

Mission

To create an economic climate conducive to business growth and the enhancement of the Vermont quality of life.



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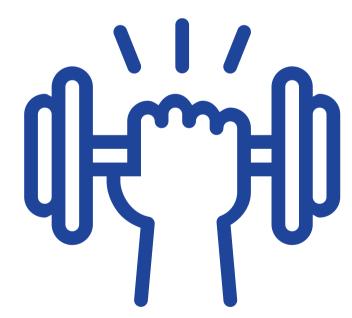
Priorities

Economic Stewardship Increase Supply of Workforce Housing

Elevate Our
Achievements







Economic Stewardship

"On top of inflation, ongoing supply chain issues, interest rate hikes, and layoffs/hiring freezes happening right here locally, the total impact of hundreds of millions in proposed taxes could overwhelm the Vermont economy."

Increase Supply of Workforce Housing

"High-demand professionals, like nurses, linemen, and CDL drivers, all need affordable middle-income housing options. People who are already here, and the people we need to move here to fix our workforce shortage, have difficulty finding and affording housing in Vermont."

Elevate Our Achievements

"By leveraging all our success, we can recruit and retain workers who want the security and quality of life Vermont has to offer. Our values, supportive communities, and unparalleled career advancement opportunities, let alone reimbursement for moving expenses, make Vermont an attractive place to move to. But, none of this matters if we don't tell anyone about it."

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Tourism



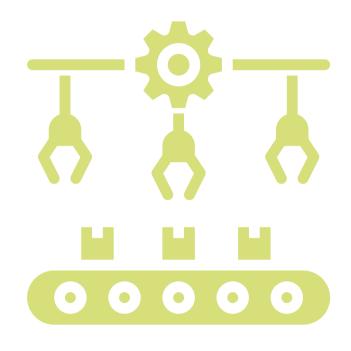
31,000 jobs, roughly 10% of Vermont's workforce

\$3 billion of visitor spending

\$373 million in tax revenue

Over 13 million visitors

Manufacturing



32,000 jobs (11% of all employment)

About \$2.8 billion or 9% of the state's GDP

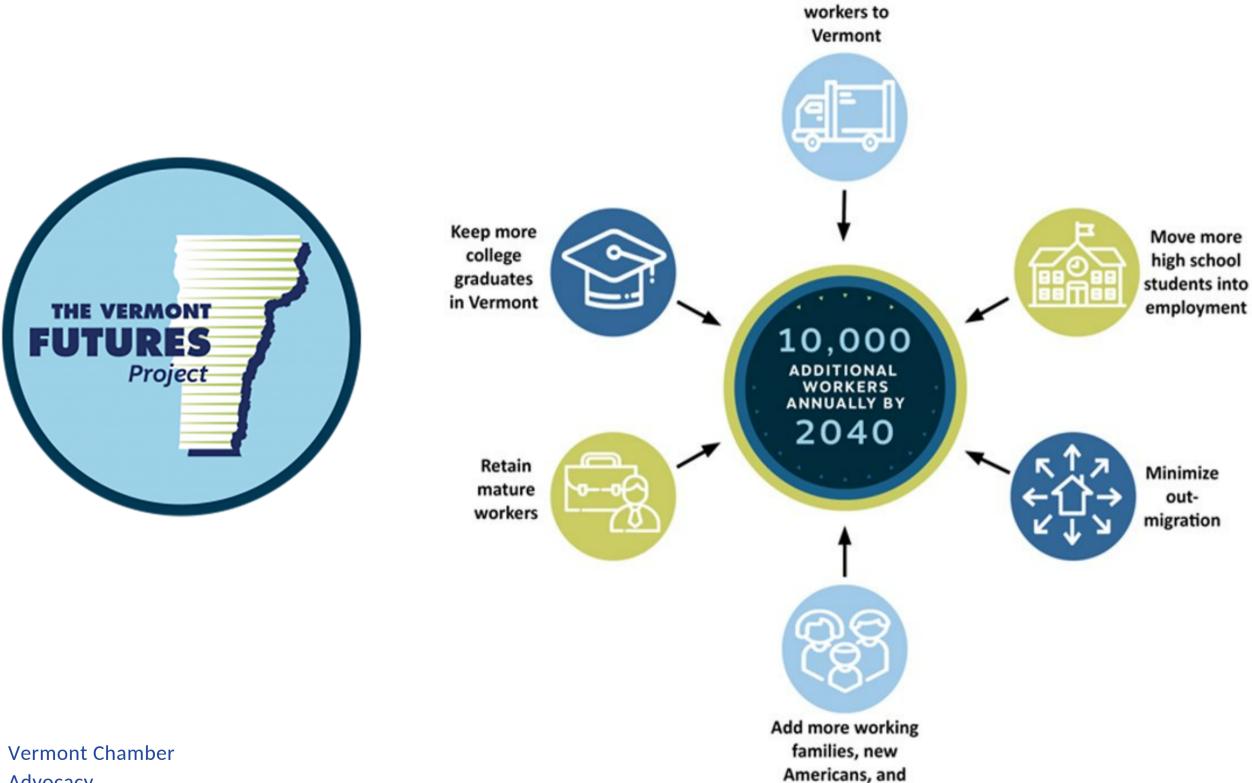
Employment Multiplier:

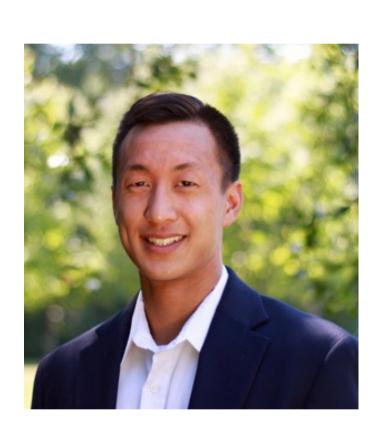
- Each manufacturing job supports an additional 1.6 jobs
- Each Advanced Manufacturing job supports as many as 4.9 other jobs

Vermont Futures Project

Relocate new

remote workers





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Good Morning

A new biennium is right around the corner, and the Vermont Chamber advocacy team is gearing up to hit the ground running after the holidays. In recent weeks we've met with legislators, members of the Governor's administration, and partner organizations to set the tone for finding common-ground policies that value the contributions of Vermont businesses.

The 2023 session is perhaps more anticipated than most, with a broad slate of new legislators and the depletion of federal pandemic funding, we've reached a pivot point in the return to "normalcy." While businesses continue to face volatile economic conditions, the <u>ability of Vermonters to absorb the cost</u> of sustained programs will be central to our work.

Wishing you a healthy and joyful holiday season,

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