



Public Investment Call, August 6, 2026

Vermont Portfolio Update



Mission Investing at VCF

Historically, Community Foundations invest in the public markets and use those earnings to support grant making aligned with their mission. In 2001 the VCF Board decided to allocate 5% of the corpus to invest directly in Vermont. VCF has been a leader in this approach nationally.

We call the 5% allocation The Vermont Pool; and the total mission investment set The Vermont Portfolio.

Mission Investments are aligned with our grant making impact areas.

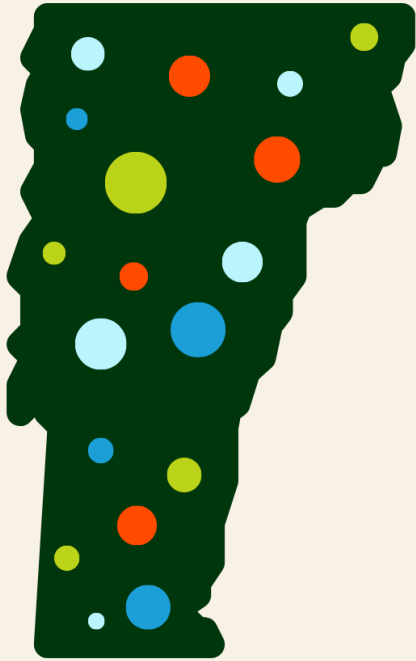
Financial Return Objective: Over the long term maintain purchasing power net of losses, expenses, and inflation. Individual investment return targets are adjusted for both risk and social impact. Over the long term, that has been around 2.6%.

A note on valuation: Compared to the assets in the core pool, the Vermont Pool is largely composed of illiquid assets with no market data. This means there is very little volatility in valuation. Generally, we carry the value of the assets at cost with only periodic adjustments to value when there is external evidence to support a change. For that reason, we don't have the same type of quarterly granularity in reporting returns.



The Vermont Portfolio:

A Fundholder-Centered Place-Based Strategy



We combine long-term, flexible financing with shorter-term catalytic investments supporting critical priorities statewide:

- Affordable Housing & Downtown Revitalization
- Working Landscape & Farmland Succession
- Creating Jobs & Growing Industry: Entrepreneurship & Small Businesses
- Climate Resilience

Each investment advances a specific goal. Together, they form an ecosystem for enduring vitality with an impact that touches every corner of the state.

IMPACT AREAS

2023-2027



EDUCATION & TRAINING

- Strengthening early childhood education and child care
- Increasing access to afterschool and summer learning opportunities
- Addressing college affordability, access, and success
- Providing training and education for the most promising careers



CLIMATE & THE ENVIRONMENT

- Improving land use and the forest economy
- Strengthening farm viability and local/regional food systems
- Protecting climate and environmental justice
- Promoting clean and efficient energy



ECONOMIC EQUITY

- Enabling home ownership and affordable housing
- Supporting place-based economic development
- Providing support for entrepreneurs and small business owners



DEMOCRACY, TRUST, & COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- Engaging Vermonters in decision-making and democracy
- Building trust and connection
- Supporting strong, skilled, representative community leaders
- Exploring new ideas around governance, voting, and elections



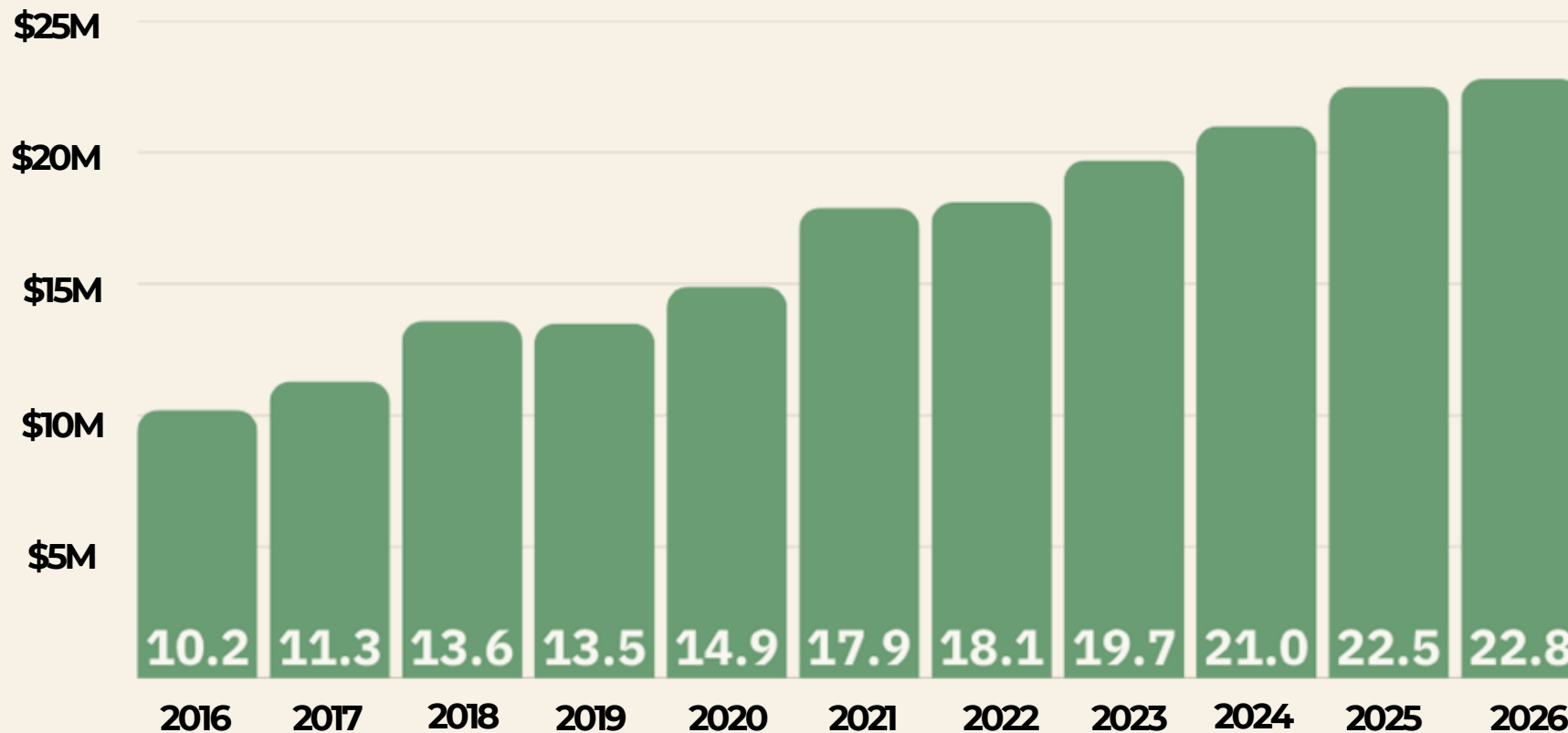
HEALTH & WELLBEING

- Helping youth to thrive
- Caring for older Vermonters
- Ensuring health equity
- Supporting mental health and wellness
- Building social cohesion

**CLOSING THE
OPPORTUNITY
GAP**

Vermont Portfolio

10 Year Growth



**Affordable
Housing**



**Clean & Healthy
Ecosystems**



**Downtown
Revitalization**



Entrepreneurship



**Food
and Farm**

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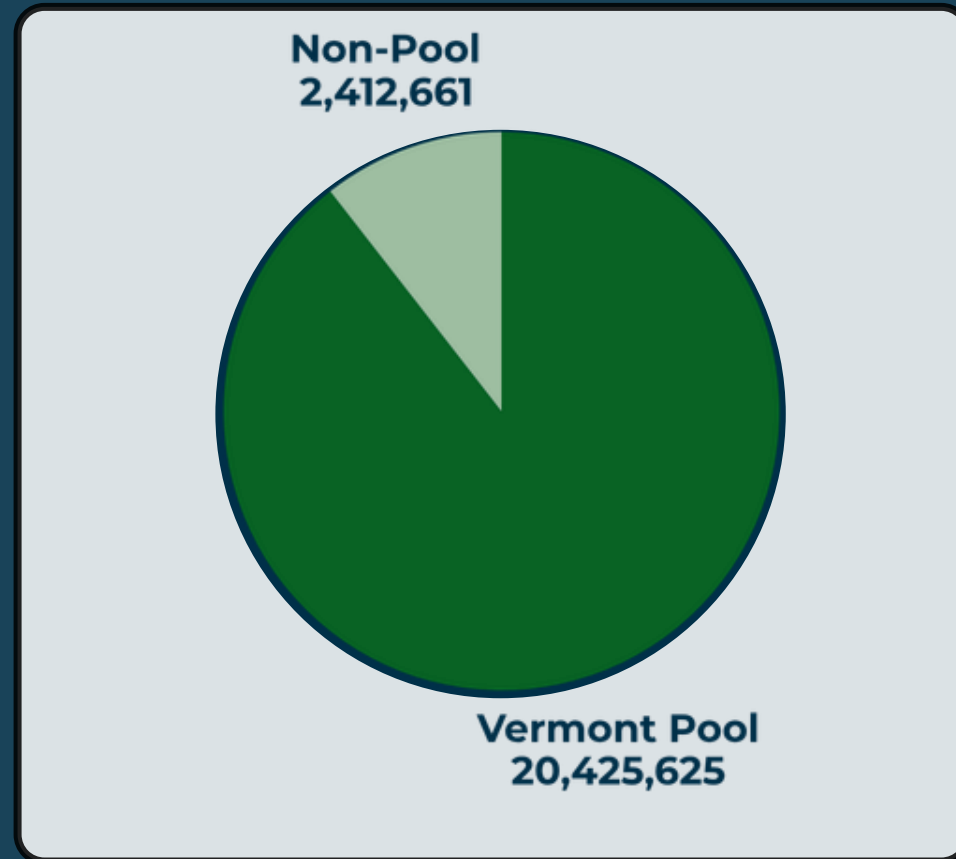
Vermont Pool

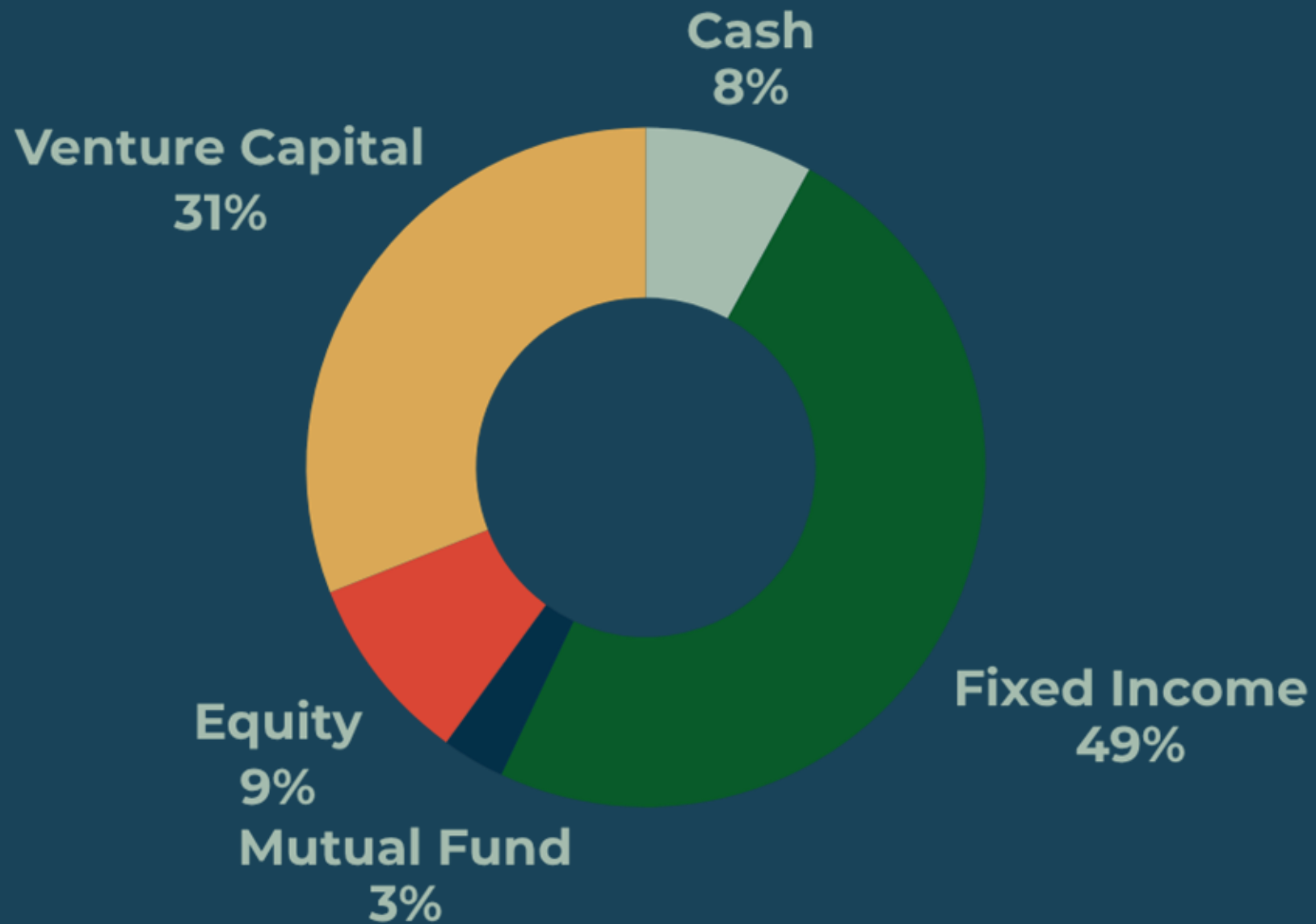
The Vermont Pool is 5% of the VCF total pooled assets intended for place based Vermont investments.



Non-Pool

Mission related investments including follow on investments with DAF partners and absorbed High Meadows and Taproot investments.





Vermont Portfolio

By Investment Partner



Investment Vehicle	Investment Partner	Impact Area						
		Balance	Affordable Housing	Clean Energy & Healthy Ecosystem	Downtown Revitalization	Education	Entrepreneurship	Food and Farm
Cash	1,831,343							
	Vermont Pool Checking	1,831,343						
Fixed Income	11,177,390							
	Bolton Valley - Picnic Loop Development L	439,392	✓				✓	
	Caledonia Co-op	300,288					✓	✓
	Center for an Agricultural Economy	764,918					✓	✓
	Champlain Housing Trust	-	✓					
	Community Capital of Vermont	249,354					✓	
	Cooperative Fund of Northeast	757,438					✓	✓
	HV 2018 Inc.	250,000	✓		✓		✓	
	New Avenue	250,411	✓		✓		✓	
	New School - Montpelier	161,795				✓		
	Northern Forest Fund	606,279	✓		✓		✓	
	Paramount Center	633,510				✓	✓	
	Pittsford Preservation Corp	361,489			✓			✓
	Plainfield Co-op	39,429					✓	✓
	Randolph Area Community Development C	153,051	✓	✓				
	Springfield Regional Development Corpora	394,434						✓
	St. Albans	501,973	✓		✓		✓	
	The Center for Cartoon Studies	304,808			✓	✓	✓	
	Vermont Community Loan Fund	250,453	✓					
	Vermont Energy Investment Corp	192,630		✓				
	Vermont Housing Finance Agency	1,000,000	✓					
	Vermont Land Trust	2,104,959					✓	✓
	Wegbridge Apartments	812,778	✓					
	WheelPad LLC	648,000					✓	



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Equity	2,034,162							
	Bennington Redevelopment Group, LLC	609,000	✓		✓		✓	
	Farmers to You	125,000					✓	✓
	Glavel	349,996		✓			✓	
	High Mowing Seeds	195,449					✓	✓
	Mamava	474,716					✓	
	Primed Clear Diamond	30,000					✓	
	Springfield Co-op	150,000					✓	✓
	Upright - Burlington Code Academy	100,000				✓	✓	
Mutual Fund	715,253							
	Access Capital	715,253	✓				✓	
Venture Capital	7,080,138							
	Borealis	240,388		✓			✓	✓
	Fresh Source	230,199		✓			✓	✓
	Fresh Tracks	2,401,997		✓			✓	✓
	CORI Innovation Fund II	393,276		✓			✓	✓
	Features Capital Fund	347,316		✓			✓	✓
	RuralWorks	83,286		✓			✓	✓
	Solaffect Solar EY Charger Fund I	240,439		✓			✓	
	Taproot Capital Fund	837,265		✓			✓	✓
	The Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund, Inc	800,000		✓			✓	✓
	YCF at Hula, LP	1,505,973		✓			✓	✓
Total Portfolio	22,838,286							



Affordable Housing



Clean & Healthy Ecosystems



Downtown Revitalization



Entrepreneurship



Food and Farm

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Recent Activity

- The [Plainfield Co-op](#) paid off the last of their loan acquiring Plainfield Hardware
- The [Caledonia Co-op](#) opened for business, and started paying down as pledges are received
- Champlain Housing Trust paid off two loans
 - Conversion of St. Joseph's to the [Old North End Community Center](#) (2017)
 - Acquisition of [Dorset Commons](#) – 105 Apartments (2018)
 - What to watch – redevelopment of the O'Brien Community Center in Winooski
- VHFA paid off the short-term portion of our seed funding for the [Housing Investments for Vermont Fund](#) (HIVE) (2020)
- [Pittsford Village Farm](#) Phase 1 is substantially complete, the Rutland County Parent Child Center operating the early childhood education program and the two apartments are ready for residents!
- Housing Research



Investment Focus

Red Clover Fund I LP



SEEDING THE NEXT
GENERATION OF
FEMALE FOUNDERS.



We're building the first
by women, for women
venture fund in
Vermont.

Red Clover Venture Partners is
launching a \$10M early-stage fund
in Burlington, VT, to back female
founders in the US. Our
multi-generational team will
leverage decades of Meg's
fundraising for women and girls
and Nikkie's entrepreneurial and
operator experience to build a high
performing and enduring fund.

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in female founders.. Join us.*

Meg Smith and Nikkie Kent standing in front of the
place they met, a woman owned, community hub,
The Old Brick Store, in Charlotte Vermont.

Mission

We're on a mission to empower and elevate women entrepreneurs by providing strategic funding, mentorship and resources to drive innovation and growth.

Vision

For a more equal opportunity entrepreneurial landscape.

Where women can invest in women owned businesses that are innovating with women in mind.



The Problem
Under-Funded

17%

decision makers at
US VC Funds are
women

Under-Valued

2%

of VC dollars go to
women founders
businesses

Under-estimated

10%

of Fortune 500 CEO's
are women



Investment Focus

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“We’ll invest in businesses that are founded, led or co-led by a woman. These start-ups will all have venture scale potential with a \$25M+ exit opportunity. While our investments will be business agnostic so as not to limit our potential, we plan to fund women founders that are filling market gaps in new categories that require more patient capital. This will likely be a product or service that improves outcomes, access, infrastructure and support for women. Based on our expertise we will likely lean into businesses selling B2B and in the sectors of women’s health, FamTech, FemTech and the Care Economy and Sustainability.”



Mission Investment Funds

- **Northern Forest Fund II**
- **Flexible Capital Fund II**
- **Red Clover Fund I**
- **VCF at Hula**
- **Vermont Pool**





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