



**University
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**Leahy Institute
for Rural Partnerships**

County and Regional Governance Study Committee
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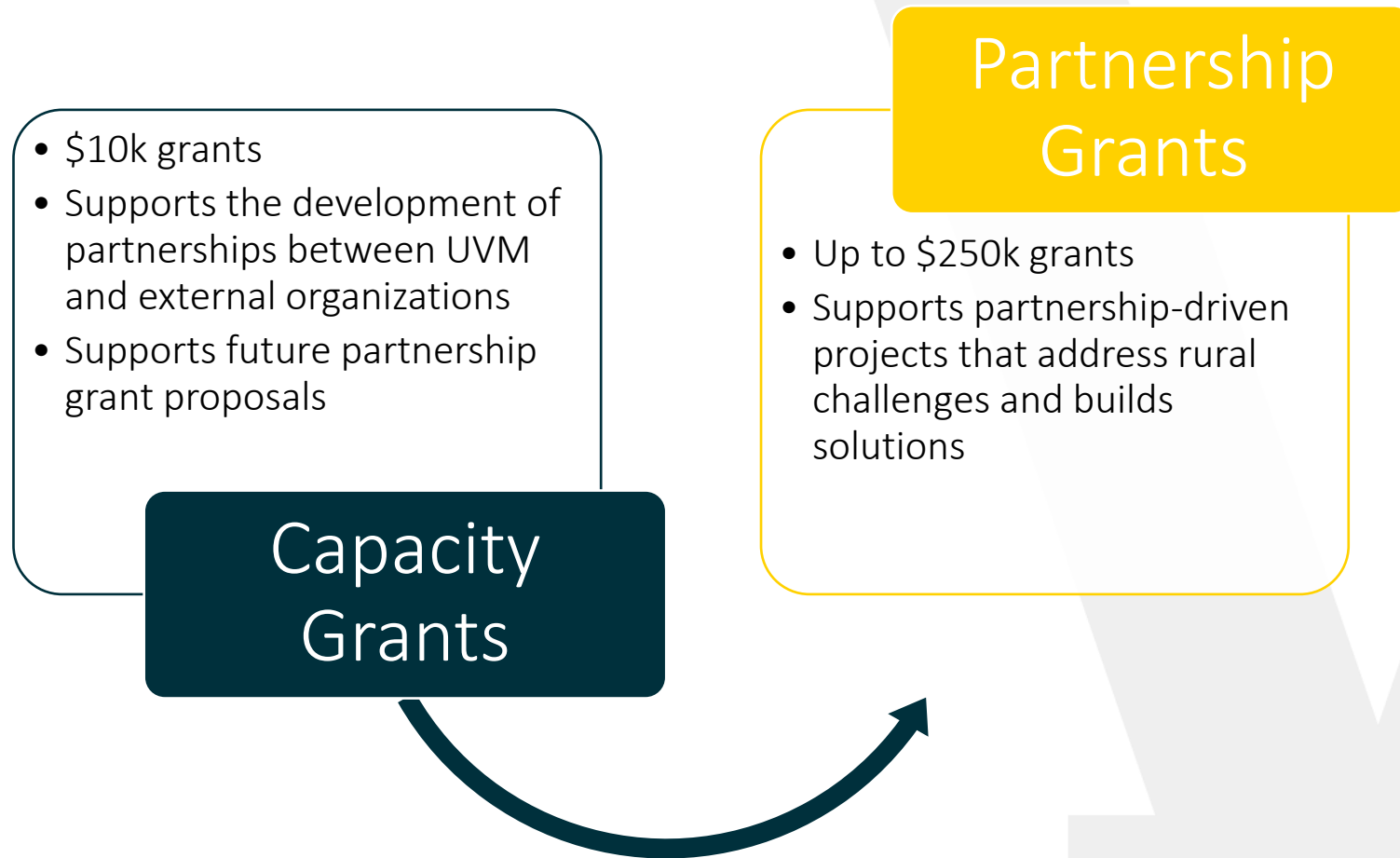
Mission:

To provide engagement opportunities and partnerships with the University of Vermont for the benefit of our rural places.

VISION:

A Vermont where all communities have an opportunity to thrive.

How We Work: Grantmaking



How We Work: Engagement Initiatives

Data Services

Student Engagement for a Resilient Vermont

Rural Places Summer Internship Program

Partners in Place Podcast

How We Work: Convenings

THE NEXT
BEST IDEAS
START HERE

SUMMIT OVERVIEW

Join us at RISE, a summit hosted by UVM that brings research, innovation, sustainability, and entrepreneurship together to spur change for a better tomorrow.

JUNE 24-25, 2024

Grand Maple Ballroom, Davis Center,
University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

IN PERSON / ONLINE

Virtual attendance options available

DAY 1: PLACEMAKING IN PRACTICE

JUNE 24, 2024

Day 1 will explore the role of research in community well-being and placemaking, featuring keynote addresses from national thought leaders.

DAY 2: PLACEMAKING TOOLS

JUNE 25, 2024

Day 2 will focus on placemaking for sustainability and feature keynotes from UVM faculty members and researchers.

Academic Policy Research

- Inform state policy with data
- Connect policy makers with national experts
- Craft reports with case studies, best practices, and cutting-edge research

Act 118 County and Regional Governance Study Committee Research Support

1. Purpose: Independent review of approaches and efforts undertaken by state and tribal entities for better regional alignment and deployment of resources.

2. Research Components

- a. Data Analysis
- b. Best practices and case studies
- c. Presentation of different approaches to regional governance

The Team

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- University of Vermont
- Director of the Master of Public Administration
- Former rural capacity and resilience practitioner

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Questions?

