

## FY25 ANNUAL REPORT – CITY OF BARRE

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) provides planning, development, and project implementation services to its 23 municipalities in Washington and western Orange Counties. Municipalities in the region are entitled to equal voting representation by a locally appointed member to the governing Board of Commissioners. CVRPC has no regulatory or taxing authority; each year, we request a per capita assessment from our members in support of local and regional planning activities and to help offset costs and provide local matching funds needed for state and federal funding. Your continued support for local and regional planning is valued! CVRPC is your resource – please contact us at 802-229-0389 or [cvrpc@cvregion.com](mailto:cvrpc@cvregion.com) for assistance.

### City of Barre Activities Through June 30, 2025 (Fiscal Year 2025)

- Provided technical assistance to review energy audits of municipal buildings (FY24 MERP), scope projects from recommendations, and apply for \$499,752 MERP Implementation Phase funding (**awarded \$499,752** FY25) for improvements to the Barre Auditorium and City Hall building envelopes and HVAC systems.
- Supported the application for funding and the planting of four new shade trees in Mathewson Playground through the Community Tree Plant Grant.
- Identified 49 discretionary municipal water quality restoration projects from the Department of Environmental Conservation Watershed Projects Database supported by goals identified in the municipal plan.
- Presented before City Council and met with municipal staff to determine priority flood hazard mitigation projects; drafted three Hazard Mitigation Grant Program applications on behalf of the City to fund identified priorities.
- Participated in Planning Commission meetings and planning the community charrette for transit-oriented development as part of the Barre Downtown Master Plan RAISE grant.
- Assisted City in completion and FEMA approval process for the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Engaged the City and Housing Task Force on a residential infill analysis. Delivered a final report from the housing infill analysis. Prepared an [interactive web map](#) to display the study results.
- Finalized engineering designs for stormwater mitigation at the Barre Auditorium complex.
- Provided template and planning support for extreme temperature preparedness addendum to the Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP).

**Regional Commissioner**  
Janet Shatney  
**Transportation Advisory  
Committee**  
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### Overview of CVRPC Programs and Services

- ❖ *Assistance for city plan and bylaw updates, focusing on predictable and effective local permitting*
- ❖ *Brownfields environmental site assessments to facilitate redevelopment and economic growth*
- ❖ *Transportation planning, studies, data collection, traffic counts, and coordination of local involvement through the regional Transportation Advisory Committee*
- ❖ *Emergency planning for natural disasters and coordination with local volunteers and the State*
- ❖ *Climate and energy planning to support projects to reduce energy burdens and build resilience*
- ❖ *Natural resource planning to protect water resources, preserve forest blocks, enhance recreational opportunities and support agricultural and forest industries*
- ❖ *Regional Planning to coordinate infrastructure, community development, and growth*
- ❖ *Geographic Information System Services to support to municipalities*
- ❖ *Clean Water Service Provider: Support water quality projects to meet phosphorous reduction targets*
- ❖ *Special Projects such as recreation paths, farmland preservation, and affordable housing*
- ❖ *Grant support through project identification, scoping, and applications*