

FY 2012 Appropriation Request to the State of Vermont

UVM General Appropriation and Morgan Horse Farm

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The University of Vermont's mission is to create, evaluate, share, and apply knowledge and to prepare students to be accountable leaders who will bring to their work dedication to the global community, a grasp of complexity, effective problem-solving and communication skills, and an enduring commitment to learning and ethical conduct. Chartered in 1791, the same year that Vermont became the fourteenth state in the Union, the University of Vermont was established as the fifth college in New England. It became the state's land-grant institution in 1865, when it was merged with the Vermont Agricultural College that had been formed one year earlier in accord with provisions of the Morrill Act. In 1955, the General Assembly recognized the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College "as an instrumentality of the State for providing public higher education." Previous to that recognition, Vermont had annually appropriated funds specifically to the College of Medicine and to the Agricultural Services and had appropriated tuition scholarship funds for Vermont residents in certain fields of study.

Beginning in 1956, new funding subsidizing the cost of educating Vermont students was added to the appropriations going to the College of Medicine and Agricultural Services. From that date forward, the statutory requirement is that in-state tuition cannot exceed 40% of the out-of-state tuition rate.

#### DESCRIPTION OF APPROPRIATIONS, DIVISIONS, and PROGRAMS

The University of Vermont is comprised of seven separate undergraduate colleges and schools (the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education and Social Services, the College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, the School of Business Administration, the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources), the Graduate College, the College of Medicine, the Honors College, the Extension System, and the Division of Continuing Education that operate statewide and nationally. The University offers a rich environment for research, scholarship, and creative work in many realms of human inquiry, sharing the excitement and fruits of investigation and discovery with students and society.

The University lives out its mission through teaching, research, and service. This tri-parte mission supports a full range of inquiry and application within the University and in the broader community. The University of Vermont is unique in the Vermont educational system because of its comprehensive and complex offerings. The University is involved not only in undergraduate education but also to a significant extent in graduate and professional education, research, and public service activities. These high level and complex educational opportunities which are vital for the welfare of this state are more costly than are programs of institutions that do not offer degrees in, for example, engineering, medicine, clinical health programs, advanced science, or agriculture. These areas, as well as the general educational mission of the University of Vermont, are critical for Vermont's well-being in the future.

#### **OUTCOMES**

Currently, the purpose of the state base appropriation is to:

- Support the College of Medicine's education of medical students;
- Fund the teaching, research, and public service activities of Extension, the Agricultural Experiment Station, and the related agricultural services;
- Subsidize tuition rates for Vermonters, but at a level that does not cover costs; and,
- Provide matching funds for the VT Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR).

State funding of the University of Vermont's base state appropriation will allow the University to continue to provide these services.

The University stresses the importance of educating individuals, thereby providing the State with strong leadership, good citizens, entrepreneurship, and social responsibility. In addition to high quality education, the University of Vermont is a distinguished, comprehensive research institution of nationally renowned reputation—a critical driver for enhancing the State's economy, health, and well-being. The newly-educated professionals entering the workforce, research dollars generated, the businesses created, and the hundreds of millions of dollars brought into Vermont from other states and countries by the University of Vermont are essential to Vermont's future vitality.

#### *The University of Vermont: Educating Vermonters*

- Vermonters comprise 39.3% of the University's student body (fall 2010: 5,324 Vermonters out of a total enrollment of 13,554)
- The University is attracting academically strong Vermont students from all parts of the State.
- First to second year retention for Vermont students is currently 91%, and the graduation rate for Vermonters in May 2010 was 80.4%.
- The University supports Vermonters through academic scholarships including: Vermont Scholarships for students in the top tier of their high school classes; Green and Gold Scholarships for the top student in each Vermont public high school and select private high schools; and, Vermont Merit Scholarships for high-achieving Vermonters who qualify as National Merit Scholars, National Achievement, and National Hispanic Scholars.
- The University also supports Vermonters through institutional grant aid based on financial need. Approximately 85% of Vermont undergraduates will receive some form of financial aid, scholarships or grants, this year. For academic year 2008-2009, the University began ensuring that the tuition and fees for all Vermonters eligible for Federal PELL grants were met without loans. In addition to state and

federal support, almost \$16 million in grant and scholarship aid from the University's own funds went to Vermonters in FY 2010. Starting in FY 2008, the University began awarding financial aid from the Next Generation scholarship funds.

 The University provides continuing education to more than 8,500 individuals from Vermont and beyond.

## The University of Vermont: A Research Enterprise to the State

- In FY 2010, UVM was awarded \$145.9 million in grants and contracts.
- In FY 2010 87% of grant and contract funding came from out-of-state sources
- University spin-off companies as a result of intellectual property generated at UVM include: Apollo Bioscience, Plomics, Stromatec, TeleMedTest, Vermedx, Vermont Natural Coatings, PhosphoReduc, Costa Enterprises, Microgen, and Green Mountain Spark. In addition, the following companies did not have UVM intellectual property but were founded by UVM faculty: Bio-Tek Instruments, Haematologic Technologies, Green Mountain Antibodies, Rowing Innovations, Inc., and Vermont Soy.
- One million dollars (\$1M) in FY 2007 one-time funds was invested in agriculture and environmental innovations, advanced engineering and technology, and public knowledge programs. In FY 2011, \$118,750 appropriated from the Next Generation fund was used by the University's technology transfer program to help bring University research innovations to the marketplace.
- The Vermont Business Center, a partnership between the School of Business Administration and Continuing Education, provides executive and professional education for Vermont employers, and the Center's Family Business Initiative offers support to small businesses.
- The University supports Vermont agriculture through research-based programs such as the Proctor Maple Laboratory, the Center for Sustainable Agriculture, the Center for Rural Studies, and a partnership with the non-profit Center for an Agricultural Economy.

#### The University of Vermont: Service to Vermont

- UVM students perform more than 110,000 hours of community and internship service annually.
- Medical, nursing, and allied health students help to meet a broad range of health care needs in communities throughout the State. Physician graduates of UVM/Fletcher Allen programs account for 41% of Vermont's primary care doctors, and 35% of all physicians practicing in Vermont.
- Education and information are provided in Vermont communities with more than 850 significant educational programs focusing on issues important to Vermonters. The University's Extension programs make over 50,000 direct contacts annually, including 8,300 youth, through workshops, consultations and various other educational events.
- The University's George Bishop Lane Series, among Vermont's premier presenters of performing arts, entertained over 10,000 patrons last year.
- Keep Local Farms (KLF) is part of a broad effort to stabilize and enhance milk prices paid to dairy farmers in the Northeast -while also helping to secure the farms of today for future generations. KLF has identified The University of Vermont and Sodexo as key partners in this effort due to their commitment to environmental stewardship and their recognition as leaders in sustainability and social responsibility. 10 cents from the sale of all single serve Hood milk has been collected and transferred to the Keep Local Farms program in support of New England dairy farmers. Since the launch of this initiative to June 2010 \$4,800.00 has been raised to aid these farms.
- The University and the Windham Foundation have developed a collaborative model to make academic and cultural resources available in the Grafton, Vermont area and the southern part of the state. Together, they have facilitated presentations in the Grafton area by faculty members as well as other speakers who visit campus. These presentations have been consistent with the Windham Foundation's mission to promote the vitality of Vermont's rural communities, and have included topics such as land use, economic development, agriculture, energy, and natural resources. The series will continue to support the Windham Foundation's mission as well as creating an awareness of the resources the University can provide to the state, including the expertise of its faculty, staff, alumni and other constituents.

#### The University of Vermont: A Major Vermont Industry

- Over 29,000 alumni -- 30% of all UVM graduates -- reside in Vermont and contribute to their communities. Their earnings are estimated at \$1.5 billion annually.
- The University of Vermont is the fourth largest employer in the state. Almost 3,800 employees will receive wages and benefits of almost \$368 million this year.
- The direct and indirect economic impact of the University, faculty, staff, student, and visitor spending in Vermont is estimated at over a billion dollars annually.
- Since the beginning of 2005, the University has invested \$348 million in 42 major capital construction projects.
- The University's total operating budget for FY 2010 was \$582 million. This resulted in a **14 to 1 return** on the state's base appropriation of \$40.7 million.

The competition for high quality students is intense. In order to remain competitive, the University must make additional strategic investments to:

- · Nurture and promote a reputation for academic excellence,
- · Recruit and retain high quality faculty and staff,
- · Construct and maintain excellent facilities,
- · Invest in state-of-the art technology, and
- · Provide adequate financial aid for students who need it.

These investments will allow the University of Vermont to maintain its position as a distinguished institution of higher learning, critical to the long-term economic security and overall vitality of Vermont. The University's plan to improve its competitive position involves strategic cost reductions, focused academic programming, and garnering additional resources from multiple sources including planned growth in the student body, private giving, and sponsored research. Increased State investment is another key source of support and will be critical to our success.

# STATE OF VERMONT FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS University of Vermont

## UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT APPROPRIATION SUMMARY BY MAJOR OBJECT

|                                  | FY 2010      | FY 2011      |                          | FY 2012               |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Appropriation                    | Actual       | Appropriated | Estimated<br>Expenditure | University<br>Request |
| University of Vermont (Gen Fund) | \$36,740,468 | \$36,740,473 | \$36,740,473             | \$39,328,117          |
| Global Commitment                | \$4,006,156  | \$4,006,156  | \$4,006,156              | \$4,006,156           |
| TOTAL                            | \$40,746,624 | \$40,746,629 | \$40,746,629             | \$43,334,273          |
| One-Time Appropriation           | \$5,175,298  | \$2,587,644  | \$2,587,644              | \$0                   |
| FUND TYPE<br>General Fund        | \$45,921,922 | \$43,334,273 | \$43,334,273             | \$43,334,273          |
| TOTAL                            | \$45,921,922 | \$43,334,273 | \$43,334,273             | \$43,334,273          |

## STATE OF VERMONT FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS UVM - Morgan Horse Farm

#### UVM-MORGAN HORSE FARM APPROPRIATION SUMMARY BY MAJOR OBJECT

|   | FY 2010      | FY 2011      |                          | FY 2012               |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Appropriation                                     | Actual       | Appropriated | Estimated<br>Expenditure | University<br>Request |
| UVM-Morgan Horse Farm Grants<br>Rescission (100%) | \$1<br>(\$1) | \$1          | \$1                      | \$1                   |
| TOTAL   | \$0          | \$1          | \$1                      | \$1                   |
| FUND TYPE<br>General Fund                         | \$0          | \$1          | \$1                      | \$1                   |
| TOTAL   | \$0          | \$1          | \$1                      | \$1                   |
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## **MORGAN HORSE FARM**

The Morgan Horse Farm was established in 1878 by Joseph Battell of Middlebury, who in 1907 deeded the farm to the U.S Government. In 1951, the Government turned the farm over to the University of Vermont. The University operates the Morgan Horse Farm as a center for the improvement of the Morgan Horse, Vermont's state animal and source of outstanding stock to Morgan breeders throughout the country. The farm also serves as an educational facility for use by University classes in animal science, 4-H clubs, adult horse groups, and breeding associations. The farm, which is open to the public, provides information to horse breeders and others on horse care, breeding, and training. It is largely supported by contributions, admission fees, and the sale of horses, and was the recipient of a Federal grant through the Department of the Interior's "Save America's Treasures" program. In the 57 years that the University has been custodian of the farm, it has produced over 80 national and world champions. The UVM Morgan Horse Farm is a symbol of excellence and a tribute to the role of the Morgan horse in the history of the state and the nation.