

Gary Holloway

VT Department of Housing and Community Development

House Transportation February 22, 2024

#### 24 designated downtowns

This community revitalization program is designed to preserve the character and enhance the future of medium to large sized historic centers by incentivizing public and private investments, improving quality of life and encouraging economic development. Municipalities that receive designation collaborate with local nonprofit downtown organizations supporting efforts through funding, staff, partnerships and volunteers.





Burlington

Bristol

- Streetscape improvements
- Parking facilities
- Rail or bus facilities
- Bicycle & pedestrian enhancements

- Utility relocation
- Way-finding signage
- Street lighting
- ADA access improvements



- Maximum annual grant is \$200,000
- 20% match required may use in kind
- Applications due February awarded in April
- 24 months to start project
- 36 months to complete



- 2021 \$5M one time allocation and expand eligibility to include eligible Designated Village Centers
- 2022 \$2,098,094 awarded to 15 communities
- 2023 \$1,154,436 awarded to 8 communities
- 2024 \$1,715,585 requested from 11 communities (pending award)



# **DTF by the Numbers**





#### By the Numbers [2018-2023]



28 communities served

### **\$4.7** m



in downtown transportation grants awarded

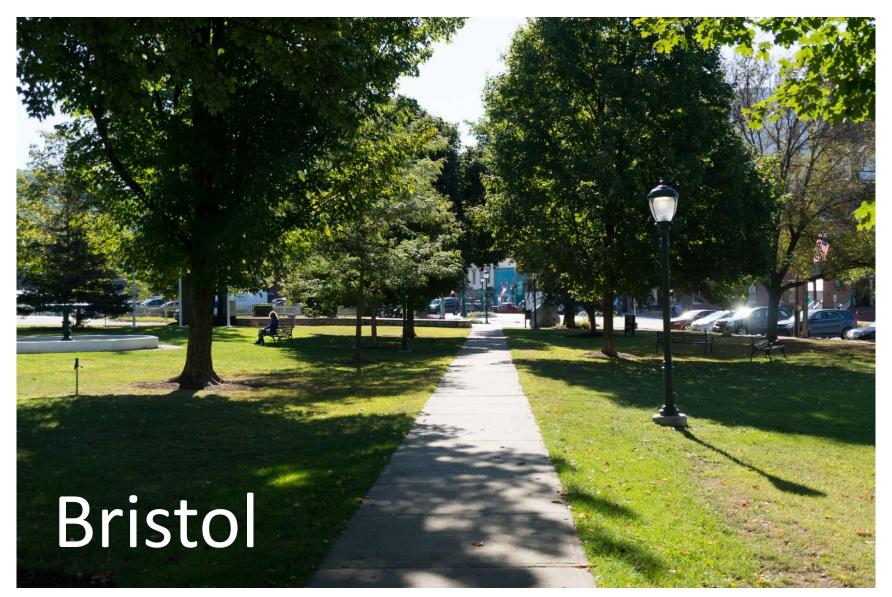


\$9.8 m leveraged with downtown transportation funds

#### **Transforming St. Albans**

**Public Improvements Leverage Private Investment** 









# Springfield Comtu Falls Park Before



### Springfield Comtu Falls Park After



### Rutland



### Supports Safe and Vibrant Downtowns



