Headlines from the Future

Smart governance led by grassroots organization decreases addiction, increases renewable energy, improves educational opportunity, and preserves the environment.

September 15, 2022: Vermont scores 20% higher on happiness index due to more inclusive race, age, gender, accessibility, religion, voter participation, and other indicators!

Vermont becomes the first fully self-actualized state for all lifeforms.

September 15, 2028: Vision for Vermont resource centers provide free education, focused on, inclusion, representation, and accessibility.

September 15, 2030: Vermont completes transition to universal basic income!

Vermont’s example of guaranteeing just, sustainable, and equitable communities through economic transformation inspires the world.

October 2022: Vermont implements biocentric economy (“environment comes first), begins using General Progress Index.

September 15, 2023: Vermont puts Gross National Happiness measure before Gross National Product.

Vermont adopts the golden rule as State Constitution; lawmakers heed call for more compassion.

September 15, 2020: recent polls show that attitudes of Vermonters towards care of humans and the earth have reached a greater sense of unity.

September 15, 2024: Vermont residents no longer required to pay percentage of federal taxes dedicated to the military; extra money will raise the quality of life for all and encourage young people to return to Vermont.

September 15, 2025: Vermont is an exemplar of systems, structures, values, habits, and relationships that affirm and respect all life.

November 10, 2024: Vermont Congresswoman celebrates state population reaching 750,000.

May 1, 2024: Vermont universal healthcare, first in nation, turns profit; young people flock to Vermont.

August 8, 2025: Vermont figures out how to end poverty, keep water clean, maintain sustainability and growth, emphasize local food and energy, and keep young people in the state.

September 2025: Vermont becomes a model for economic, ecological and community sustainability.

January 1, 2050: the happiest, healthiest, wisest people live in Vermont; poll shows Vermont leads nation in education, empathy, welfare, healthcare, and equity.

January 2020: Vermont first state to achieve universal healthcare.

September 15, 2025: Vermont economic engine becomes carbon neutral.

September 15 2030: North America follows Vermont’s model for successful, empowered communities building a world that works for all.