

Program Overview

Annual Summary of Activities for Program Year 2018 (7/1/2017-6/30/2018)

The Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) administers funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Activities that support economic development and affordable housing continue to be VCDP's top priorities for funding. The VCDP assists communities on a competitive basis by providing financial and technical assistance to identify and address local needs in the areas of housing, economic development, public facilities, public services and handicapped accessibility modifications. The program is designed to predominantly benefit persons of low and moderate income. In addition, financial assistance is provided to communities with urgent needs, such as threats to health and safety and removal of slums and blighted properties.

Website: <http://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/vcdp>

2018 CDBG Program Accomplishments

The CDBG allocation for the last program year was \$6,282,652. This past year VCDP awarded nearly \$8 million to 25 projects, which leveraged over \$126 million dollars. The funds were awarded to housing, economic development, public facility and planning projects. A breakdown of awards made this year, by project types follows. Eight previously funded projects were enhanced to continue their services or to ensure project completion due to increased project costs. Program income from previous grants, other returned funds from prior grants, and a small forward commitment of next year's allocation made it possible to fund all the projects below.

By the Numbers [2018]

426

affordable housing units created/retained

148

jobs created/retained

\$7.8

million awarded

25

projects

1530

persons served by public facilities

\$126

million leveraged

Economic Development Grants

The VCDP awarded three and enhanced one economic development grants totalling \$2.4 million and leveraging over \$35 million in other resources. The following economic development projects will create/retain 148 jobs and will remove hazardous material to allow the future economic redevelopment of a former brownfield site.

Municipality/Lead Grantee	Project Title	Jobs
Town of Bennington	Putnam Redevelopment (enhancement)	
Town of Brattleboro	Culture Made Vermont	46
Town of Randolph	LEDdynamics	102
Town of Rockingham	Robertson Mill Redevelopment	



Robertson Mill Redevelopment - Rockingham



LEDdynamics - Randolph

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Housing

The VCDP awarded seven and enhanced four grants to housing projects that totalling \$4,562,500 in CDBG funding and leveraged nearly \$89 million in local, private and other federal and state resources. This collaborative effort will create or preserve 426 units of affordable housing and makes a significant contribution in addressing the affordable housing crisis. An additional \$455,000 will be used by the three revolving loan fund programs below to provide first time homeowner educational training and financial counseling to income eligible homeowners in need of home repair. The programs anticipate serving 996 households.

Municipality/Lead Grantee	Project Title	Units
City of Montpelier	Taylor Street	30
City of South Burlington	City Center Family Housing	60
City of St. Albans	Champlain Housing Home Repair Loan Program	50
Town of Bennington	Bennington Rental Rehab Pilot Program (enhancement)	12
Town of Fair haven	Appletree Apartments	40
Town of Brattleboro	Bradley House (enhancement)	
Town of Hartford	Sykes Mountain Avenue	30
Town of Lyndon	Northeast Kingdom Revolving Loan Fund (enhancement)	75
Town of Randolph	Armstrong Mobile Home Park (enhancement)	
Town of Springfield	Woolson Block	21
Town of West Rutland	NeighborWorks of Western Vermont Revolving Loan Fund	108



Rental Rehab - Bennington



NWWVT RLF - West Rutland

Planning Grants

Vermont communities are afforded opportunities to undertake community development planning through technical expertise and professional resources for one or more of the VCDP areas of eligibility – housing, economic development, public facilities and public services. The VCDP awarded three and enhanced two grants for planning projects totalling \$130,500 that were provided to communities throughout Vermont.

Municipality/Lead Grantee	Project Title
City of Newport	Newport City Feasibility Study (enhancement)
Town of Middlebury	Lindale Mobile Home Park Community Septic Planning
Town of Plainfield	Cutler Memorial Library
Town of Salisbury	Salisbury Town Hall Feasibility Study (enhancement)
Village of Essex Junction	Northwestern Vermont Housing Data Community Profiles

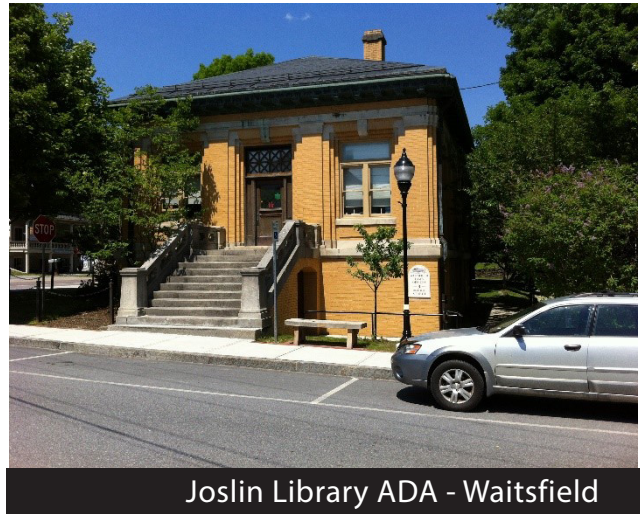
Public Facility Grants

The VCDP awarded four and enhanced one public facility grants that totalled \$296,000 and leveraged nearly \$1 million in other resources. The following community facility projects will help provide handicap access to two municipal libraries, a child center, a Town Hall and a local food shelf.

Municipality/Lead Grantee	Project Title	Persons Served
City of Rutland	Rutland County Parent Child Center (enhancement)	
Town of Highgate	ADA Modifications to Municipal Offices	391
Town of Royalton	Royalton Memorial Library Accessibility	498
Town of Waitsfield	Joslin Memorial Library Accessibility	148
Town of Weathersfield	ADA Ramp at Perkinsville Schoolhouse	493



Municipal Office ADA - Highgate



Joslin Library ADA - Waitsfield