

The purpose of the **Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce** is to guide, inspire and promote the best interests of the business and professionals of the area, and to enhance the economic, cultural, educational and recreational opportunities of it's citizens.

Mission: Responsibly improve the climate for doing business in Central Vermont.

Employment and Economic Growth

Permits, tax stabilization and incentives, infrastructure, housing, cost of doing business.

Community Information & Promotion

Annual Profile, regional website, data & demographics, maps, and visitor information.

Travel Promotion

Regional brochure, niche guides, interstate displays and distribution, ad placement.

Voice on Business Issues

To public via newspaper columns, to municipal government, to planners, to legislators.

Business Assistance

Workshops, consulting teams, professional development a/v library, data, referral.

Social Opportunities & Networking

Annual meeting, mixers, legislative functions, committee participation.

Member Discounts

Chamber ads, web listing, web pages, Profile listing, health and dental insurance, phones.

Chamber Services

Responding to visitor, relocation, and business inquiries, assisting callers, referrals.

Member Services

Referrals, updates and invites, legislative alerts, notices, audio/visual library, and surveys.

Comprehensive Regional Website

Visitor, town, relocating and business information, member listings, mapping and pages, space availability, economic, demographic, education and community data, and more.
www.central-vt.com: more than 200 advertisers; One million pages viewed annually.

**Your Chamber provides all this and more for about \$1 per day for most members.
Call 229-5711 or visit www.central-vt.com/chamber for information or application.**

CENTRAL VERMONT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Serving over 500 businesses and organizations in Washington County and surrounding communities through promotion, development, technology, tourism and membership services.

YOUR CHAMBER IS

A DEPARTMENT OF YOUR BUSINESS - A department staffed with skilled professionals who work diligently for your business, making Central Vermont a better place to live and make a living.

A WATCHFUL EYE - seeing to it that the economy remains strong and the quality of life is maintained.

A POWERFUL TEAM - of hundreds of members, volunteers and staff working together to constantly promote and sell our community to prospective residents and business ventures.

THE FRONT DOOR - of our community. The place where visitors and newcomers get their first impression of our area. The Chamber is truly the heart of the community.

WHO ELSE WOULD?

If there were no businesses willing to invest in the future of our community, if there were no Chamber of Commerce, who would...

HOST Vermont's most comprehensive regional website covering everything from tourism and relocation information, to a local business directory, to shopping to demographics, and town-by-town information.

ANSWER thousands of questions about our community from tourists, prospective residents and new businesses.

MAINTAIN an office with full time professional staff devoted to the commercial, civic and retail development of Central Vermont?

COORDINATE the talents of local business people creating powerful teams to address the basic issues of regional promotion and development, housing, employment and taxes?

PURSUE opportunities to make our area a better place to live and make a living?

CHAMBER PROGRAMS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT -

- Working with firms in need of area statistics, possible sites and other pertinent information.
- Providing information and aid to tourists and promoting the area's tourist attractions.
- Presenting the community to people and businesses considering a move to Central Vermont.
- Posting available commercial sites on the web.

PROMOTING BUSINESS -

- Promoting successful business skills through training seminars and consulting services.
- Offering business a vehicle to express its concerns to state legislators face-to-face.
- Hosting Vermont's most comprehensive regional website.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT -

- Providing in-depth information on individual towns including contact information so people can easily become more active in the community.
- Organizing special programs that bring unique entertainment to our area.

DIRECT BENEFITS -

- Chamber programs improve the community and marketplace for all businesses — member and nonmember. The organization directs as much of the benefit to members as possible.
- Chamber members will be listed on the World Wide Web for a stronger Central Vermont marketing presence.
- Managers of member companies receive regular updates and invitations to business-social functions where important contacts can be made.
- Member firms are listed in the Chamber's Business Directory. It is available to new residents who must establish new purchasing patterns for their families' goods and services.
- Members tie into a network that provides opportunities to expand business relationships and to develop new management skills.