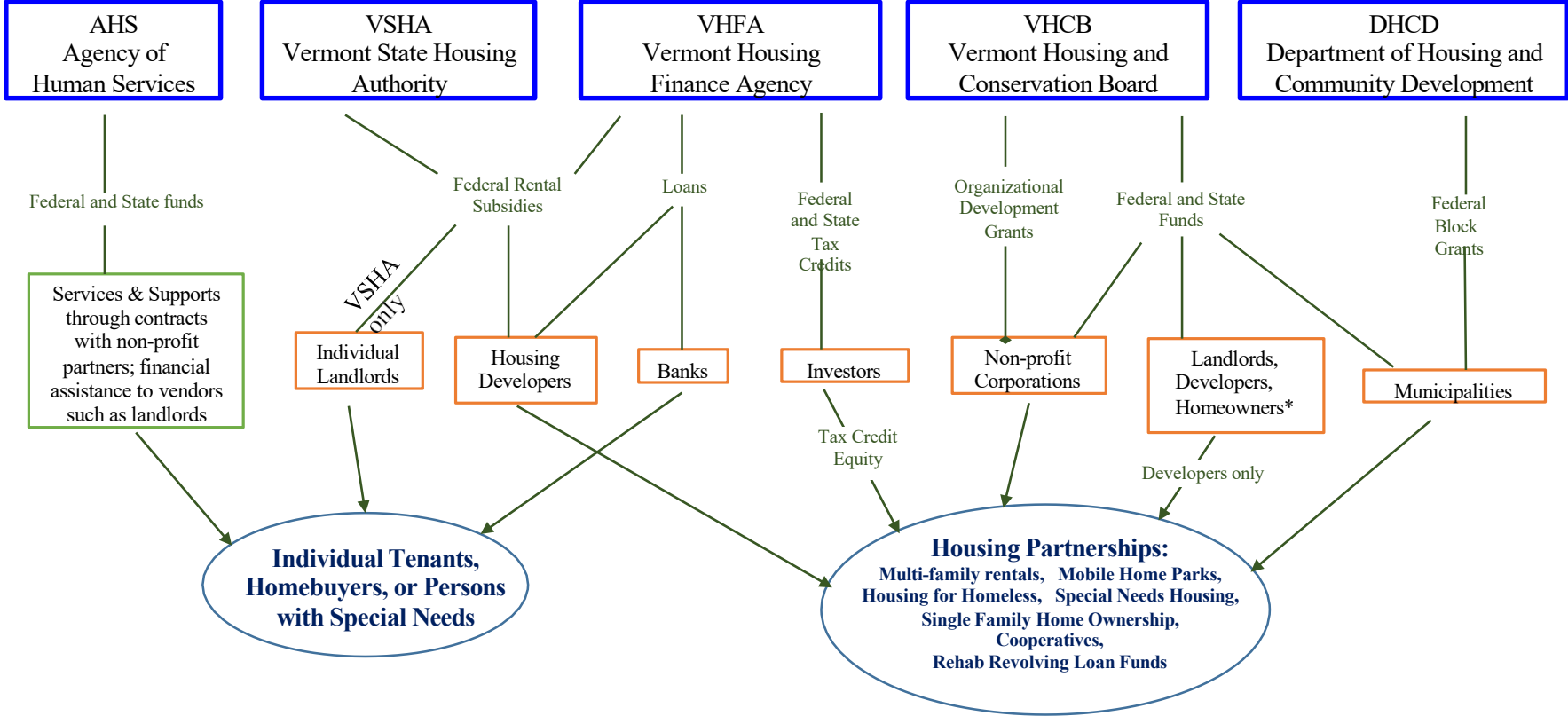




Housing 101: State Housing Policy

State Housing Agencies in Vermont



* Federal Lead Hazard Abatement and HOME Programs

State Housing

Agencies & Resources

- AHS
 - Emergency Solutions Grants*
 - Supports and Services
- VSHA
 - Rental Subsidies: HCV
- VHFA
 - Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC)
- VHCB
 - Property Transfer Tax
 - HOME Investment Partnership*
 - National Housing Trust Fund*
- DHCD
 - Community Development Block Grant*
 - Municipal Planning Grants

*included in Consolidated Plan



State Housing

Consolidated Plan [\(link\)](#)

Outlines spending priorities of HUD funds
5 year plan with annual

Pre-planning requirements include:

- [Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing](#)
- [Vermont Housing Needs Assessment](#)
 - www.housingdata.org/profile/



State Housing

Policies & Priorities

- Affordability – often perpetual
- Accessibility
- Health
- Historic Preservation
- Energy Efficiency
- Location Efficiency
 - Smart Growth

Smart Growth



To plan development so as to maintain the historic settlement pattern of compact village and urban centers separated by rural countryside.

24 V.S.A. 4302 Goals



COORDINATED PLANNING



State Planning Goals

The state has 14 specific planning goals.



Regional Plans

Regional plans must be consistent with the state planning goals.



Municipal Plans

In order to have a regionally approved plan, municipal plans must be compatible with the regional plan and consistent with the state planning goals.



The 5 Designations



Civic and Commercial Core Designations



Village Centers (Est. 2002)



Downtowns (Est. 1998)



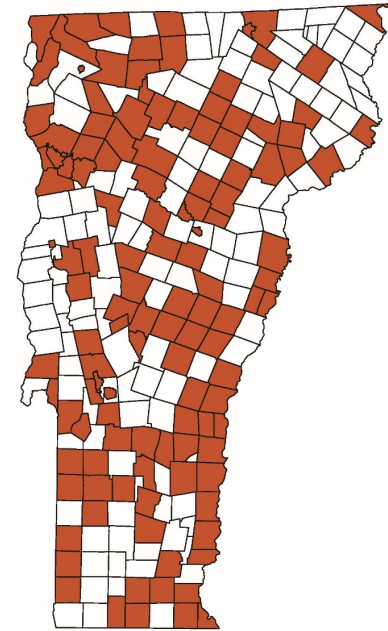
New Town Centers (Est. 2002)



Neighborhood Development Areas (Est. 2013)



Growth Centers (Est. 2006)





Designation

Tax Incentives/Credits

Regulatory Incentives

Granting Prioritization

Funding

Municipal Planning Grants

Bylaw Modernization Grants

Resources

Municipal Planning Manual

Enabling Better Places Guide

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Housing Discrimination Under the Fair Housing Act

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- **Who is protected:** prohibits discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability
- What **types of housing** are covered: Housing discrimination is illegal in nearly all housing, including private housing, public housing and housing that receives federal funding.
- **Examples of discrimination:** unequal treatment in renting, lending and advertising.

Housing Discrimination: Vermont's Protections

Federal:

- Race
- Color
- National origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Familial status
- Disability

Vermont:

- Sexual Orientation
- Gender Identity
- Age (limited exceptions)
- Marital Status
- Receipt of Public Assistance
- Victims of Domestic Violence, Stalking, or Sexual Assault



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