



**VERMONT
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA**

**VERMONT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE PRESENTATION**

FEBRUARY 5, 2024



VSO Mission Statement

The Vermont Symphony Orchestra fosters and encourages the love of music throughout Vermont.

VSO Strategic Plan (2022 - 2025)

GOAL 1: Providing meaningful, evocative, and high caliber musical experiences

GOAL 2: Being integral to statewide music education

GOAL 3: Embedding racial and socioeconomic equity in the work of the VSO

GOAL 4: Operating a sustainable non-profit business

Impact: What do we do



Perform

44 live concerts
for 16,315 people

Serve the state

35 towns across all
14 counties

Educate

41 teaching events
for 2,150 students

Generate business

\$670K for
businesses &
\$1.13M for artist

VSO 2023/24 Concerts



Barre	Rutland
Bellows Falls	Shelburne
Burke	South Burlington
Burlington	South Pomfret
Grafton	St. Johnsbury
Island Pond	Stowe
Manchester	Warren
Middlebury	Waterbury
Montpelier	
Newport	
Poultney	



VSO 2023/24 Education



Musicians in Schools: Barton, Brownington, Burlington, Cavendish, Eden, Enosburg, Glover, Grand Isle, Greensboro, Mt. Holly, North Hero, Lakeview, Lovell, Ludlow, Newport, Rutland, Sheffield, South Burlington, Swanton, Waitsfield, Waterville

Musical Petting Zoo w/Summer Tour

Music-COMP premieres (Warren, Montpelier)

EPIC Music workshop (St. Johnsbury)

Student Insiders (Rutland)

Young Composers (Middlebury)

MasterClef student competition (Burlington)

Serving the state



Holiday Food Shelf

Barre: Hedding United Methodist
South Burlington: SB Food Shelf
Ludlow: Black River Good Neighbor



Free tickets

VT Assoc. for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Me2 Orchestra for mental health
Vermont National Guard,
students aged 5-17
\$10 tix for VT music educators, 18+ students

Free concerts

Burlington, Grafton, Island Pond, Montpelier,
Poultney, South Burlington, Warren

Summer Flood Relief

\$5000 raised with arts partners relief concert

VSO Partners



MIDDLEBURY
NEW FILMMAKERS
FESTIVAL



CHAMPLAIN
COLLEGE



Barre Opera House



FAIRBANKS
MUSEUM
& *planetarium*

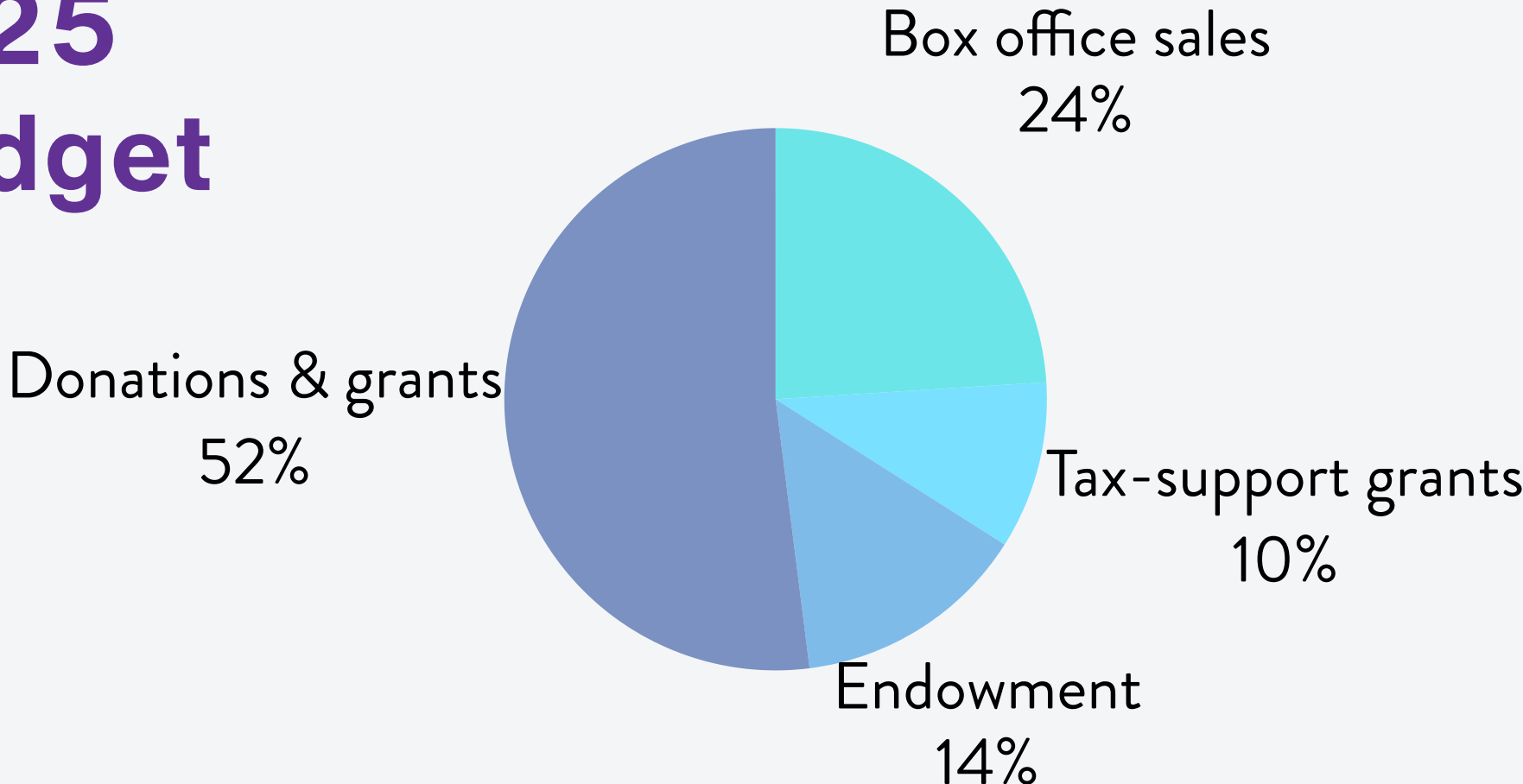
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FY25 Budget Request

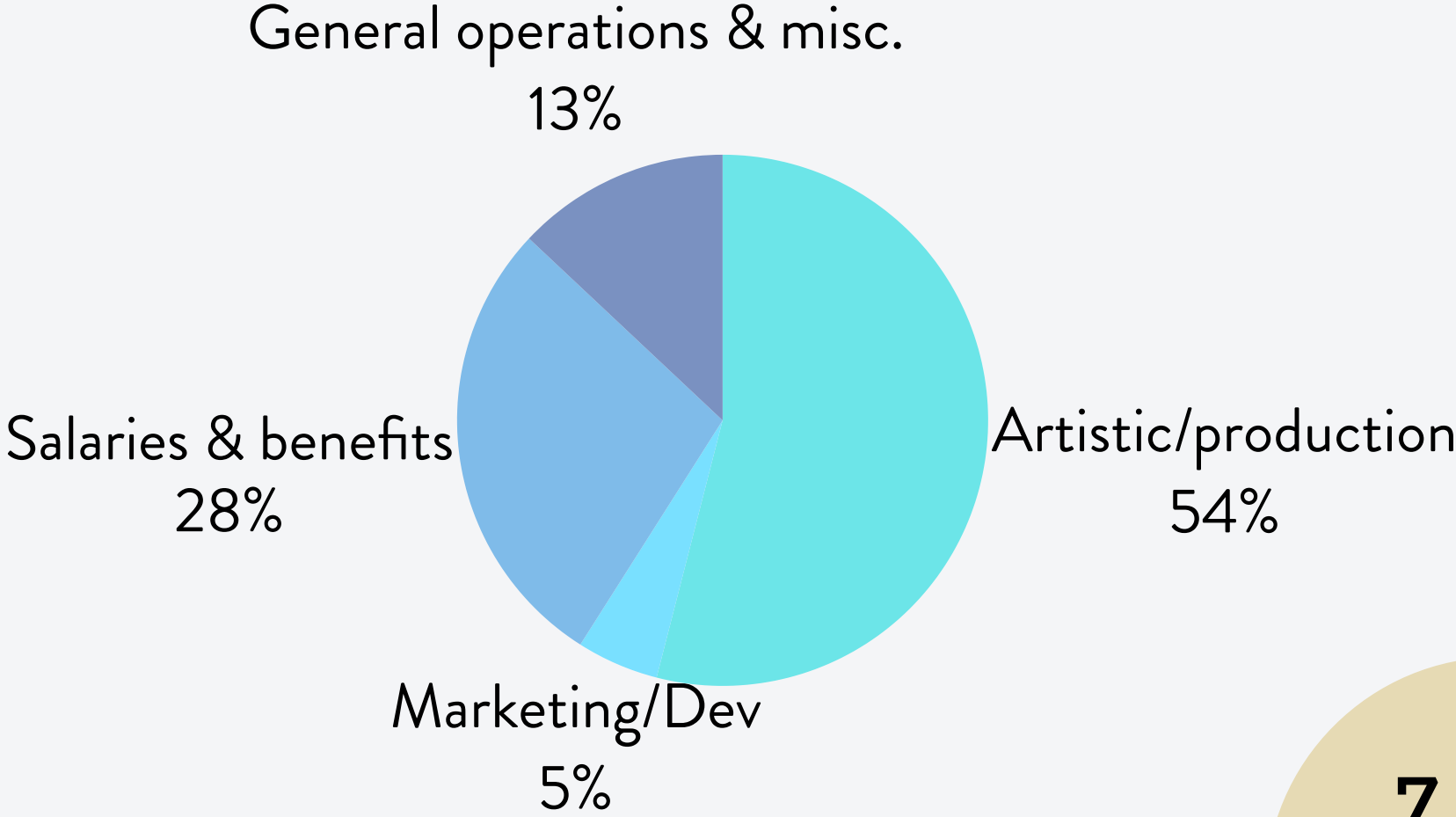
VSO FY24 appropriation	\$145,320
Change in grants expense	+3%
Subtotal of increases/decreases	\$4,360
VSO FY25 total request	\$149,680

VSO FY25 Budget

Income



Expense



VERMONT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 90TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON

One-time appropriation of \$35,000 rec'd in FY24
to:

Perform music by Vermont composers Eric Nielsen,
Deb Flanders, Pete Sutherland, Nico Muhly, and
Alexandra du Bois, and commission three new
pieces by Vermont composers.

Reach all 14 VT counties with concerts and
education programs; Revive full orchestra Young
Persons' Concert

Farmers' Night concert w/New Vermonter initiative





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