped, spayed/neutered, vaccinated and then returned to the original environment, or if unable to be returned and are friendly, are surrendered to local rescues and/or shelters, where they are adopted out.

CCFC is not a shelter; our team of volunteers works with area caretakers and farmers to provide TNR services. CCFC is a registered 501c3 organization.

In 2025 we brought 800+ cats and kittens through our TNR program (@\$85.00 per cat), some of whom were from various locations in the town of Bakersfield.

Please consider making a charitable donation to help cover the expenses of the only TNR program in Franklin county.

Requested donation in the amount of \$ 500.00.
(For tax deduction purposes, the CCFC Federal EIN is 83-4055447).

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Jamie Rushford,
President

Please Mail Donation(s) to:

Cat Crusaders of Franklin County, Inc
c/o Jamie Rushford
PO Box 103
Enosburg Falls, VT 05450

email: catcrusadersoffranklincounty@gmail.com
Facebook Page: Cat Crusaders of Franklin County-Vermont

December 30, 2025
Town of Bakersfield
P.O. Box 203
Bakersfield, VT 05441



Dear Bakersfield Selectboard members and Residents of Bakersfield,

The Missisquoi River Basin Association (MRBA) had another great year working to protect and improve water quality throughout our region. As always, our successes come directly from the dedicated volunteers, donors, landowners, and towns that support the work we do with and at our schools, public parks, roadways, farms, private homes, and anywhere water flows.

MRBA Projects and Programs:

Ecological restoration, river clean-up efforts, site assessments, and water sampling: During 2025, as in most years, MRBA volunteers helped plant trees and pull trash from along our riverbanks. An additional 700+ trees were planted along our waterways in 2025, and over 100 lbs of trash was removed from ~4 miles of river. We also assessed 6 streamside properties for any ways landowners might improve their relationship with their waterways - let us know if you'd like a "Stream Wise" assessment of your land in 2026! Additionally, MRBA staff collected water quality samples from 16 locations within our watershed during 2025; assessing the health streams, and the on-going impacts of landowner-led water quality improvement projects.

Educational programs and events: We are always excited to connect with our watershed residents along our rivers, and really enjoy providing hands-on educational opportunities to students through our watershed model, rainfall simulator, Bugworks program, and more. In 2025, we connected with 216 people at presentations and educational programs. We also hosted 11 events where members of the public were invited to explore our watershed through guided walks or paddle experiences.

Big news: MRBA turns 30 in 2026 and we are celebrating big successes, including our first dam removal - check out the restored stream channel in Newport Center - and the start of Ironwood Nursery in Jay. Ironwood, which will provide the trees we plant on our rivers banks for years to come, is located on newly-conserved property in downtown Jay: MRBA and the Town collaborated to protect this property, and the public access trails on it.

We respectfully request Bakersfield's support of MRBA through a \$600 donation so that we may continue to serve our community with these programs. Your appropriation will help us continue to provide programs, assist landowners, and will help us continue expanding and increasing the skills of our team, so that we may better serve our watershed towns. Your support of our organization in past years is so greatly appreciated and the funds have been put to good use. We thank you very much for your consideration of our 2026 request.

Sincerely,

John Little, MRBA President

Missisquoi River Basin Association (MRBA)
2839 VT Route 105 East Berkshire, VT 05447
Tel: (802) 933-3645 E-mail: lindsey@mrbavt.com Website: www.mrbavt.com



Franklin County Senior Center
75 Messenger Street
St. Albans, Vt. 05478

Phone: 802-524-6616
Email: FCSCexecutive
Website:

October 1, 2025

Dear Town Manager of Bakersfield,

Last year, I reached out with a simple request: that each town manager consider including a modest contribution in their budget to support the Franklin County Senior Center. As someone born and raised in this remarkable county, I've seen firsthand the generosity and spirit that define our communities. This year, I'm asking again—with even more hope—that every town will join us in our mission to uplift and care for our senior population.

We want to proudly say that *every* town in Franklin County stands behind its older residents. We already know our county is exceptional—but your support would be a powerful symbol of unity and compassion that truly cements that truth.

FCSC first opened its doors in 1967 and holds the distinction of being Vermont's oldest senior center. We've operated for decades out of the historic Messenger Street School, a building we're proud to own. But as with any beloved landmark, it comes with significant upkeep—and no guaranteed income. We work tirelessly to raise funds through events and programs, but knowing we can count on our towns makes all the difference.

Today, we serve over 400 members, along with many others who benefit from our services. Our mission is to promote healthy aging and provide opportunities for seniors to thrive. We offer exercise classes, chair yoga, dance, games, and nutritious meals—programs that nourish the body, mind, and spirit. More than anything, we offer connection. In a time when isolation poses serious risks to well-being, the Center is a lifeline of community and belonging.

If your town manager could consider a contribution for the 2026-2027 year, it would mean so much—not just to us, but to the many seniors whose lives are enriched by what we do. Thank you for your time, your care, and your continued belief in the strength of Franklin County.

With sincere gratitude,

Patricia Ross, Executive Director



GREEN UP VERMONT
www.greenupvermont.org

**Success on
Green Up Day
May 3, 2025**



Green Up Day was a resounding success because your community joined the statewide clean-up effort. As you can see by the stats graphic the entire State got a wonderful spring cleaning with nearly all our city and town roads covered. Businesses are more successful with clean streetscapes, our real estate more valued, and our healthy way of life cherished. As one of Vermont's favorite traditions, it is imperative for today and for future generations to keep building pride, awareness, and stewardship for a clean Vermont, and keep residents civically engaged.

Green Up initiatives are year-round and further our environmental impact with waste reduction programs, additional clean-up efforts, and educational initiatives. We've been able to rally thousands of volunteers for special projects and flood clean-up across the State.

Support from your municipality is essential to our program. Funds help pay for Green Up Day supplies, promotional outreach, educational resources, contests for kids, and a \$1,000 scholarship. We are also incorporating an innovation challenge fair called *greenSTEM* in 2026 for students in grades 7-12. Our goal is to engage more students in finding environmental solutions and connect them to community service.

We are requesting level funding for 2026.

Thank you for supporting this crucial program that takes care of where we all get to live, work and play. Be an Environmental Hero – Donate on Line 23 of the Vermont State Income Tax Form or at www.greenupvermont.org.

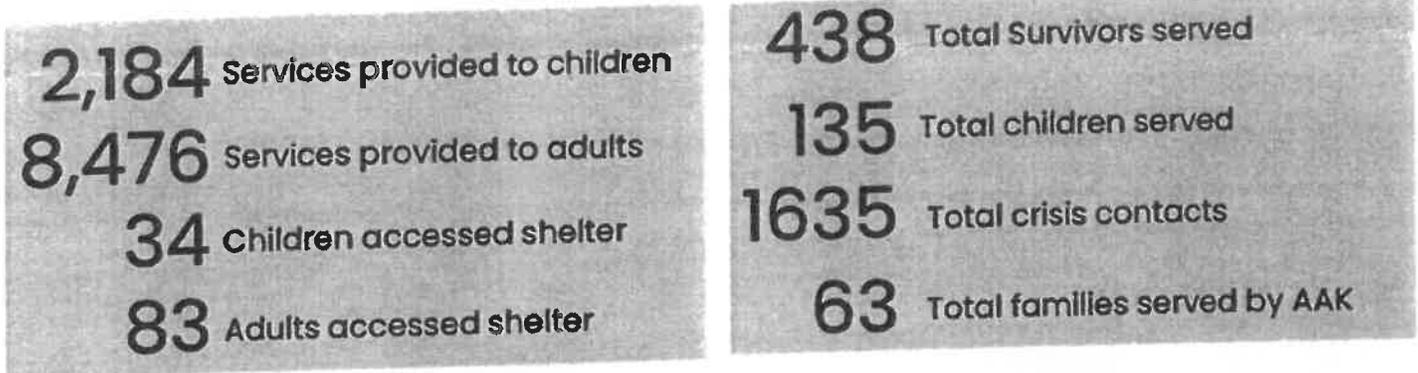
2026 Green Up Day is May 2nd.

Green Up Vermont is a 501c3 nonprofit.



Voices Against Violence works towards the elimination of domestic and sexual violence and stalking through direct service, prevention, and social change. We use a strengths-based, survivor centered approach. We serve the communities of Franklin & Grand Isle Counties.

2024-2025 Highlights



Safe Roots Healing Collective was established this past year in response to critical survivor needs: our housing options were consistently at capacity. At Safe Roots, we have 7 bedrooms where families can begin reclaiming safety. This shelter offers child-friendly spaces and activities to support recovery.

Our goal is to provide a sanctuary where families can begin healing, build stability, and reclaim safety. Safe Roots can house up to seven families and offers child-friendly spaces for play, art corners, and communal areas to support recovery.

We help families by offering more than shelter — we create an environment where survivors can rest, access trauma-informed support, understand healthy relationships, and rebuild their lives. Our services aim to break the generational cycle of violence and empower survivors to thrive long term.

Laurie's House continues to serve up to 12 survivors in shelter at a time.

All About Kids (AAK) is our supervised visitation program which provides a safe and supportive space for non custodial parents to visit with their children.

All town donations support our two shelters in providing safety, support, food and supplies for individuals and families seeking safety.



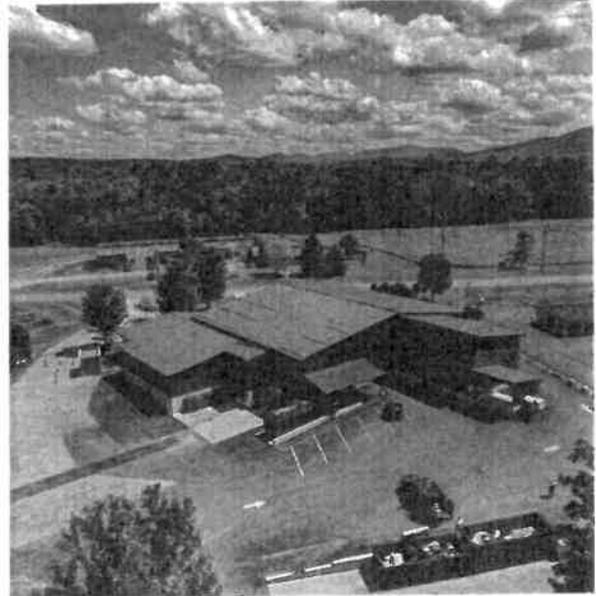
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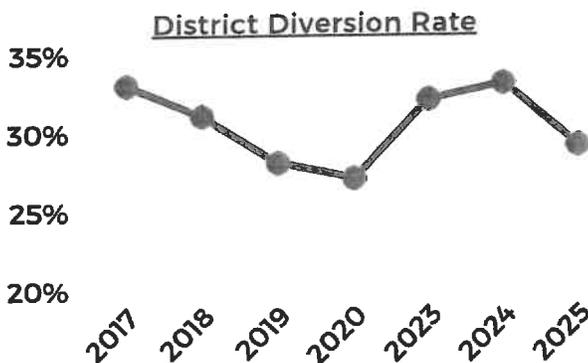
2025 SUPERVISORS REPORT

2025 was a hallmark year for NWSWD. In March, we were featured on NBC5. In May, we held an open house in Alburgh, connecting with customers at our newest site over food and drink. Over the summer, we sent our compost truck to be specially outfitted with a new body designed for food scrap collection. In September, we held a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the conclusion of our Georgia Recycling Center expansion project. We are constantly working to improve our operations to make waste management safer and more efficient for Vermonters!

- Services used over 72,000 times
- Composted 720 tons of food scraps
- Collected 61 tons of HHW material, an increase of 15 tons from last year
- Expanded social media presence to earn 250,000+ views



This year, NWSWD organized 20+ events, including papermaking and mending workshops, an upcycled art show, composting seminars, and a waste audit at Enosburg Elementary. We partnered with groups such as Franklin County NRC, Composting Association of Vermont, Swanton Arts Council, and Franklin Grand Isle Tobacco Prevention Coalition.



**1561 TONS
LANDFILLED**



**1943 TONS
RECYCLED**



NWSWD is a legislatively chartered Municipal Corporation charged with planning, implementing, and regulating waste management strategies for our 19 member communities. Our mission is to provide for the efficient, economical, and environmentally-sound reduction, reuse, recycling, and disposal of solid waste.

Fairfield Community Center is open to all no matter what town an individual lives in. Historically, Bakersfield residents represent 30 percent of the Center's visitors.

A Snapshot of 2025 in Numbers:

Our Food Shelf served **2787** people from **563** households, of which **291** were children under 18 and **463** were seniors over the age of 60. In addition, **810** people came solely for our produce and perishable items, and **859** people came for produce and perishable goods. We do weekly food deliveries to migrant farmworkers and housebound senior's households. Our offering of produce is a beautiful sight! Through our Thanksgiving Basket program, we were able to provide **65** families with a turkeys, home made pie pie and vegetables.

Our Community Meal program has grown, regularly serving approximately 30 in-person 3-course, hot, homemade meals on Tuesday. The meals are open to all and free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Chef Sunni Tipper's monthly menu has not duplicated a single meal in 52 weeks! It is posted monthly on our website. Please come join us; it's great having lots of people at the lunch table!

Our Volunteers are the backbone of FCCA. Volunteers are integral for Community Meal set up and serving, Food Shelf product procurement, West Room set up, and boxing and delivering food. Volunteers give their time for pizza fundraisers, The Jig in the Valley and community events. Total 2025 volunteer hours were **3,184!**

Our Black Creek Adventure Camp and After School programs, directed by Faith Cassidy had another successful year of fun! This year, children from across the county attended Black Creek Adventure Camps during February and April school breaks. Over the summer, our six weeks of camp were filled to capacity, serving more than 50 children each week with fun, structure, and opportunity. Black Creek Adventures is thrilled to have licensed a second site at Fairfield Center School in May to launch the Black Creek Adventures After School Program.



October 22, 2025

Dear Selectboard,

On behalf of CarePartners Adult Day Center, I am writing to respectfully request consideration for an appropriation from the Town of Bakersfield for the upcoming 2026 fiscal year. Your support is crucial in enabling us to continue providing vital services to our community's most vulnerable adults and their caregivers.

CarePartners Adult Day Center has proudly served Bakersfield and surrounding communities for over 30 years. Our mission is to foster the strengths and abilities of adults while preserving their dignity, independence, and quality of life by providing essential caregiving support. We are dedicated to helping our participants remain safely and comfortably in their homes, reducing isolation, and offering much-needed respite for their dedicated caregivers.

In 2024 and 2025 we saw a significant increase in demand for our services, with an average of approximately 35 participants attending our center daily. This growth underscores the critical need for adult day services, particularly following the closure of other programs in the region. Many of our participants are residents of Bakersfield and directly benefit from our programs, which include cognitive stimulation, physical activities, social engagement, and nutritious meals.

The requested appropriation of \$500- \$1,000, would be directly utilized to:

- Support our general operating expenses, ensuring we can continue to provide high-quality daily programming.
- Assist with transportation initiatives, helping residents of Bakersfield and neighboring communities access our services.

By supporting CarePartners, the Town of Bakersfield directly invests in the well-being of its senior citizens and adults living with disabilities, promoting their independence and enhancing the quality of life for entire families. Our services reduce the burden on emergency services, prevent premature institutionalization, and foster a healthier, more connected community.

We would be grateful for the opportunity to discuss our work and our funding request further at your convenience. We also welcome you to visit our center to see firsthand the positive impact CarePartners has on the lives of our participants.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the health and vitality of our community.

Sincerely,

Nicole Fournier Grisgraber
Executive Director
CarePartners Adult Day Center

640 Franklin Park West St. Albans, Vermont, 05478

802-527-0548

www.carepartnersvt.org

DELINQUENT TAXES

2021 thru 2025

Barnes, Gary	4,250.91
Dezotelle, Carlyle & Patrick, Bruce Estate, Pike & Lori	9,061.33
Erickson, Carl	5,175.14
Gagnon, Eric & Joseph	1,343.32
Gagnon, Eric	3,898.78
Gauthier, Jane	2,742.44
Haible, Paul	229.41
Howard, Aaron C. Sr.	716.85
Jade, Wendy	9,173.20
Joyal, Landon	989.62
Kruszeski, Stanley	4,250.12
Larock Jr., Eric	1,211.44
Mcdonald Preservation Trust	10,299.53
Ovitt, Andrew	4,575.16
Pike, Lori	1,732.86
R. Soule and Son, Inc.	4,820.25
Switser, Kiah A.	1,840.78
Switser, Reginald S.	1,199.68
Vaillancourt, Joey R.	465.60
Walls, Leon	2,581.44

TOTAL DELINQUENT TAXES DECEMBER 31, 2025

\$ 70,557.86

NOTE: Taxes not received in the Town Clerk's Office by noon the day before the last business day of the year cannot be credited in that year. Checks must also be cleared to be credited in that year. Amounts listed above **DO NOT** include penalties and interest.

