

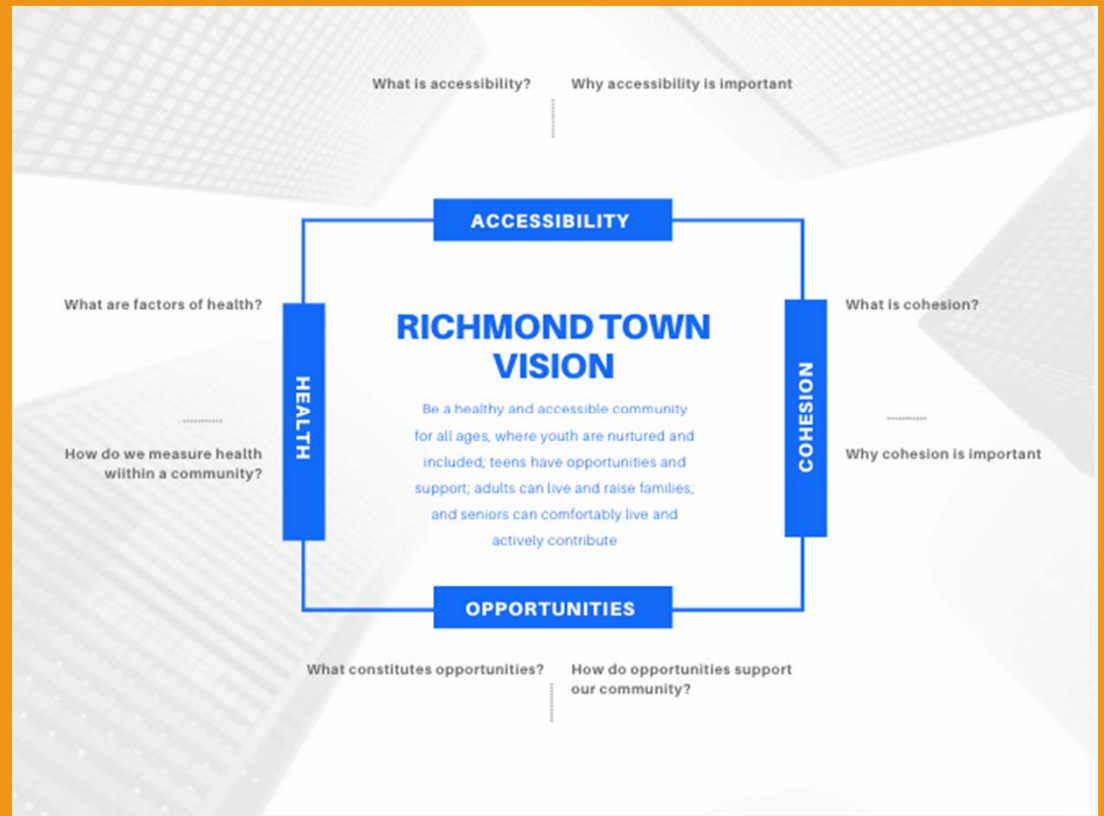
Richmond, Vermont

DASH Grant Overview

Important Components for Grant Completion

- Connection with Ravi and Stefani
- Mentor Calls
- Connection with RiseVT
- Surveys
- Attendance for Committee Meetings
- Presentations to Boards
- Air Table Generation
- Non-Profit Data Organization
- Research on Social Cohesion
- Eventual Formation of a New Recreation Committee
- Website improvement conversations

Richmond Town Vision



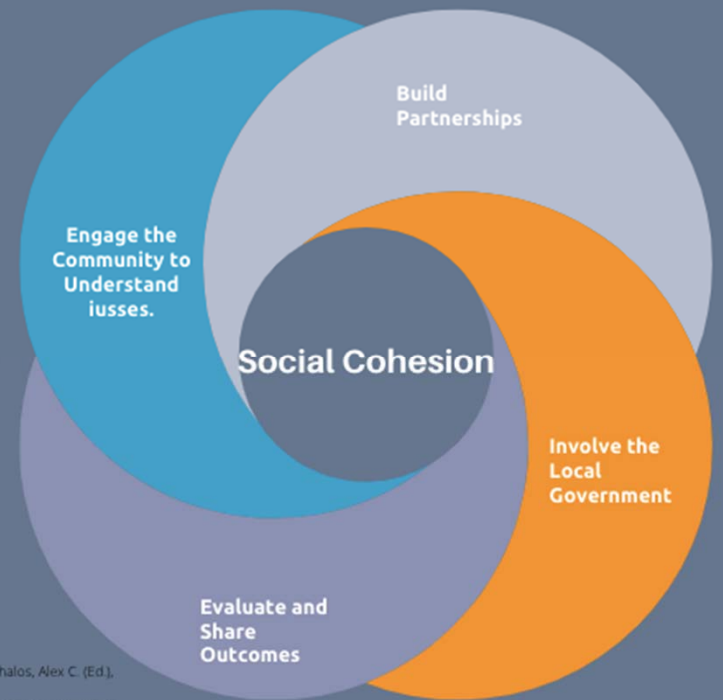
What is Social Cohesion

Elements of a Healthy Community

Focus on Social Cohesion

The bond between community members and the overall sense of belonging to a community is defined as social cohesion. Social cohesion is a process, not a single event, and it works to identify and eliminate social and economic fractures, inequalities, or disparities within a community (Manca, 2014).

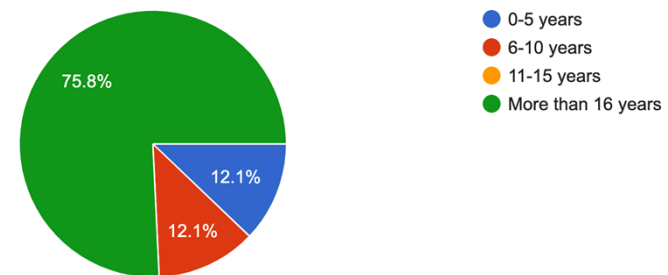
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Key Highlights and Findings

Richmond residents who feel a strong connection to our town and who have lived here for a substantial amount of time are deeply invested in improvements and sharing ideas.

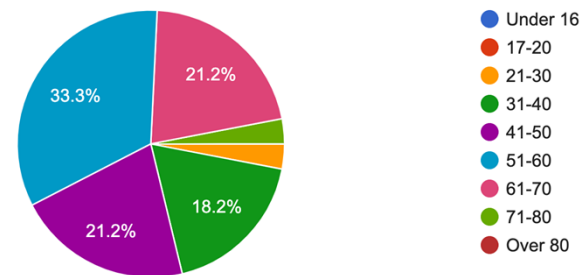
How long have you been a resident in Richmond?
33 responses



Key Highlights and Findings

More survey responses were gathered from residents ages 41 and older.

What age bracket best describes you?
33 responses



Key Highlights and Findings

94% of respondents believe they have, might have, or would be willing to explore whether they have skills and gifts to offer the community.

I have skills to offer my community
33 responses



Key Highlights and Findings

Over 80% of respondent are involved already in some organization in our community.

I am a part of one or more community organizations
33 responses



Other Data- Our Strengths

Town Plan Action Language

Themes

Richmond Committees/Depart...

Community Organization Supporting the Action Step

Support public health programs and resources in and outside of Richmond by ensuring that town policies and regulations allow for their presence, the development of healthcare and critical ...

Health Accessibility
Community Engagement

Select Board
Planning Commission
Economic Development Committee
RICHMOND HEALTH OFFICER
RICHMOND RESCUE BOARD OF DI...

RiseVT Richmond Family Medicine
Richmond Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine
Howard Center Vermont Department of Health
MMUUSD Western Slopes Business Association

Continue to support Richmond's schools and other educational opportunities for residents

Opportunities of Support for Youth
Community Engagement Inclusion of Youth

Recreation Committee
Town Center and Library Committee

Cochrans Ski Area Inc Mansfield Cooperative OCCC
Radiate Art Space Richmond Free Library MMUUSD
richmond community kitchen PROSPER
Mr. G programming UVM 4-H Extension
Vermont Department of Health

Other Data- Our Needs

Town Plan Action Language

Themes

Richmond Committees/Depart...

Community Organization Supporting the Action Step

Support mentoring, internships or community-based learning opportunities when possible

Inclusion of Youth

Opportunities of Support for Youth

Community Engagement

Aged Population Engagement Health

VYCC Farm

VYCC

UVM 4-H Extension

Support the Richmond Farmers' Market and other local agricultural business enterprises

Accessibility Affordability of Living

Community Engagement

Support public health programs and resources in and outside of Richmond by ensuring town policies allow for their presence and the development of critical facilities

Health Accessibility

Select Board

Howard Center RiseVT

Vermont Department of Health

Research on Recreation Committees Supporting Social Cohesion

- The following links show the research behind strong recreation committees and social cohesion
 - [Complete Communities Toolbox](#)
 - [How Can Recreation Strengthen My Community](#)