



FY 2020 STATE BUDGET OVERVIEW

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GOVERNOR SCOTT'S PRIORITIES

▶ **Strengthen the Economy**

- Vermont's economy grows faster than the cost-of-living

▶ **Make Vermont More Affordable**

- Vermont is *measurably* more affordable for families and businesses

▶ **Protect the Vulnerable**

- We are meeting our commitment to the most vulnerable

KEY INDICATORS

HOW THE SCOTT ADMINISTRATION WILL MEASURE PROGRESS

▶ **Growing the Economy**

- Size of the workforce--as a percent of the population (statewide and by county)
- Employer growth rate--total size and by employee count
- Wage growth--by region

▶ **Making Vermont More Affordable**

- Average percent of household income spent on healthcare, housing (includes utility and heating costs, etc.), and taxes & fees

▶ **Protecting the Vulnerable**

- Percent of the population living below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- Rate of homelessness/housing stability
- Kindergarten readiness
- Percent of the population with access to comprehensive healthcare

GENERAL FUND PRESSURES

▶ **Known Liabilities**

- Pension and Debt Service Costs
- State Employee Contractual Obligations
- Education Financing
- Maintaining Statutory Reserves

▶ **Other Pressures**

- Medicaid and Other Human Service Caseload
- Clean Water and Other Environmental Costs
- Infrastructure Maintenance
- Technology and Cybersecurity

OUR DEMOGRAPHIC CHALLENGES

- ▶ Vermont today compared to 2000:
 - 28,883 fewer people under 20
 - 33,825 fewer people between the age of 25-45
 - 39,359 more people over 65
 - Third oldest state behind Maine and New Hampshire
- ▶ Over 65 share will grow faster than U.S. average through 2030
- ▶ We lose 1,788 people each year in the working-age category of 20-64
- ▶ We must grow our shrinking working-age population to grow our workforce and tax base

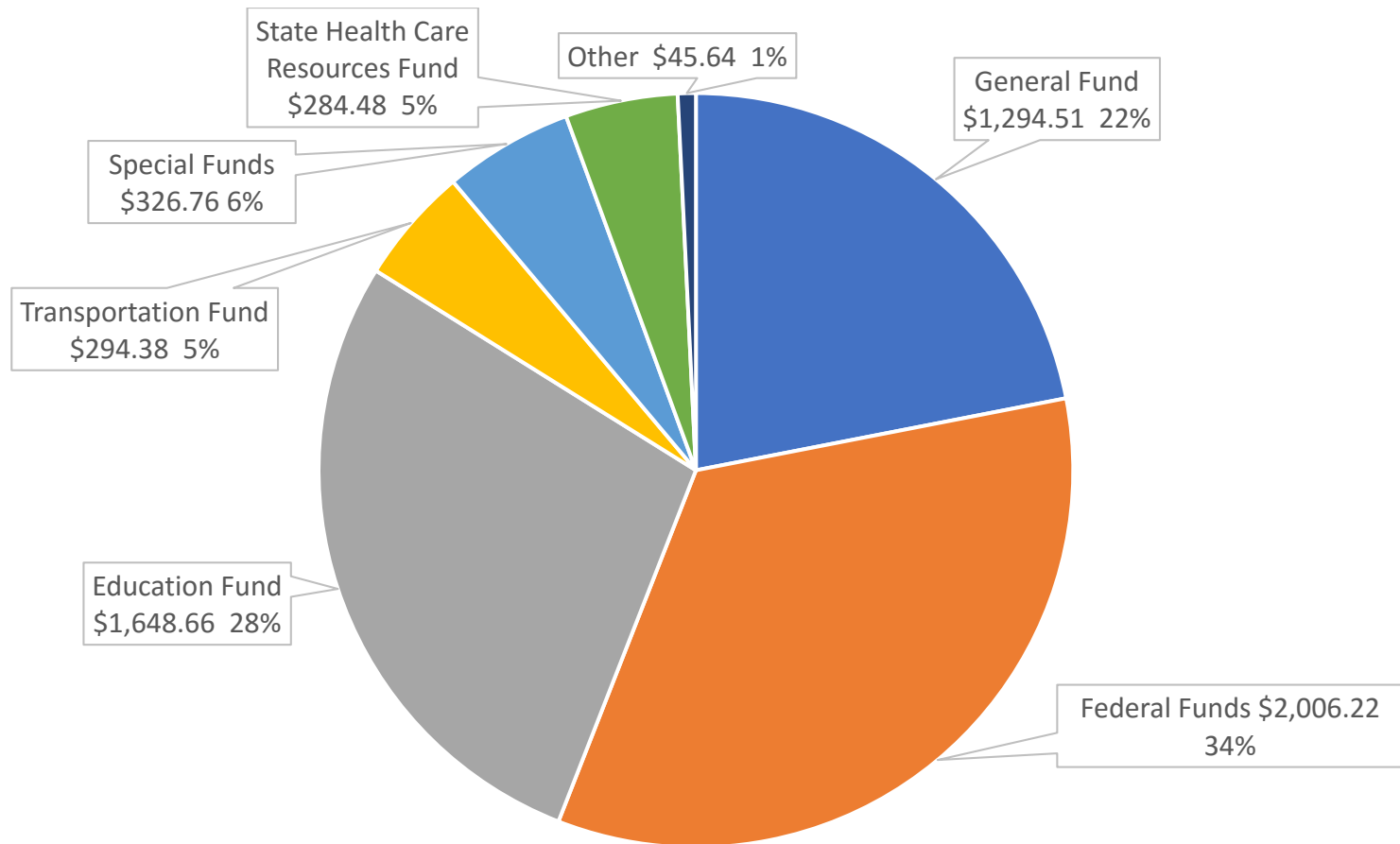
GOVERNOR'S BUDGET INSTRUCTIONS

- ▶ **Agencies and Departments were asked to submit budget proposals that:**
 - Work within existing financial resources;
 - Make choices to promote the Governor's strategic priorities of economic growth, affordability, and helping our most vulnerable Vermonters; and
 - Target outcomes to ensure we are investing public money wisely

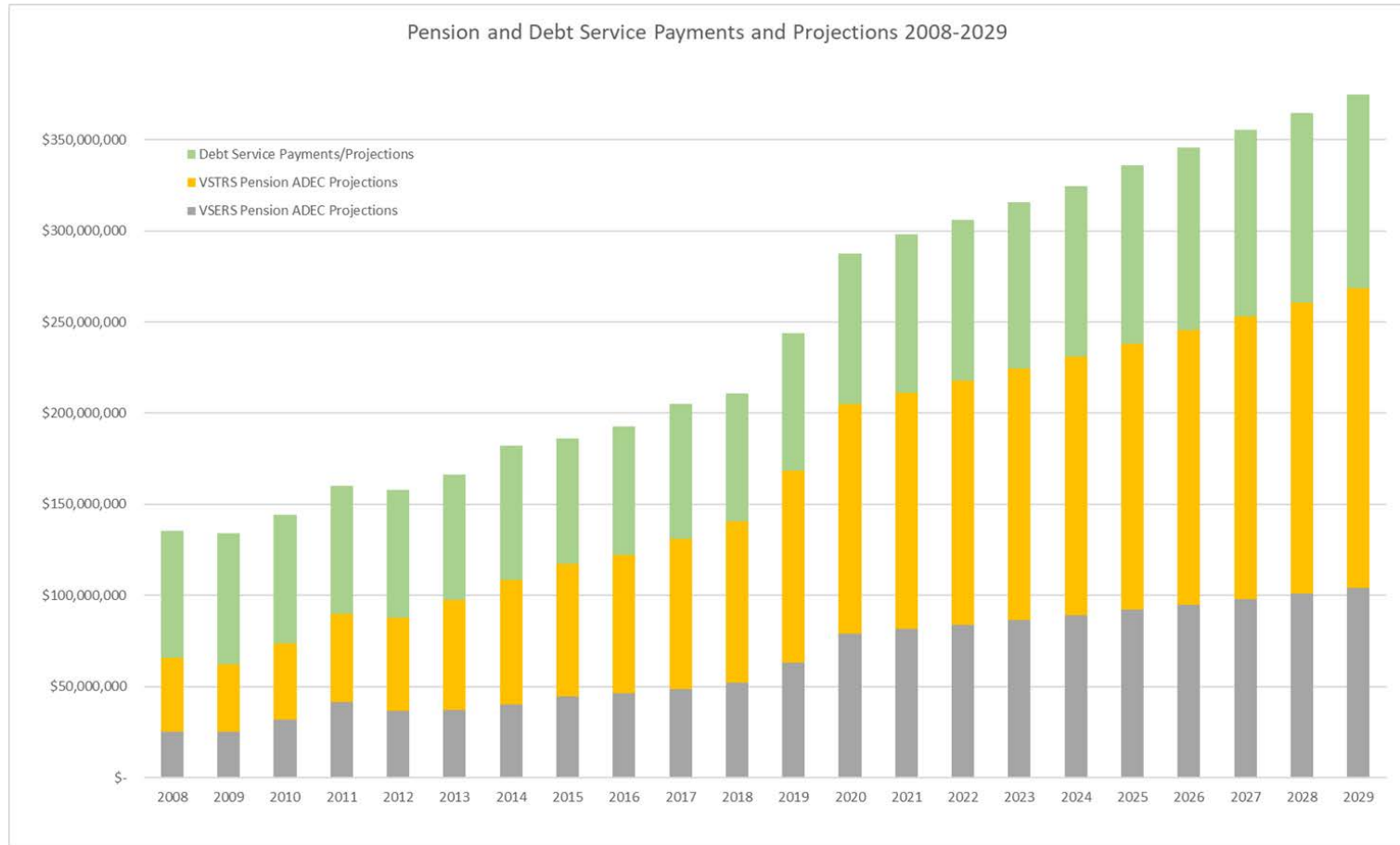
- ▶ **The Administration is working to assemble the FY 2020 Governor's budget, FY 2019 Budget Adjustment, FY 2020-FY2021 Capital Bill.**

- ▶ **In January:**
 - The FY 2019 Budget Adjustment and FY 2020 Budget will be presented
 - The FY 2019 and FY 2020 revenue forecast will be updated

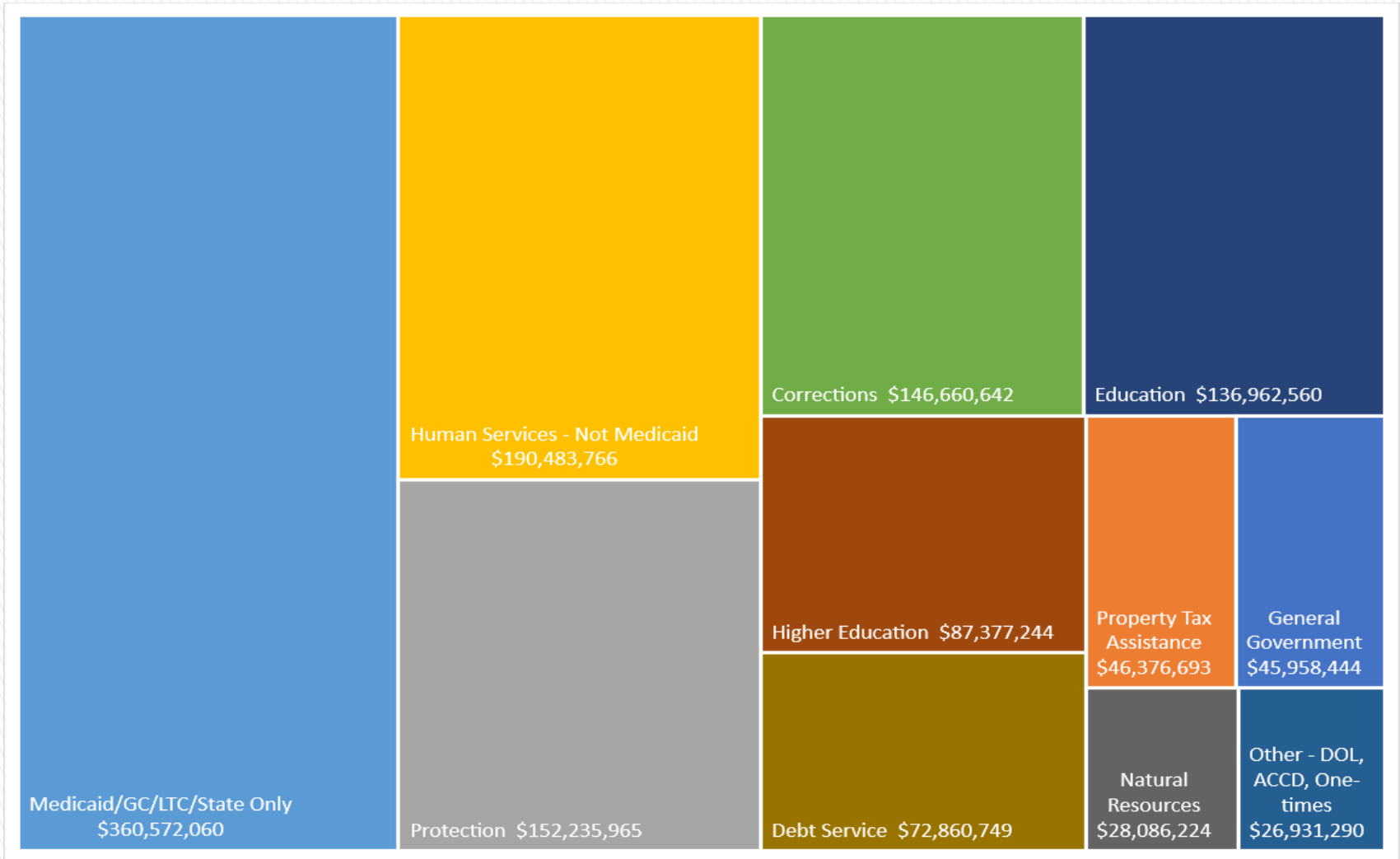
FY 2019 BUDGET BY FUND (IN MILLIONS)



PENSION AND DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS



FY 2019 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS BY GOVERNMENT FUNCTION – \$1.29 BILLION



PUBLIC PROCESS

- ▶ Public Comments may be submitted through the Finance & Management Website
 - [Public Comment Page](#)

- ▶ Citizens can provide feedback on priorities by completing the following survey
 - [FY 2020 Budget Survey](#)