

*The Vermont Commission on Women would like to know about the most important issues facing women in Vermont. We are doing this survey to learn about what is working well, and what is not working well. Anything you share with us will help us understand how we can best help women in Vermont.*

*Your answers to this survey are completely anonymous and confidential. Nobody will know what answers you gave, so you can feel free to tell us whatever you want.*

This survey can also be taken online: [women.vermont.gov](http://women.vermont.gov)

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1. Which of these issues are areas of concern for you and your family? (circle all that apply)

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| 1.1. Alimony                       | 1.7.8. <i>Sexual orientation</i> | 1.20. Paid family and medical leave  |
| 1.2. Child care                    | 1.7.9. <i>Tribal status</i>      | 1.21. Public safety                  |
| 1.3. Child support                 | 1.7.10. <i>Other</i> _____       | 1.22. Racism                         |
| 1.4. Citizenship status            | 1.8. Divorce                     | 1.23. Retirement                     |
| 1.5. Difficulty finding a good job | 1.9. Domestic violence           | 1.24. Sexual harassment              |
| 1.6. Disability                    | 1.10. Education                  | 1.25. Sexual violence                |
| 1.7. Discrimination (based on):    | 1.11. English language learning  | 1.26. Starting or running a business |
| 1.7.1. <i>Age</i>                  | 1.12. Health care                | 1.27. Substance use                  |
| 1.7.2. <i>Disability</i>           | 1.13. Housing                    | 1.28. Transportation                 |
| 1.7.3. <i>Gender</i>               | 1.14. Human trafficking          | 1.29. Trauma                         |
| 1.7.4. <i>Gender identity</i>      | 1.15. Hunger/access to food      | 1.30. Unemployment                   |
| 1.7.5. <i>Immigration status</i>   | 1.16. Immigration                | 1.31. Workplace issues               |
| 1.7.6. <i>Race</i>                 | 1.17. Legal services             | 1.32. Other _____                    |
| 1.7.7. <i>Religion</i>             | 1.18. Low income                 |                                      |
|                                    | 1.19. Mental health              |                                      |

2. What do you see as the most significant challenges facing women, overall, in your community?

3. What do you think has the biggest effect on a woman's ability to have enough money to take care of herself and her family in your community?

4. What programs or resources do you think are helping women in your community right now?

5. What needs do you or women in your community have that aren't being met? What do you think would help?

6. What state do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

7. If VT, which county? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Your age? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Your gender? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Which race/ethnicity best describes you?

10.1 American Indian or Alaskan Native

10.2 Asian/Pacific Islander

10.3 Black or African America

10.4 Hispanic or Latinx

10.5 White/Caucasian

10.6 Multiple ethnicity/Other \_\_\_\_\_

10. Marital status? (circle one)

10.1. Single

10.3. Separated

10.5. Widowed

10.2. Married

10.4. Divorced

11. The people in my home are (circle all that apply):

11.1. Myself

11.4. Adult children

11.6. Other relatives over 65

11.2. An adult partner

11.5. Other relatives ages 18 –

11.7. Unrelated adults

11.3. Minor children

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11.8. Unrelated children

12. What is your employment status? (circle all that apply)

12.1. Full-time

12.4. Unemployed

12.7. Retired

12.2. Part-time

12.5. Student

12.8. Disabled

12.3. Self-employed

12.6. Homemaker

13. What do you spend the most money on each month? (for example: rent, food, child care, car payments, health insurance, etc.)

13.1. \_\_\_\_\_

13.2. \_\_\_\_\_

13.3. \_\_\_\_\_

14. Circle the sentence that best describes how you feel most of the time:

14.1. I can easily meet my monthly expenses

14.2. I struggle to meet my monthly expenses

14.3. I can only meet my monthly expenses when I have help

14.4. I don't meet my monthly expenses

15. What else would you like the Vermont Commission on Women to know?

*Thank you! Feel free to mail this to us, or to contact us for any reason.*

This survey can also be taken online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vcw2018listeningproject>  
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