



Bennington County Regional Commission

**Annual Meeting - Thursday - May 15, 2025
5:30 PM
The Dorset Inn**

8 Church Street - Dorset, VT 05251

You are invited to join us for the Annual Meeting of the Bennington County Regional Commission. This event provides an opportunity for BCRC commissioners and staff to gather with local officials, businesses, and residents as we highlight the Commission's work in community and economic development. This year's meeting will be at The Dorset Inn. The evening will begin with a cocktail hour and a delicious buffet of heavy appetizers. Networking and food will be followed by a brief report on BCRC's activities, presentation of this year's Bongartz Award—given each year in recognition of an individual who exemplifies the best in community planning and service - and a presentation by **Ted Brady**. Ted is the Executive Director of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, where he oversees programs and staff dedicated to serving and strengthening Vermont local government.

Agenda

- 5:30 PM - Social Hour/Cash Bar/Heavy Appetizer Buffet
- 6:15 PM - Director's Report
- 6:30 PM - Bongartz Award Presentation
- 6:40 PM - Featured Speaker: Ted Brady, Executive Director, Vermont League of Cities and Towns
- 7:30 PM - Adjourn

Featured Speaker - Ted Brady

Ted Brady is the Executive Director of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT). VLCT is a statewide non-profit, nonpartisan organization founded in 1967 with the mission of serving and strengthening Vermont local government. VLCT offers support, knowledge, representation, insurance and connection to its members.

Before VLCT, Ted served as the Deputy Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Vermont and New Hampshire State Director for USDA Rural Development and as a community and economic development liaison in U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy's office, both in Washington, D.C. and in Vermont.

Ted lives in Williston with his wife, Vermont Rep. Erin Brady, and their two children. He spends his free time musing about the future of Vermont while fishing, skiing and enjoying the Green Mountains.

Bongartz Award Presentation

The Bongartz Award for Community Service has been awarded by the BCRC, beginning in 1997, to a person who has "demonstrated ideals, beliefs and excellence in community planning and service." This year the Bongartz Award will be presented to dedicated BCRC Commissioner, and wearer of many hats in Sandgate, Sheila Kearns.

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Number Attending: _____

Names: _____

Please register your attendance by replying to Amanda Stevens at the BCRC: astevens@bcrcvt.org
or 802-442-0713 ext 0

Or by returning this form to: BCRC - 210 South Street, Suite 6 - Bennington, VT 05201

*** Cost per person is \$25; payment in advance is appreciated (checks payable to BCRC).**

Please RSVP no later than May 10th.