FY 2023
State Budget Overview

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Governor Scott’s Vision

- 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

- Modernize state government
  State government leverages technology and optimizes existing employee resources.
General Fund Pressures

- **Known Liabilities**
  - Pension and Debt Service Costs
  - State Employee Contractual Obligations
  - Maintaining Statutory Reserves

- **Other Pressures**
  - Medicaid and other safety net programs
  - Workforce Retention and Development
  - Clean Water and Other Environmental Costs
  - Infrastructure Maintenance
  - Technology and Cybersecurity
COVID-19 Challenges

- From March 2020 until June 2021, Vermont was in a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

- The Delta variant continues to have a major impact on statewide activities, although Vermont’s high vaccination rate and mitigation measures have moderated its influence.

- The State has implemented many grant and assistance programs for residents and businesses.

- The near-term impact on the State’s economy and population is uncertain.
Demographic Challenges

- Vermont has a shrinking workforce, exacerbated by COVID-19
- A strong economy is key to creating greater opportunity for all Vermonters. By restoring Vermont’s economic and fiscal fundamentals, we can work toward ensuring vibrant communities and a thriving economy in all 251 Vermont towns.

Data from: http://www.vtlmi.info/laus.cfm
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 and equitably.

- The Administration is working to prepare the following for presentation in January 2022:
  - FY 2022 Budget Adjustment
  - FY 2023 Budget
  - FY 2022 and FY 2023 revenue forecast updates
FY 2022 Budget

All Funds – Total: $7.357 Billion

- General Funds: $1,949,724,085 (27%)
- Transportation Fund: $311,123,868 (4%)
- Special Fund: $356,380,378 (5%)
- Education Funds: $1,848,444,652 (25%)
- Federal Funds (excluding CRF): $2,316,256,619
- Coronavirus Relief Fund: $481,700,000 (7%)
- All Other: $93,019,650 (1%)
FY 2022 General Fund Appropriations
By Government Function – Total: $1.95 Billion
Public Process

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

- People can provide feedback on priorities by completing the following survey 
  [Link to Survey](#)