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*Agency of Commerce and  
 Community Development*

To: Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

From: Elizabeth Peebles, State Architectural Historian

Re: 2025 Certified Local Government Grant Applications

Date: January 10, 2025

Listed below for your consideration are summaries of the CLG Grant Applications submitted for the 2025 grant funding cycle. This year we are pledging to award approximately **\$79,101.00** to projects in CLG communities. The following eight projects all meet the application requirements of the program and are requesting a total of **\$114,318.00**. They are all Priority I projects.

Each summary includes a breakdown of the proposed budget. The “Federal Share” represents the amount of the grant being requested. The Federal Share cannot exceed 60% of the Total Project Cost.

**1. Town of Bennington CLG: *Pleasant Street Historic District***

This is a National Register project. Grant funding will be used to hire a qualified consultant to prepare a National Register of Historic Places nomination for Pleasant Street Historic District. Pleasant Street is located between Main Street and the Walloomsac River. Pleasant Street includes a combination of industrial sites, high-style houses, and workers housing and is significant for its association with the 19<sup>th</sup> century development of Bennington. The final product will be a National Register nomination.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$7,200</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$5,700*</u>	40% Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$12,000	

\*Local share comprised of \$900 in-kind match and \$4,800 cash match



## 2. City of Burlington CLG: *Intersections*

### Third-Party Administration by Lost Mural Project

This is an Information and Education Project. Grant funding will be used to hire a graphic artist, graduate and undergraduate students to conduct research, and the purchase of software and Virtual Reality headsets. The project will use a wide range of historical documents – federal census data, Sanborne Insurance Maps, Burlington City Directories with street addresses of homes and businesses – along with the current technology of Google Maps to produce a spatial illustrated history of Burlington’s Little Jerusalem through the decades. The time frame for research is 1850-1950 for the Jewish community, with an expectation that current immigrant communities’ “footprints” will be established at the present and expanded backward in time. Each residential and business address in Burlington’s Old North End will engage the user, indexed by decade with the name of occupants, businesses and religious institutions, fraternal and social organizations, and the immigrant occupants at each address through the decades, with each immigrant’s name and country of origin. The product will be the Intersections map itself, whose features will be easily navigable by anyone interested in exploring the history of Burlington, including teachers, students, researchers, and the general public.

#### Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$12,000*</u>	40% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$30,000	

\*Local share comprised of \$2,000 in-kind match and \$10,000 cash match

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## 3. Town of Hartford CLG: *Railroad Row Kiosk Panel & Webpage Design*

This is an Information and Education project. Grant funding will be used to hire a copywriter and graphic designer to prepare text and design new interpretative panels for the kiosk and the website. Twenty years ago, the Town developed Veterans Memorial Park on the corner of Bridge Street and Railroad Row in Downtown White River Junction. The park improvements included a kiosk with information on the history of White River Junction and a walking tour of current and former historic buildings. Since then, there have been several changes in the downtown and it is time to update the kiosk panels. The product will be four kiosk panels in the park and on the website with text, photos and graphics to provide visitors and residents with information on the history of White River Junction and its historic buildings. A QR code will be provided on the panels so visitors and residents can download detailed information on their smart phone.

#### Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>	<b>48% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$4,931*</u>	52% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$9,431	

\*Local share comprised of \$3,431 in-kind match and \$1,500 cash match

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**4. Town of Rockingham CLG: *Bellows Falls Downtown Historic District Nomination***

This is a National Register project. Grant funding will be used to hire a qualified consultant to research and prepare a National Register nomination for Bellows Falls. This project will create a National Register of Historic Places nomination for a newly defined Bellows Falls Downtown Historic District. It aims to update and combine two outdated districts into a single district: Bellows Falls Downtown Historic District (1982) and Bellows Falls Island Multiple Resource Area (1990). The final product will be a National Register nomination.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$10,260</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$6,840*</u>	40% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$17,100	

\*Local share comprised of \$6,840 cash match

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**5. Town of Rockingham CLG: *CLG Program Support, Stewardship, and Interpretation***

This is an Information and Education project. Grant funding will be used to pay the Rockingham CLG Coordinator (20 hours/week) to oversee the operations of the Rockingham Historic Preservation Commission and manage ongoing activities such as the Speakers Program, Historic Homes Workshops, Historic Preservation Public Awareness Program, and Old House Awards. In addition, the CLG Coordinator is overseeing the Rockingham Meeting House Preservation Project. The grant will also pay for movie advertisement slides, the Speakers program, drone imagery of the Rockingham Meeting House, Old House Awards program, and Historic New England membership. The final product will be a report on the activities and accomplishments of the CLG Coordinator and Commission, and the successful implementation of local CLG program activities.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$18,950</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$12,632*</u>	40% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$37,425	

\*Local share comprised of \$6,552 cash match and \$6,080 in-kind match

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**6. Town of Shelburne CLG: *Shelburne Historic Preservation and Design Review Guidelines Update***

This is a Preservation Planning project. Grant funding will be used to hire a consultant to prepare updated design guidelines. The Shelburne Design Review District (SDRD) Guidelines need to be revised to illustrate how to build infill buildings, and/or make changes to existing buildings that

will comply with Act 47 and upcoming changes to the Shelburne Zoning regulations. The SDRD Guideline revisions will minimize the conflicts between the new laws and Shelburne's preservation efforts by illustrating how newer, denser developments can be compatible with the Village character. The revised guidelines will help the Design Review Commission and developers create a built environment that will protect our architectural/cultural heritage and build a Town Center that will be livable and economically vibrant for decades to come. The final product will be revised design guidelines.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$10,000*</u>	40% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$25,000	

\*Local share comprised of \$10,000 cash match

**7. Town of Windsor CLG: *State Marker Restoration***

This is an Information and Education project. Grant funding will pay for bronze conservation and landscaping for a new accessible monument park. The Historic Preservation Commission proposes a project to move the monument and landscape the area in front of it to be more accessible and appealing to pedestrian traffic. Benches will be placed at both sides of the monument and granite posts will be placed behind the monument and thirty feet apart to demonstrate the length of the Meeting House described on the marker. A two-sided historic marker panel (like several others in town) will be placed within the pedestrian area. The content will expand upon information about the original meeting house, Vermont's first governor's inauguration, and Windsor's role as Vermont's capital for several years. The final product will be a conserved monument, new interpretive panel, and accessible pedestrian park.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$4,660</b>	<b>27% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$12,340*</u>	73% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$17,000	

\*Local share comprised of \$10,000 cash match and \$2,340 in-kind match

**8. Woodstock Village CLG: *Woodstock Village Design Guidelines***

This is a Preservation Planning project. Grant funding will pay for a preservation planning firm to prepare design guidelines. This project, through the aid of a consultant, is intended to result in the development, drafting and public notice for new Design Guidelines for the Village, and includes goals to align the boundaries of the "Design Review District" with the current amended NRHP Historic District and gather input from the Municipal Manager and staff, Director of Planning and Zoning, additional professional staff, the Design Review Board, the Planning

Commission, elected officials and the residents to develop design guidelines for proposed property changes. The final product will be new design guidelines.

Proposed Budget

<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$35,748</b>	<b>60% of Total Project Cost</b>
Local Share:	<u>\$23,832*</u>	40% of Total Project Cost
Total Project Cost:	\$59,580	

\*Local share comprised of \$23,832 in-kind match

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