VTCAC Member Recruitment - Citizen-at-Large Vacancy

The <u>Vermont Citizens Advisory Committee on Lake Champlain's Future (VTCAC)</u> is recruiting one member to serve in the committee's vacant Citizen-at-Large seat. The VTCAC is a diverse group of community members, lake advocates, business representatives, farmers, and legislators united through their interest in a clean, healthy Lake Champlain. The 14-member committee (ten community members and four state legislators) provides an opportunity for diverse interests to work together to develop an action agenda for improving water quality and enhancing the natural, cultural, recreational, and economic resources of the Lake Champlain Basin. VTCAC members are charged with submitting an annual report to the Vermont General Assembly that maps out recommended actions to protect the integrity of the lake. The VTCAC meets regularly as an organization and annually with New York and Quebec CACs to discuss issues of mutual concern and to advise the Lake Champlain Steering Committee. The Lake Champlain Steering Committee guides the Lake Champlain Basin Program and is responsible for implementing the Lake Champlain Management Plan "Opportunities for Action."

Responsibilities

- Communicate the committee's work and values to the community, represent the community, and act as a spokesperson
- Attend at least 75% of regularly scheduled meetings (typically held the 2nd Monday of the month from 5-7pm), sub-committee meetings, and special events
- Read all meeting materials in advance and arrive prepared at meetings
- Active participation in the development of the annual action plan

Time Commitment

~3 hours per month for three years (plus additional time for other committee roles)

Compensation

 Committee members are eligible for a \$50 per diem for meeting attendance and meeting travel expenses, where applicable.

Application Process & Timeline

- Review the <u>VTCAC Member Manual.</u>
- **DUE February 29**th: Submit a resume and brief letter of interest (no longer than 1 page) to the Citizens Advisory Committee Coordinator, Katie Darr kdarr@lcbp.org. Your resume and interest letter should include:
 - o how you meet the membership qualifications below;
 - how you envision your participation will contribute to the VTCAC's goal of a thriving Lake Champlain Ecosystem;
 - o experience or interest in supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives.
- DUE March 29th: Submit an application through the Vermont Boards & Commissions Appointments
- The committee will review submitted materials and submit their endorsement for prospective members to the Agency of Natural Resources.

Membership Qualifications:

- Has experience related to water quality, land use, natural resource management, environmental justice, fish and wildlife, agriculture, education, recreation, cultural heritage, economics and business or other disciplines related to the Lake Champlain Basin
- Resident of the Vermont portion of the Lake Champlain watershed with a strong personal interest in the future of the Lake Champlain watershed
- Is willing and able to attend regular meetings