**State Funding**

**ACCD Vermont Community Development Program (CDBG)**

**Accessibility Modification Grants** – Federal grants to bring existing municipal buildings and non-school libraries into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

**Implementation Grants** – Federal grants for economic development, housing, public facilities, and public services that will benefit low/moderate income individuals, eliminate slums or blight, or address an urgent need.

**Planning Grants** – Federal grants for community development planning, downtown planning studies, and project development to benefit people with low to moderate incomes and/or eliminate “slums and blight.”

**Range:** $30,000 - $1,000,000. Accessibility Modification and Planning grants require 25% local match.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities and/or municipalities on behalf of organizations and private owners.

**Deadline:** Open application with funding decisions made throughout the year.

**Contact:** Cindy Blondin, (802) 828-5219 cindy.blondin@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/vcdp](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/vcdp)

**ACCD/VTrans Downtown Transportation Fund**

State grants for municipalities to finance transportation-related capital improvements in support of economic development, within or serving a Designated Downtown, including construction or alteration of roads and highways, parking facilities, pedestrian and streetscape improvement, rail or bus facilities or equipment, and underground relocation of electric utility, cable and telecommunications lines.

**Range:** 50% of overall project costs up to maximum of $100,000.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities with a Designated Downtown.

**Deadline:** Annually in March.

**Contact:** Gary Holloway, (802)828-3220 gary.holloway@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_transportation_fund](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_transportation_fund)

**ACCD Municipal Planning Grant Program**

State grants for a wide range of municipal planning projects including municipal land use plans, zoning and subdivision bylaws, designated downtown and village planning (including village greens).

**Range:** $2,500 - $20,000. Grants over $8,000 require 33% local match.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities with adopted plans confirmed by their regional planning commission.

**Deadline:** Annually in September.

**Contact:** Annina Seiler, (802) 828-1948 annina.seiler@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/overview/municipal_planning_grants](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/overview/municipal_planning_grants)

**ACCD State Historic Preservation Grants**

State 50:50 matching grants for the repair and restoration of historic buildings listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places in Vermont.

**Range:** $1,000 - $20,000. 50% local match.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities and non-profit organizations.

**Deadline:** Annually in October.

**Contact:** Caitlin Corkins, (802) 828-3047 caitlin.corkins@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/preservation/grants/historic_preservation](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/preservation/grants/historic_preservation)

**ACCD Downtown and Village Center Tax Credits**

State income tax credits for projects that enhance historic commercial buildings.

**Range:** 10-50% of eligible expenditures.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities with Downtown or Village Center designations.

**Deadline:** Annually in July.

**Contact:** Caitlin Corkins, (802) 828-3047 caitlin.corkins@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_village_tax_credit](http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_village_tax_credit)

**ACCD Brownfield Revitalization Fund**

Assess, characterize, and clean up contaminated sites.

**Range:** Up to $200,000. Local match varies.

**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations, private developers.

**Deadline:** Rolling.

**Contact:** Kiersten Bourgeois, (802) 793-4899 kiersten.bourgeois@vermont.gov

**Website:** [http://accd.vermont.gov/business/relocate_expand/capital/brownfields](http://accd.vermont.gov/business/relocate_expand/capital/brownfields)

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ACCD Certified Local Government Program
Federal grants available for resource identification and planning, National Register nominations, downtown planning, public education, archeological studies, and building feasibility studies.
Range: $500 - $25,000. Local match of 50%.
Eligibility: Municipalities that are enrolled as Certified Local Governments.
Deadline: Annually in January.
Contact: Devin Colman, (802) 828-3043 devin.colman@vermont.gov
Website: http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/preservation/planning/clgp

ANR Recreational Trails Grant Program
State 80:20 matching grants for the maintenance, restoration, design and construction of recreational trails. Details on website.
Range: Maximum of $20,000. Local match of 20%.
Eligibility: Municipalities, located outside of Chittenden County with a confirmed planning process.
Deadline: Annually in February.
Contact: Sherry Winnie, (802) 760-8450 sherry.winnie@vermont.gov
Website: http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grants/rtp

ANR Ecosystem Restoration Grant Program
State grants for the design and construction projects that target nonpoint sources of pollution that cause or contribute to the state’s surface waters. Details on website.
Range: Maximum of $250,000. Local match varies.
Eligibility: Municipalities, regional organizations, non-profits associations, citizen groups, and state agencies.
Deadline: Two rounds annually, varies depending on funding.
Contact: David Pasco, (802) 490-6112 david.pasco@vermont.gov
Website: http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov/grants.htm

ANR Caring for Canopy Grant Program
State 50:50 grants to help communities care for tree canopy by taking the necessary actions to developing and sustaining a community-wide tree program, including tree plantings, inventories, maintenance, and planning. Details on website.
Range: $500 - $5,000. Local match of 50%.
Eligibility: Municipalities and non-profits associations.
Deadline: Annually in April.
Contact: Danielle Fitzko, (802) 598-9992 danielle.fitzco@vermont.gov
Website: http://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/community_forests/community_canopy_grants

ANR Land and Water Conservation Fund
Assists in acquiring land for parks and public outdoor recreation, as well as the development of new facilities and/or renovations of existing facilities or outdoor recreation.
Range: Not specified. Local match of 50%.
Eligibility: Municipalities.
Deadline: Annually in February.
Contact: Jessica Savage, (802) 249-1230 jessica.savage@vermont.gov
Website: http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grants/lwcf

BGS Recreational Facilities Grants Program
Matching state grants for capital costs associated with the development and creation of community recreational opportunities.
Range: $1,000 - $25,000. 1:1 local match.
Eligibility: Municipalities and non-profit organizations.
Deadline: Annually in October.
Contact: Chrissy Gilhuly, (802) 828-3519 christine.gilhuly@vermont.gov
Website: http://bgs.vermont.gov/home

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VTrans Transportation Alternative Program
State 80:20 matching grants for the construction, planning, and design of bike and pedestrian facilities (on or off road), sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, lighting, and others. Details on website.
Range: $50,000 - $300,000. Local match of 20%.
Eligibility: Municipalities, transit agencies, school district, and regional planning commissions.
Deadline: Annually in October.
Contact: Scott Robertson, (802) 828-5779 scott.robertson@vermont.gov
Website: http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/transportation-alternatives

VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Program
State 90:10 matching grants for the scoping, design, and construction of bike and pedestrian facilities, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, crosswalks, shared-use paths, and lighting. Details on website.
Range: No minimum or maximum range. Local match of 10%.
Eligibility: Municipalities, transit agencies, school district, and regional planning commissions.
Deadline: Annually in July.
Contact: Jon Kaplan, (802) 828-0059 jon.kaplan@vermont.gov
Website: http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/bike-ped

VTrans/ACCD Strong Communities, Better Connections Program
State 90:10 matching grants for planning that align land use planning and community revitalization with transportation investments. Details on website.
Range: No minimum or maximum range. Local match of 10%.
Eligibility: Municipalities, located outside of Chittenden County with a confirmed planning process.
Deadline: Annually, varies depending on funding.
Contact: Jackie Cassino, (802) 828-2758 jackie.cassino@vermont.gov or Richard Amore, richard.amore@vermont.gov
Website: http://vtransplanning.vermont.gov/programs/scbc

Federal Funding
EPA Brownfield Assessment Grants
Federal grants available to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct community involvement related to brownfield sites.
Range: Up to $200,000. No local match required.
Eligibility: State, local, and tribal governments.
Deadline: Granted on annual basis.
Contact: Frank Gardner, (617) 918-1278 gardner.frank@epa.gov
Website: http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/assessment_grants.htm

Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives
Federal tax incentives are available to properties that will be used for a business or other income-producing purposes. Assists in rehabilitating commercial, industrial, agricultural, or rental residential buildings.
Range: 20% of eligible expenditures.
Eligibility: Properties must be used for business or other income-producing purpose.
Deadline: Rolling.
Contact: Brian Goeken, (202) 354-2033 brian_goeken@nps.gov
Website: http://www.nps.gov/tps/tax-incentives.htm

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**Non-profit Funding**

**Vermont Community Foundation**
A variety of grants are available to support projects to improve environmental sustainability, cultural heritage, social justice, historic preservation, and vitality of Vermont communities.

**Range:** Up to $25,000. No local match required.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, nonprofit organizations, grant availability varies by geographic area.
**Deadline:** Varies by grant, throughout the year.
**Contact:** Lauren Bruno, (802) 388-3355 ext. 222 lbruno@vermontcf.org
**Website:** http://www.vermontcf.org/Nonprofits/AvailableGrants.aspx

**VHCB Local Conservation Projects**
Local conservation projects for agricultural and recreational land, town parks and forests, swimming holes, greenways, and buildings for public use.

**Range:** Up to $150,000. Local match of 33%.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities.
**Deadline:** 5 deadlines throughout the year.
**Contact:** Marcy Christian, (802) 828-5070 marcy@vhcb.org
**Website:** http://www.vhcb.org/local-conservation.html

**Lintilhac Foundation**
Grants available for the purpose of land use and environmental equity, especially for recreational access to lands and integrative land use planning.

**Range:** $5,000 - $30,000.
**Eligibility:** Organizations that serve the State of Vermont.
**Deadline:** Four rounds annually.
**Contact:** Louise S. Lintilhac, (802) 985-4106
**Website:** http://lintilhacfoundation.org/guidelines.html

**Windham Foundation**
Available to projects in the Grafton area that support special programming and events that contribute to the cultural, artistic, and recreational vitality of the Grafton area for residents and visitors.

**Range:** $2,000 - $3,000. No local match required.
**Eligibility:** Project must be in the Grafton area.
**Deadline:** Grants are considered twice per year.
**Contact:** Becky Nystrom, becky.nystrom@windham-foundation.org
**Website:** http://www.windham-foundation.org/programs/grants/grafton-fund-link.html

**Preservation Trust of Vermont**
Grants available to rehabilitate historic buildings.

**Range:** Up to $35,000. Local match 1:1.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities and non-profit organizations.
**Deadline:** Awards offered 3-4 times per year.
**Contact:** Paul Bruhn, (802) 343-0595 paul@ptvermont.org
**Website:** http://www.ptvermont.org/help/preservation_grants.php

**National Trust for Historic Preservation**
Assist with planning projects related to architecture, archaeology, engineering, preservation planning, land use planning, and law.

**Range:** $2,500 - $5,000. Local match 1:1.
**Eligibility:** Public agencies, non-profit organizations.
**Deadline:** Three rounds per year.
**Contact:** (202) 588-6000 info@savingplaces.org
**Website:** http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/#.VbI6G_lVhBc

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KaBOOM!
Assists in building playgrounds that serve children from low-income populations, with special needs, or are located in disaster-impacted communities.
**Range:** Up to $40,000. No local match required.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations, school districts.
**Deadline:** Rolling.
**Contact:** (202) 659-0215 apply@kaboom.org
**Website:** http://kaboom.org/grants/build_it_with_kaboom

**Vermont Arts Council Animating Infrastructure Grant**
The Animating Infrastructure Grant funds projects that integrate public art into existing or proposed infrastructure improvements. Infrastructure improvements could include buildings, recreational paths, parks, bridges, small-scale renewable energy projects, and water treatment facilities.
**Range:** Up to $15,000. No local match required.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations, schools, libraries, downtown associations, historical societies, chambers of commerce, regional planning organizations.
**Deadline:** Annually in the spring.
**Contact:** Michele Bailey, (802) 828-3294 mbailey@vermontarts council.org
**Website:** http://www.vermontarts council.org/grants-and-services/organizations/animating-infrastructure

**Vermont Arts Council Cultural Facilities Grant**
The Cultural Facilities Grant funds projects that work to enhance, create, or expand the capacity of an existing building to provide cultural activities for the public.
**Range:** Up to $30,000. Local match 1:1.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations.
**Deadline:** Annually in the spring.
**Contact:** Michele Bailey, (802) 828-3294 mbailey@vermontarts council.org
**Website:** http://www.vermontarts council.org/grants-and-services/organizations/cultural-facilities

**Corporate Funding**

**Ben & Jerry's Foundation**
Funds community programs in Vermont, including social service organizations, cultural, recreational, or arts programs, and community celebrations.
**Range:** Up to $2,000.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations.
**Deadline:** Rolling.
**Contact:** Dana Jeffrey (802) 846-1500 ext. 2657 info@benandjerrysfoundation.org
**Website:** http://benandjerrysfoundation.org/vermont-community-action-teams.html

**Green Mountain Power**
Available for engagement in safety, first responders, community health and well-being, and education.
**Range:** Up to $500.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, community groups.
**Deadline:** Rolling.
**Contact:** giving@greenmountainpower.com
**Website:** http://www.greenmountainpower.com/community/giving/

**Green Mountain Coffee Roasters**
Community sponsorships fund projects that focus on the betterment of communities. Emphasis on Washington and Chittenden Counties.
**Range:** $500 - $5,000.
**Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations, school districts.
**Deadline:** Rolling.
**Contact:** sponsorships@keurig.com
**Website:** http://www.keuriggreenmountain.com/en/Sustainability/ThrivingPeopleandCommunities/ThrivingCommunities/CommunitySponsorships.aspx

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**National Life Group Foundation**

Funds to address underlying issues or needs in communities. Emphasis on programs for children and families.

- **Range:** Up to $5,000.
- **Eligibility:** Must be public charity.
- **Deadline:** Rolling.
- **Contact:** (800) 732-8939
- **Website:** https://www.nationallifegroup.com/OurStory-OurFoundation

**Wells Fargo**

Community development grants available to promote economic development, or help revitalize low and moderate income communities.

- **Range:** Not specified.
- **Eligibility:** Municipalities, non-profit organizations, school districts.
- **Deadline:** Rolling.
- **Contact:** Krista Van Tassel, (617) 854-4371 krista.l.vantassel@wellsfargo.com
- **Website:** https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/vt_guidelines

**Other Support**

**Orton Family Foundation**

Assists residents of small cities and towns in the use of the Community Heart & Soul™ method, a barn-raising approach to community planning and development designed to increase participation of local decision-making and empower residents to shape the future of their communities in a way that upholds the unique character of each place.

- **Contact:** Rachel Moyer, (802) 495-0864 ext. 201 info@orton.org
- **Website:** http://www.orton.org/

**UVM Service-Learning Courses**

These courses work to create meaningful, sustainable, pedagogically rich opportunities for students to contribute to the community through skills gained in their academic disciplines. Service-learning can take several forms: direct, indirect, consultant model, and community-based research. Contact the Office of Community-University Partnerships & Service Learning for more information.

- **Contact:** Susan Munkres, (802) 656-3853 smunkres@uvm.edu
- **Website:** http://www.uvm.edu/partnerships/

**Middlebury College Community Engagement**

Community Engagement programs connect college students, staff, and faculty with teaching, learning, research, and service opportunities in the wider Addison County community. Relationships with Community Partners vitally inform and support students’ education through direct contextualization and collaboration, and Middlebury undergraduates have contributed important support to many of Addison County’s private, public, and not-for-profit organizations.

- **Contact:** Ashley Laux, (802) 443-3099 alaux@middlebury.edu
- **Website:** http://www.middlebury.edu/studentlife/communityengagement/communitypartners

**Champlain College Center for Service & Civic Engagement**

The Center for Service & Civic Engagement provides encouragement, resources, and support that allow students, faculty, and staff to stay connected with the community through leadership, service, mentorship, partnership, reflection, and dialogue.

- **Contact:** Kyle Dodson, (802) 865-5408 centerforservice@champlain.edu
- **Website:** http://www.champlain.edu/student-life/campus-and-community-programs/center-for-service-and-civic-engagement

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