



Upcoming Funding Opportunities

As of 07/06/23

We're giving you a heads up about upcoming funding opportunities from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Inflation Reduction Act, and other programs so you can get a jump on framing your project! We've grouped grants and funding by topic so you can jump to the information you need. We'll update the opportunities monthly. You can set a reminder to check back regularly.

Our Federal Funding Assistance Program webpage has a list of [Open Funding Opportunities](https://www.vlct.org/federal-funding-assistance-program-ffaarpa#:~:text=to%20find%20out%3A-,Open%20Funding%20Opportunities,-Upcoming%20Grant%20Opportunities) at <https://www.vlct.org/federal-funding-assistance-program-ffaarpa#:~:text=to%20find%20out%3A-,Open%20Funding%20Opportunities,-Upcoming%20Grant%20Opportunities>.

To learn more about the \$1 Billion in federal funding Vermont has been awarded as of April 20, 2023, visit the [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Maps Dashboard](#). Published by the General Services Administration, it depicts how much funding has been announced and awarded for work within states and describes the funded project and programs. You can hover over a project location to learn about individual awards or download the funding tables to review the breakdown by federal program.

Funding by Topic

Hover your cursor over the topic below and use Ctrl + Click to jump to the topic's funding opportunities.

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BROADBAND

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
None				

BROWNFIELDS

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September 2023	Brownfield Assessment Grants	Environmental Protection Agency	Grants.gov	Supports inventory, characterization, assessment, planning activities, site-specific cleanup plan development, and community engagement related to brownfield sites



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September 2023	Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund Grants	Environmental Protection Agency	Grants.gov	Supports capitalization of a revolving loan fund and to provide loans and subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites.
September 2023	Brownfield Cleanup Grants	Environmental Protection Agency	Grants.gov	Supports carrying out cleanup activities at brownfield sites. Applicants must own the site for which funding is being requested.
September 2023	Brownfield Multipurpose Grants	Environmental Protection Agency	Grants.gov	Supports carrying out a range of assessment and cleanup activities, including planning and community engagement, in a discrete area (neighborhood, group of towns, corridor, etc.) with one or more brownfield sites

CLIMATE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
Summer 2023	Rural Energy Pilot Grants Program (REPP)	USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service	Grants.gov	Funds planning, installing, equipping, and maintaining community scale distributed renewable energy technologies, systems, and resources
Fall 2023	Community Wildfire Defense	US Forest Service	Grants.gov	Supports development or revisions to community wildfire protection plans and implementation of projects described within protection plans that are less than 10 years old
Early Summer 2023	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund	Environmental Protection Agency		Supports financing and technical assistance for residential and community solar and associated storage and/or for projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollution.
Summer 2023	Clean Water and Healthy Ecosystems Research Projects	Lake Champlain Basin Program	Online application	Supports projects to further the mission of the LCBP and address the research tasks outlined in its management plan, <i>Opportunities for Action</i>
Summer 2023	Clean Water and Healthy Ecosystems Planning and Implementation Projects	Lake Champlain Basin Program	Online application	Supports projects that will improve water quality and directly result in the reduction of water pollution in the Lake Champlain Basin
Fall 2023	Communities Caring for Canopy Grants	VT Urban & Community Forestry Program	Online application sent via email	Supports tree inventory, planting, and maintenance; plan development; emerald ash borer or other pest preparedness; public outreach; staff or tree warden training; and program development



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Late Summer 2023	Growing Urban Forests in the Face of Emerald Ash Borer Grants	USDA Forest Service	Online application sent via email	Supports tree planting in the public right-of-way or in public places and on private land, provided approved permissions and agreements are in place
Fall 2023	Climate Pollution Reduction – Implementation Grants	Environmental Protection Agency		Supports implementation of measures identified in plans developed with planning grants. Municipalities can apply to implement measures in their plan or in the State’s plan.
Early December 2023	Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program	Federal Emergency Management Agency via Vermont Emergency Management	FEMA GO	Supports project scoping/alternatives analysis, Local Hazard Mitigation Plan development/update, direct technical assistance, and construction projects that reduce the risk from natural hazards
Early December 2023	Flood Mitigation Assistance Program	Federal Emergency Management Agency via Vermont Emergency Management	FEMA GO	Funds projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
Fall 2023	Design and Implementation Block Grants	State Natural Resources Conservation Council	Email	Supports design and implementation of stormwater and natural resource restoration projects that reduce sediment and nutrient pollution from runoff and soil erosion
Fall 2023	Wood Innovations Grants Program	USDA Forest Service		Expands and creates markets for wood products and wood energy that support long-term, sustainable management of National Forest System lands and other forest lands
Fall 2023	Community Wood Grant Program	USDA Forest Service		Funds installation of thermally led community wood energy systems or builds innovative wood product manufacturing facilities



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Winter 2023-24	Watershed Grant	VT Fish & Wildlife Department	Email	Supports watershed related monitoring, education, conservation, recreation, or historic enhancement such as protection or restoration of aquatic habitat, water quality, and shorelines; phosphorus and sedimentation reduction; recreational use enhancement; identifying and protecting historic and cultural resources; educating people about watershed resources; or monitoring fish and wildlife populations and/or water quality.

CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
August 2023	Historic Preservation Barn Grants	VT Division for Historic Preservation	Email	Supports rehabilitation of historic agricultural buildings. Buildings must be at least 50 years old and listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places to qualify.
August 2023	Historic Preservation Grants	VT Division for Historic Preservation	Email	Supports rehabilitation of historic buildings, such as town halls, museums, theaters, libraries, recreation centers, and other municipal buildings. Repairs, maintenance, and accessibility improvements are eligible.
October 2023	Certified Local Government (CLG) Grants	VT Division for Historic Preservation	Email	Funds local preservation projects including surveys, oral histories, and historic sites inventories; National Register nominations; research; preservation ordinances; preservation plans; educational activities; design guidelines; zoning studies; walking/driving tours; training; architectural drawings and specifications; streetscape, façade studies, or condition assessments; and (in some years) property rehabilitation or restoration
Fall 2023	U.S. Treasury Capital Projects Fund for Libraries	VT Dept. of Libraries (State ARPA Funds)	Unknown	Addresses critical building improvements to ensure Vermonters have continued access to high-speed Internet to directly enable work, education, and health monitoring at their local public libraries, including making public libraries more accessible to people with disabilities, improving ventilation and filtration of air, or addressing structural issues that threaten the integrity of the building



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Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
Fall 2023	Public Facilities Preservation Initiative Grants	VT Dept. of Libraries	Unknown	Supports projects in small, rural public libraries that are vital to the functioning of the library, including those that address ADA, HVAC, the building envelope (roof, foundation, walls, windows, etc.) and new construction, with a focus on economically depressed areas
Fall 2023	Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership Programs	Lake Champlain Basin Program	Online form	Supports projects and programs that highlight the Interpretive Themes and furthers goals, actions, and tasks described in the Heritage Partnerships' Management Plan. This opportunity includes multiple grant programs.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
Fall 2023	Catalyst (formerly State Economic & Infrastructure Development)	Northern Borders Regional Commission	Email	Supports infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that promote economic revitalization and modernizing public infrastructure. Infrastructure includes transportation, telecommunications, energy, and basic public (water, wastewater, public health, community connectedness, solid waste, childcare, outdoor recreation, and public meeting spaces).

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
January 2024	Operation Stonegarden Grant	Vermont Homeland Security Unit	Unknown	Supports enhanced cooperation and coordination among law enforcement agencies to secure the United States' borders along routes of ingress (travel corridors and water borders)
January 2024	Assistance to Firefighters Grants	FEMA	FEMA GO	Supports critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.



ENERGY

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
07/10/23	Powering Affordable Clean Energy (PACE) Program	USDA Rural Development	Letter of Interest	Will forgive up to 40 percent of loans for renewable energy projects that use wind, solar, hydropower, geothermal, or biomass, as well as for renewable energy storage projects. Projects must generate electricity for resale to residents.

MULTIPLE/OTHER

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
Late June/Early July 2023	Community Partnership for Neighborhood Development	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	TBD	Support investments in the development of inclusive, smart-growth neighborhoods by funding municipal planning, site control, design, scoping, and surveying for the development of a pilot neighborhood.
July 2023	Municipal Planning Grant	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	GEARS	Supports local planning and revitalization initiatives that support statewide planning goals.
September 2023	Vermont Community Development Program	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	GEARS	Supports planning and implementation of housing, economic development, public facilities, public services, and accessibility modifications. Project must primarily benefit persons of low and moderate income.
Fall 2023	Bylaw Modernization Grant	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	GEARS	Supports land use, development, and zoning bylaw updates in support of a pedestrian-oriented development pattern that increases housing choice, affordability, and opportunity in areas planned in accordance with Vermont’s smart growth principles (24 V.S.A. § 2791).
Fall 2023	Catalyst (formerly State Economic & Infrastructure Development)	Northern Borders Regional Commission	Email	Supports infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that promote economic revitalization and modernizing public infrastructure. Infrastructure includes transportation, telecommunications, energy, and basic public (water, wastewater, public health, community connectedness, solid waste, childcare, outdoor recreation, and public meeting spaces).



RECREATION

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Fall 2023	Land and Water Conservation Fund	VT Dept. of Forests, Parks, and Recreation	Email	Acquisition of land for parks and public outdoor recreation, or development of new facilities and/or renovation of existing facilities for outdoor recreation.
Fall 2023	Recreation Trails Program	VT Dept. of Forests, Parks, and Recreation	Email	Supports development and maintenance of public recreational trails for both motorized and non-motorized recreation

TRANSPORTATION

Opening Date	Program	Funding Entity	Apply Via	Brief Description
Summer 2023	Bridge Investment Program	Federal Highway Administration	Grants.gov	Supports improving the condition of bridges in poor condition or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition and improving the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges
Summer 2023	Railroad Crossing Elimination Program	Federal Highway Administration	Grants.gov	Supports rail grade crossing improvements that focus on improving safety and mobility of people and goods through grade separation or closure, track relocation, protective devices, and technological solutions.
August / September 2023	Transportation Alternatives Program	VT Agency of Transportation	Email	Supports on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhancing mobility, community improvement activities, environmental mitigation (stormwater, habitat connectivity, salt sheds), trails that serve a transportation purpose, and safe routes to school projects
September 2023	Better Roads Program	VT Agency of Transportation	Email	Supports the use of erosion control and maintenance techniques that save money while protecting and enhancing water quality
September / October 2023	Community Change Grant Program	America Walks		Supports innovative, engaging, and inclusive programs and projects that create change and opportunity for walking and movement at the community level.
Fall 2023	Municipal Highway & Stormwater Mitigation Program	VT Agency of Transportation	Online application sent via email	Supports projects that protect or improve water quality, including planning studies, salt/sand sheds, bank stabilization, culvert replacement/re-sizing, and stormwater treatment practices



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Fall 2023	Strengthening Mobility & Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants	Department of Transportation	Grants.gov	Supports demonstration projects focused on advanced smart community technologies and systems to improve transportation efficiency and safety
Fall 2023	Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements	Department of Transportation	Grants.gov	Supports projects that improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of intercity passenger and freight rail
Early 2024	Downtown Transportation Fund	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	Email	Supports transportation-related capital improvements within or serving a Designated Downtown and eligible Designated Village Centers

WATER, WASTEWATER, STORMWATER

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August / September 2023	River Community Grants	Upper Missisquoi & Trout River Wild & Scenic Committee		Supports projects that protect and enhance the quality and enjoyment of the Upper Missisquoi and Trout Wild and Scenic Rivers and their outstanding resources (water, recreation, history/culture, etc.)
September / October 2023	Municipal Grants	Upper Missisquoi & Trout River Wild & Scenic Committee		Supports roadway and infrastructure improvements that protect and enhance the rivers, their resources, and the communities through which flow with a specific emphasis on water quality
Fall 2023	SEARCH - Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households Grant	USDA Rural Development	RDApply	Helps very small, financially distressed rural communities with predevelopment feasibility studies, design, and technical assistance on proposed water and waste disposal projects
Fall 2023	Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program (national pool)	USDA Rural Development	Via email	Provides funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. Essential community facility examples include health care facilities, municipal offices, transportation improvements, childcare or community centers, housing, public safety services, museums, libraries, utility services, and local food systems.



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December 2023	Downtown Transportation Fund Clean Water Initiative	VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development	Email	Supports green stormwater infrastructure and Tier 1 and Tier 2 stormwater management practice types as defined in the Vermont Stormwater Management Manual