

## Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*All memberships are renewed in January. If you are submitting your fee January – June the cost is \$10 for an individual membership or \$30 for an organizational membership (up to 5 employees listed in the VSDP directory), July – December, the cost is \$5/\$15.*

**Please enclose an additional sheet of paper** with the following information on it with your membership form and fee:

1. What sorts of data do you develop, maintain, or use?
2. What data are you looking for?
3. What data development projects are you planning (that could benefit from partners...)?
4. Additional members you would like to include under this membership (if applicable).

**Please make your check payable to VCGI and send it to the VSDP at:**

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# Vermont Spatial Data Partnership

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*An informal association of spatial data stakeholders committed to improving the geographic information system (GIS) in Vermont*

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## ***Origins***

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✿ ***The Vermont Spatial Data Partnership (VSDP)*** grew out of the VT Center for Geographic Information, Inc.'s (VCGI) recognition that members of the GIS community benefit from getting together to exchange ideas, knowledge, and data. The VSDP was created as an informal association of spatial data stakeholders committed to improving GIS in Vermont through ***networking and information exchange***.

✿ ***The creation of geospatial data can be an expensive and lengthy process.*** The VSDP hopes to eliminate duplication of effort by increasing communication between stakeholders.

## ***Purpose***

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The purpose of the VSDP is to inspire and sustain a culture that values, creates, and uses high quality spatial data in Vermont.

***The VSDP's objectives are to:***

- ✿ Improve Data Use
- ✿ Improve Data Development and Maintenance
- ✿ Improve Communication
- ✿ Enhance Education

## ***Actions Sponsored***

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- ✿ Periodic information meetings
- ✿ Awareness-raising or educational workshops
- ✿ Collection of input from members which is then transmitted to VCGI Board of Directors, Technical Advisory Committee, and staff

## ***Get in the Loop!***

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✿ ***The VSDP welcomes all interested*** individuals and organizations that work with or care about spatial data in Vermont.

Members can participate in the VSDP in a variety of different ways. There are volunteer Steering Committee members who help organize the Roundtables, solicit input from the membership, and identify issues that are important to the VT GIS Community. Members can also simply partake of the benefits of membership and help set the direction of the VT geographic information system.

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## ***Membership Benefits***

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- ✿ ***Education:*** periodic information meetings called Roundtables will be held to allow technical and non-technical interchange among participants. Members will receive a 10% discount on registration fees.
- ✿ ***Involvement:*** members will be asked to provide feedback to the VCGI TAC and the VCGI Board of Directors as issues arise.
- ✿ ***Networking:*** members receive a periodically updated contact list of VSDP members which also contains information about what data they have/need, and what projects they are working on.
- ✿ ***Discounts:*** members receive discounts on ESRI Press books which are sold via the ESRI web site, as well as on trainings offered at the Danvers, MA office.

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*Current members represent many sectors in Vermont GIS:*

*Regional Planning Commissions  
Major Utilities  
Environmental Consulting Firms  
Federal and State Agencies  
Nonprofit Organizations  
Towns  
Schools  
Colleges/Universities*

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