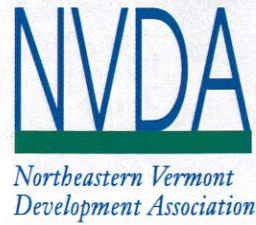




## Unaudited Financials for Fiscal Year 2017\*

NVDA'S revenues came from numerous sources, including a share of the state's property transfer funds; private, state, and federal grants; and annual appropriations from each of our 50+ member communities. We also received rental income from the Charles E. Carter Business Resource Center, the Gallery Building, and other income from contracted services, such as grant administration and municipal plan and bylaw development.

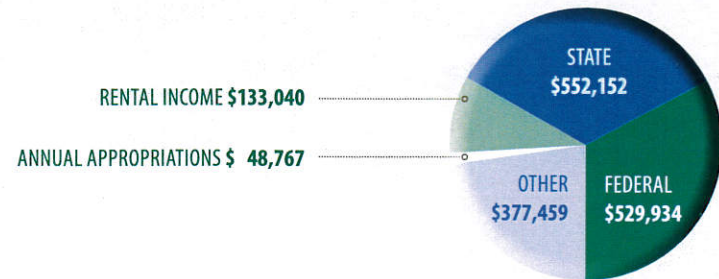
NVDA also has two Nonprofit Community Development Organization (NCDO) relending funds capitalized by loan repayments from Community Development Block Grants. Two loans totaling \$160,000.00 were made from one NCDO in FY2017.



### PROGRAMS

	REGIONAL PLANNING	TRANSPORTATION	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	TOTALS
REVENUES	\$ 688,501	\$ 302,115	\$ 650,736	\$ 1,641,352
EXPENDITURES	\$ 477,661	\$ 302,115	\$ 407,836	\$ 1,187,612
BALANCE	\$ 210,840	\$ —	\$ 242,900	\$ 453,740

### REVENUE SOURCES



\*Audited financials will be available in December 2017.

### STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR FY2017

Economic Development Administration — U.S. Department of Commerce  
 Northern Border Regional Commission  
 USDA Rural Development — U.S. Department of Agriculture  
 Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets  
 Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development  
 Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
 Vermont Agency of Natural Resources — U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
 Vermont Agency of Transportation — U.S. Department of Transportation  
 Vermont Department of Buildings and General Services  
 Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation — U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
 Vermont Department of Public Safety — U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
 Vermont Department of Public Safety  
 Vermont Department of Public Service  
 Vermont Small Business Development Center — U.S. Small Business Administration

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### TOWN APPOINTED MEMBERS OF CALEDONIA COUNTY

Danville: Kenneth Linsley  
 Groton: Peter Lyon  
 Hardwick: Jim Lovinsky  
 Kirby: Rebecca Hill-Larsen,  
James Sawhill

Lyndon: Martha Feltus  
 Newark: Kim Fried, Mark Whitworth  
 Peacham: Jennifer Surat  
 Ryegate: Claudette Sortino  
 Sheffield: Keith Ballek

St. Johnsbury: Jim Brown, Larry Donna  
 Sutton: Paul Brouha  
 Walden: Jeff Pierpont  
 Waterford: Brent Beck, Fred Saar

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Brighton: Joel Cope  
 Canaan: Gregory Noyes  
 Concord: Christopher Fournier

East Haven: Kirwin Flanders  
 Granby: Reginald Bunnell  
 Guildhall: Gary Brown

Lunenburg: James Peyton  
 Maidstone: Bruce Hobaugh  
 Norton: Patricia Whitney  
 Unified Towns & Gores: Peter Rodin

### TOWN APPOINTED MEMBERS OF ORLEANS COUNTY

Albany: S. Christopher Jacobs, Edward O'Leary  
 Barton: Robert Croteau, William Davies  
 Brownington: Bill Davis, Laurence Thompson  
 Charleston: Teri Gray  
 Coventry: Jeanne Desrochers, Michael Marcotte  
 Craftsbury: Farley Brown, Linda Wells  
 Derby: Beula-Jean Shattuck, Grant Spates  
 Glover: Hope Colburn  
 Holland: Andrew Bouchard

Irasburg: Ron Holland, Michael Sanville  
 Lowell: Calvin Allen  
 Morgan: Robert Guyer  
 Newport City: Paul Monette, Laura Dolgin  
 Newport Town: Real Lanoue  
 Troy: Robert Langlands, Mark Sanville  
 Westfield: Scott Dunn  
 Westmore: Louisa Dotoli

### AT LARGE MEMBERS

Conrad Doyon, Claudio Fort, John Morley, Tom Robinson

### LEGISLATORS

#### SENATORS BY DISTRICT:

Caledonia: Joe Benning Esq., Jane Kitchel; Essex-Orleans: John Rodgers, Robert Starr, Jr.

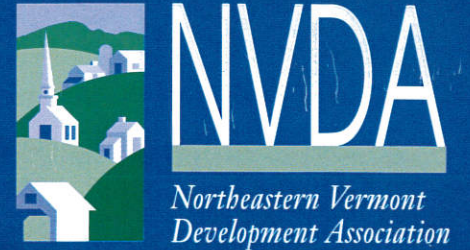
#### REPRESENTATIVES BY DISTRICT:

Caledonia-1: Marcia Martel; Caledonia-2: Joseph "Chip" Troiano; Caledonia-3: Scott Beck, Janssen Willhoit;  
 Caledonia-4: Martha Feltus, Richard Lawrence; Caledonia-Washington: Catherine "Kitty" Beattie Toll;  
 Essex-Caledonia: Constance Quimby; Essex-Caledonia-Orleans: Paul Lefebvre;  
 Orange-Caledonia: Charles "Chip" Conquest; Orleans: Lynn Batchelor, Brian Smith; Orleans-2: Michael Marcotte, Gary Viens;  
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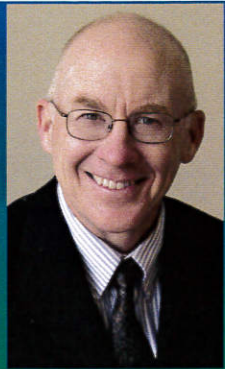
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**Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) is the only entity in Vermont to combine economic development and planning.**

Our broad array of services supports our mission to the 50+ municipalities of Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties: "Improving the quality of life in the Northeast Kingdom through planning, promoting economic development, and preserving the region's natural environment."



## From the Executive Director

This year, changes in statewide leadership created opportunities for NVDA to strengthen its strategic partnerships. We continue to play an active role in the Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative as we work with the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Agency of Commerce & Community Development to recruit Quebec companies. We succeeded in bringing another manufacturer to our industrial park, and we are currently assisting others who also want to locate in Vermont.

Another new venture for NVDA this year was a partnership with Northern Community Investment Corporation and the St. Johnsbury Chamber to participate in a New Market Tax Credit project to facilitate the expansion of St. J Auto. This was important for bringing new facilities and good-paying jobs to the community. Because most of the NEK region is NMTC-eligible, we will be looking for other projects in the coming year.

NVDA's participation in the Vermont Council on Rural Development's Community Visit Program allowed our planning staff to engage deeply with the towns of Lyndon and Burke. The visits generated large turnouts in the host communities, and their prioritization processes yielded projects that residents and local leaders are ready to tackle.

We served the region in a new capacity this year when we teamed up with a solar developer to remediate a Lyndon brownfield to site a 975 kW capacity solar field. By working with the Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the developer, NVDA is able to use a special exemption given to regional development corporations to acquire, assess, and ultimately put back into productive use a contaminated property. This collaboration is a model we hope to pursue in the future, as we look for more ways to generate affordable renewable energy in a manner that fits the needs and character of our communities.

Energy planning, in fact, was a major focus for our planning staff this year. We worked arduously on regional and local plans in support of the ambitious statewide energy goal to meet 90% of our energy needs with renewable resources by the year 2050. We have produced a draft regional energy plan and are currently assisting a number of communities to produce local plans intended to carry more weight in the Section 248 process.

Nonpoint source pollution, such as phosphorous loading, is an issue of key concern statewide. NVDA has engaged in a number of partnerships with state agencies, municipalities, and various public and private organization to achieve holistic solutions that focus on local actions with far-ranging impacts.

In a time of significant change and uncertainty at the federal level, our local and regional actions matter more than ever. The map on the following page represents the diversity of our services, all of which support our underlying mission to the Northeast Kingdom. As always, NVDA looks forward to exploring new partnerships and opportunities in the coming year.

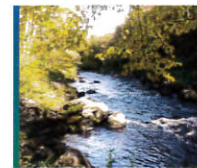
David Snedeker

## FY2017 Highlights



**Downtowns and Village Centers:** Our work to revitalize the region's downtowns and villages continues. Staff provide ongoing technical support

to downtown efforts in Newport and St. Johnsbury. This year, we helped Canaan and Brownington earn Village Center Designation, making tax credits available for important reinvestment projects.



**Basin Planning:** Staff collaborated with multiple stakeholders in the Lamoille and Memphremagog watersheds to create strategic plans to protect or restore specific waters and identify appropriate funding and resources to complete the work.



**Hardwick Business Accelerator:** NVDA helped to secure funding for a next-level entrepreneurial hub in Hardwick, allowing businesses that graduate from the incubator stage to expand — and stay local.



**Land Use Planning for Working Lands:** Our five-year effort with the Town of Sutton culminated in the adoption of the region's first-ever density-based zoning overlay, which eliminates large minimum lot sizes in favor of more efficient use of forestry and agricultural lands.



**Emergency Planning:** Staff regularly assists with the development of plans that can minimize local out-of-pocket costs in federal disasters. In 2017, Newport

City, Greensboro, Brighton, Lowell, Canaan, Albany, Walden, Glover, Kirby, Waterford, and the Unified Towns and Gores all adopted FEMA-approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plans.

