



**VERMONT
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA**

**VERMONT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

FEBRUARY 18, 2025



VSO MISSION STATEMENT

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

VSO STRATEGIC PLAN (2025 - 2027)

GOAL 1: To provide meaningful, evocative, and high caliber musical experiences

GOAL 2: To serve as a resource for statewide music education

GOAL 3: To embed inclusivity and equity in the work of the VSO

GOAL 4: To operate a sustainable non-profit business

IMPACT: WHAT WE DO

Perform

41 live concerts
for 17,263 people

Educate

50 teaching events
for 3,025 students

Serve the state

40 towns across all
14 counties

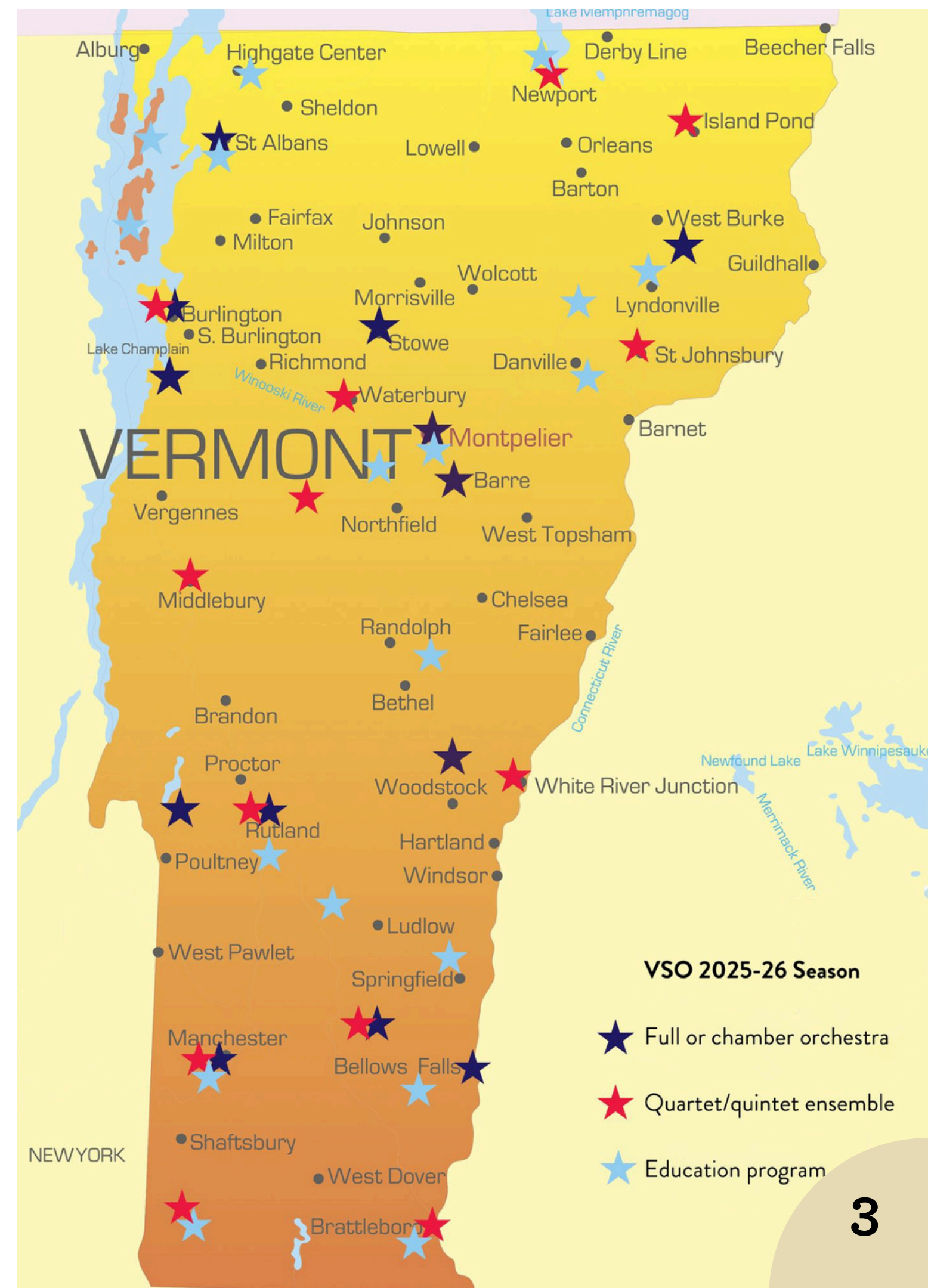
Generate business

\$718K for
businesses &
\$1.7M for arts
practitioners



VSO FY25 COMMUNITIES

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| Barre | Lowell | Shelburne |
| Barton | Ludlow | So Burlington |
| Bellows Falls | Manchester | So Pomfret |
| Brattleboro | Middlebury | Springfield |
| Burlington | Montpelier | St Johnsbury |
| Cavendish | Moretown | Stowe |
| Colchester | Mount Holly | Strafford |
| East Burke | Newport City | Tunbridge |
| Eden | Newport Town | Warren |
| Glover | Ripton | Waterbury |
| Grafton | Rutland | Waterville |
| Grand Isle | Salisbury | Weybridge |
| Greensboro | Saxtons River | Wheeler |
| Hardwick | Sheffield | Woodstock |
| Island Pond | | |



VSO EDUCATION



Musicians in Schools: Tunbridge, Strafford, Saxtons River, Springfield, Greensboro, Hardwick, Wheeler, Glover, Moretown, Fayston, Cavendish, Mount Holly, Ludlow, Rutland, Manchester, South Hero, Grand Isle, North Hero, Brattleboro, Swanton, Danville, St Johnsbury, Lyndon, Franklin, Highgate, Newport

Musical Petting Zoo w/Summer Tour

Music-COMP student premieres (Warren, Newport, Manchester, Grafton, Montpelier)

Student Insiders (Rutland)

VT Youth Orchestra side-by-side concerts (Burlington)

Juicebox kids quartet (White River Junction, Brattleboro)

Young Composers (Jericho)

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/Visually Impaired
Me2 Orchestra for mental health
Vermont National Guard
Students aged 5-17
\$10 tix for music educators, 18+ students

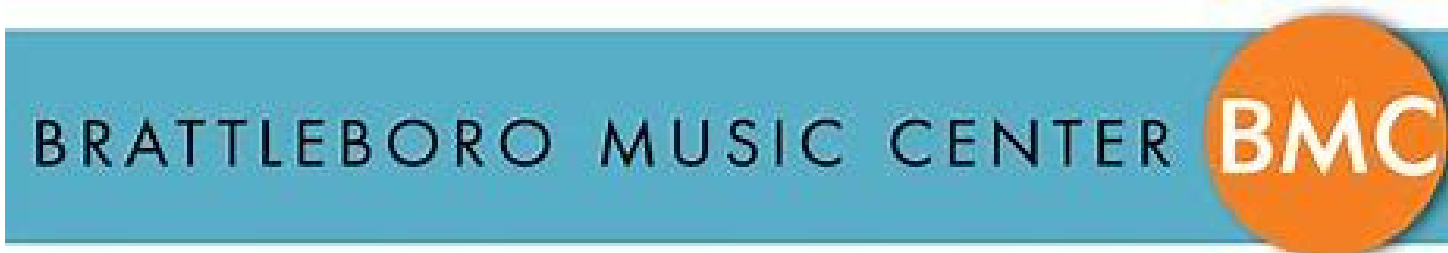
Free concerts & music ed

Burlington, Chester, Grafton, Island Pond,
Montpelier, Pittsford, Warren, Weston,
Weybridge and more





VSO PARTNERS

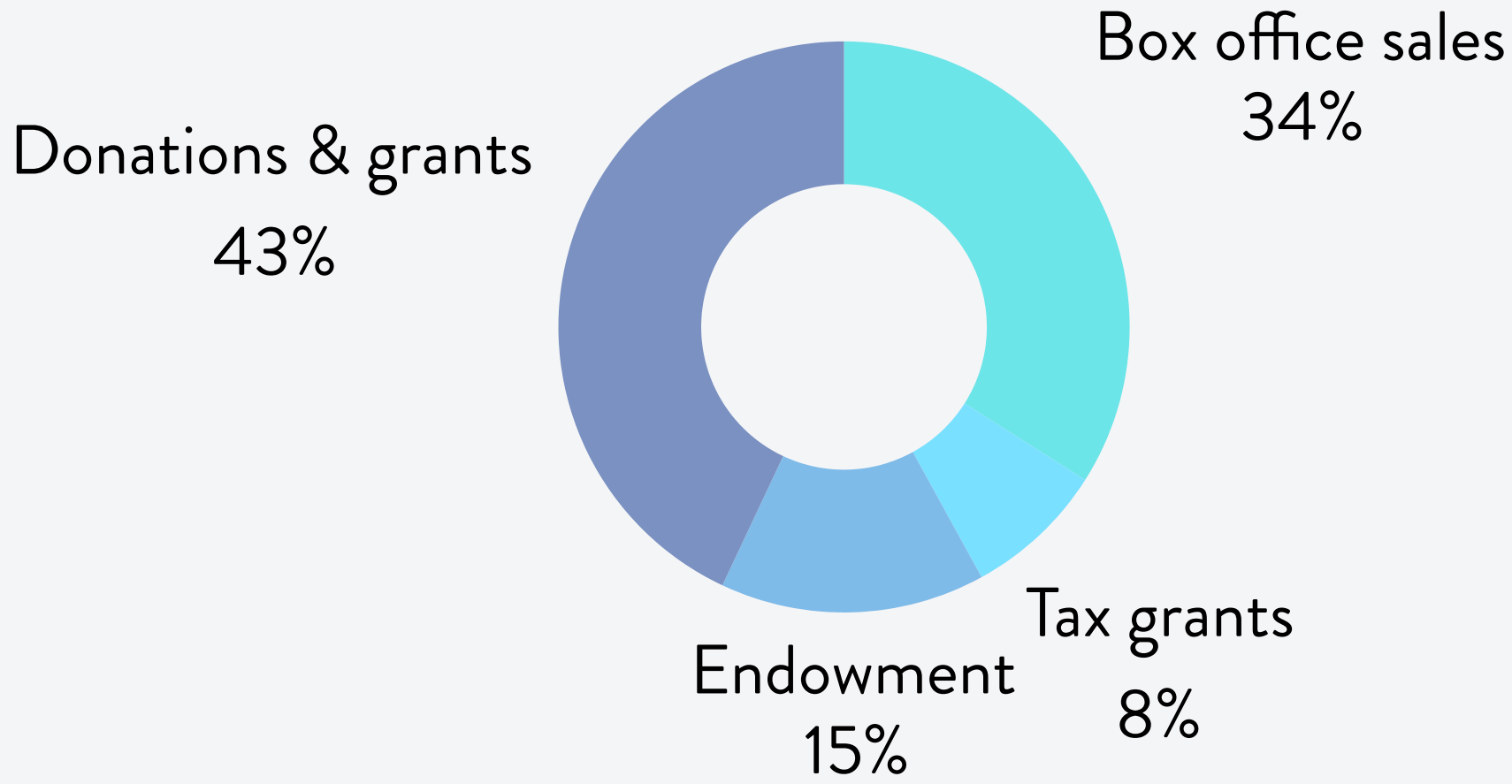


FY26 BUDGET REQUEST

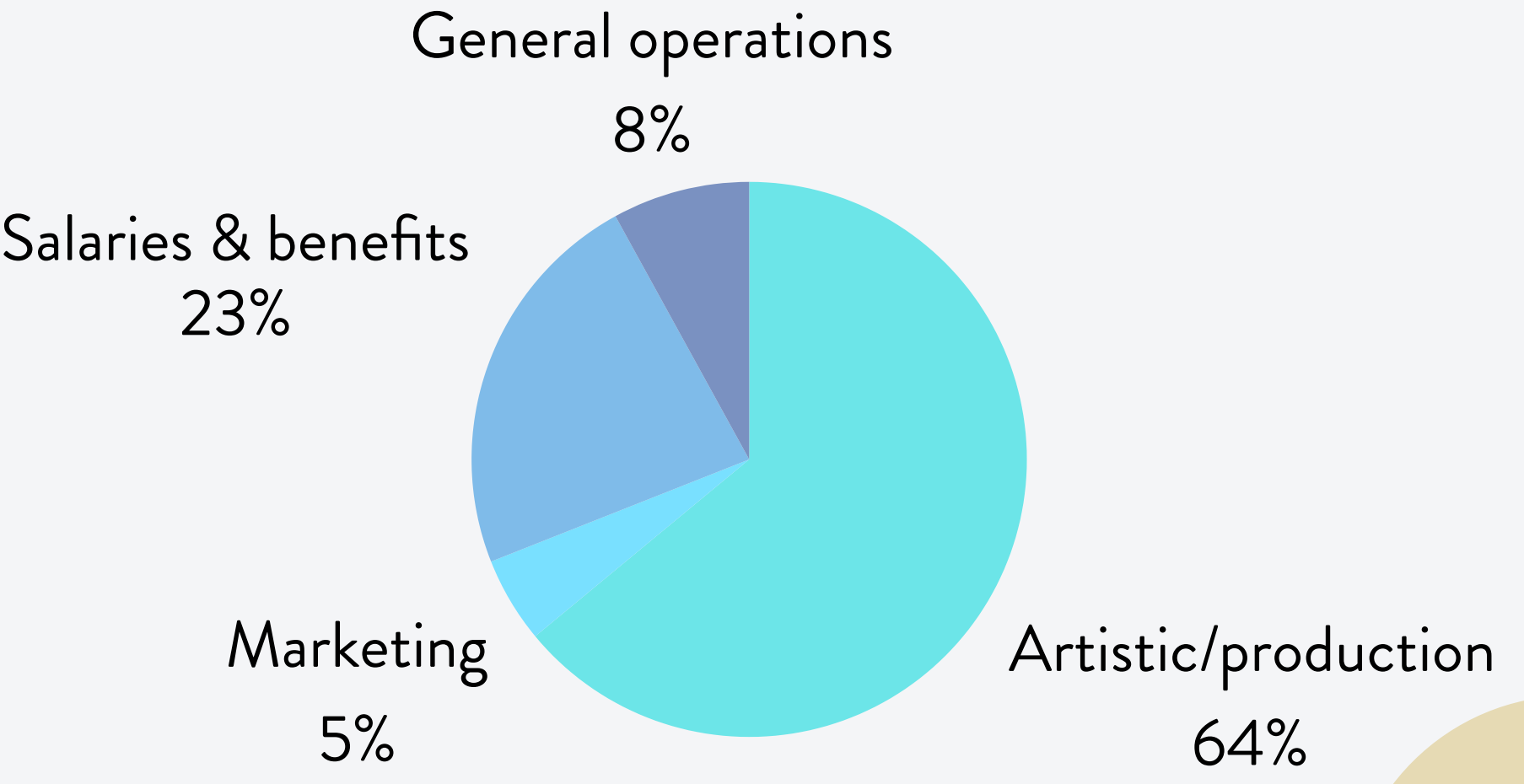
VSO FY25 appropriation	\$149,680
Change in grants expense	+3%
Subtotal of increases/decreases	\$4,490
VSO FY26 total request	\$154,170

VSO \$2.3M FY26 Budget

Income



Expense





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