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Valerie Capels Town of Bristol P.O. Box 249 Bristol, VT 05443

Dear Valerie,

Thank you for your continued participation and investment in the Addison County Chamber of Commerce. It's been a tough year – an understatement for sure! We've been working hard to support ACCOC members and the community through the challenges brought on by the pandemic, and your support is the only reason we're still here. **Thanks to you**, we are:

- Responding to the COVID-19 crisis in our community with added communications, policy and funding work with legislators, support of individual members with specific issues, promoting members with take-out and re-opening news, and collaborating with other organizations on joint communications and ongoing participation in the Addison County Recovery Team and Marketing Team.
- Presenting educational seminars every month, including special COVID-19-related town halls.
- Adapting our monthly networking mixers to continue encouraging colleagues to connect in an entertaining way, both virtually, and outdoors when possible.
- Bringing much-needed economic stimulus programs to our local businesses in partnership with our three downtown partnerships.
- Meeting with members to provide support through one-on-one meetings, marketing consults, and assistance with strategic plans. Despite current circumstances, we still brought over 40 new organizations into membership at ACCOC.
- Partnering with UWAC and Sarah Audet Consulting to host seminars on topics of importance to non-profits, including issues around the COVID-19 crisis.
- Applying grant dollars to reduce the membership dues of businesses that are struggling.

We will be sending out your renewal notice next month, but in the meantime **please contact us** if you would like to meet with Rob virtually, by phone or in person to discuss your membership, your business needs and/or the community. We look forward to hearing from you, and to your continued support of the Chamber and our community.

Sincerely,

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Rob Carter Executive Director

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