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Criminal Division	VT Crime Information Center Jeffrey Wallin	Central Office	Recovery Section	Accounting Office	Toxicology Section	
Bureau of Criminal Investigation	Radio Technology Services Corey Chase	Fire Academy	Mitigation Section	Budget Office	Biology (Serology/DNA) Section	
Major Crime Unit		Barre Regional Office	Planning Section	Grant Management Office	Drug Chemistry Section	
Special Investigations		Rutland Regional Office	Operations & Logistics Section	Procurement Office	Physical Comparison (Latent Prints/Firearms) Section	
Field Force Division		Springfield Regional Office	Engagement Section	Audit & Payroll Office		
Troop A		Williston Regional Office	State Emergency Operations Center			
Troop B		Hazmat Program				
Special Operations		Urban Search and Rescue				
Support Services Division						
Staff Operations						
Fair & Impartial Policing & Community Affairs						
Fleet Services						
Public Information Officer						
Emergency Communications						

Vermont State Police
Colonel Matthew Birmingham

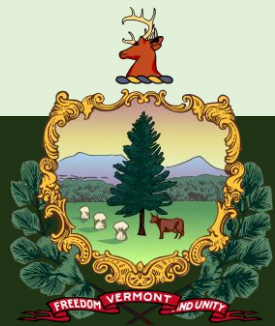**Divisions:**

Field Force Division
- Field Force
- Special Operations
- Traffic and Recreational Safety Programs

Criminal Division
- Bureau of Criminal Investigation
- Major Crime Unit
- Technology Investigation Unit
- VT Intelligence Center and Homeland Security Unit
- Narcotics Investigation Unit

Support Services Division
- Fair & Impartial Policing
- Staff Operations
- Emergency Communications
- Fleet Services

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Division of Fire Safety
Executive Director Michael Desrochers

Sections:	Plumbing & Electrical Licensing
	Building Codes – Permitting (numerous trades represented)
	HazMat Team
	Fire Academy – Pittsford
	Urban Search & Rescue (USAR)
	Fire Investigation Unit
	Public Education
Subject Matters:	Rental Housing
	Fire Safety Code
	Electrical/Plumbing/Boiler/Elevator Licensing
	Energy Efficiency
	Short Term Rental
	Fire Safety Training
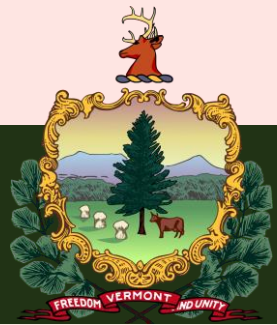
Vermont Emergency Management
Director Eric Forand

Sections:	Engagement Section
	Operations and Logistics Section
	Planning Section
	Recovery Section
	Mitigation Section
Subject Matters:	Management of Emergency Operations Center
	Disaster Recovery/Public Assistance
	Mitigation Project Management
	Municipal Outreach and Support
	Training/Exercise
	School Safety

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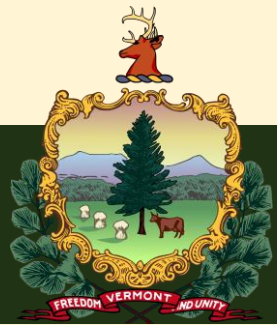
Vermont Crime Information Center
Director Jeffrey Wallin

Sections:	**Fingerprint Section** **Record Check Section** **Criminal History Section** **Vermont Sex Offender Registry** **Audit & Training Section (NCIC, NIBRS Data)**
Subject Matters:	**Fingerprint Supported Record Checks** **National Crime Information Center (Warrants, Protection Orders, etc.)** **Firearm Check Inquiries** **Expungement and Sealing Processing** **National Crime Statistics** *Programs above support every law enforcement agencies statewide and VCIC processes all fingerprint submissions for licensing and employment in Vermont*

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Radio Technology Services
Director Corey Chase

Subject Matters:

State Land Mobile Radio (LMR) networks
- Maintains networks for SOV agencies: DPS, AOT, ANR
- Maintains mobile and portable radios for SOV users
- Used by first responders from many non-SOV agencies

Tower sites
- Over 40 towers for LMR service, most on mountain tops
- Microwave network connecting towers
- Used by many local dispatch agencies for their LMR networks

DPS telephone system
- Over 700 lines including in PSAPs and DPS administrative offices

Interoperability
- VCOMM Interoperable LMR network for first responders
- Subject matter expertise support for local and county officials

Vermont Forensic Laboratory
Director Dr. Trisha Conti

Subject Matters:

Chemistry (Seized Drugs, Clandestine Labs)

Biology (Serology, CODIS, DNA, Sex Assault Kits, Forensic Nurse Examiners)

Toxicology (DUI/DUID, DRE Program)

Physical Comparison (Firearms, Toolmarks, Latent Prints, ABIS)

Quality (Audits, Accreditation)

Evidence (Chain of Custody, Evidence Storage)

Administration & Finance
Director Richard Hallenbeck

Sections:

Accounting Office

Budget Office

Grant Management Office

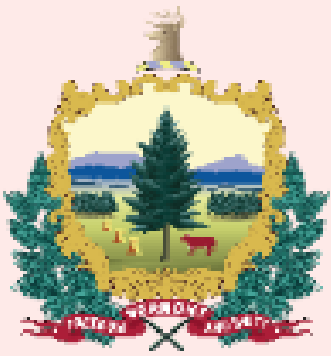**Procurement Office**

Audit & Payroll Office

Federal Grant Programs

- Manage 31 federal grant programs from FEMA, ARPA, DOJ, BJA, PHMSA, etc. Disbursed $114M during SFY 2024. $95M in disaster grant funding alone. $99M was passed through to subrecipients, serving 219 communities, private non-profits, law enforcement agencies, etc.

Animal Welfare
Director TBD

New division to Department of Public Safety
Hiring of new director anticipated for January 2025
First year priority to develop a comprehensive statewide animal welfare plan
Legislative report due 8 months from director's start date.