

# Competitive Grant Program Calendar 2026



While unlikely, all dates are subject to change. Please visit each grant program's webpage for the most up to date information.

## **Rolling Grant Programs**

### **Green Mountain Fund**

- Geographic focus: Lamoille and Orleans Counties
- Supports: environment, food security & agriculture, community engagement, low-income youth and families, health and wellness
- Application Open: Early January – December 2026
- Notifications: Rolling, within 8-10 weeks of applying

### **Hills & Hollows Funds**

- Geographic focus: Poultney and Surrounding Communities
- Supports: education, children and families, efforts that foster the future sustainability of Poultney
- Application Open: January 1 – November 1, 2026 or when 2026 funding runs out
- Notifications: Rolling, within 6-8 weeks of applying

### **Nonprofit Development and Support**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: nonprofit capacity building; special and urgent needs
- Application Open: February/March – end of year or when 2026 funding runs out
- Notifications: Rolling, within 8 weeks of applying

### **Paul Post Fund**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: town and school libraries
- Application Open: Early January – end of year or when 2026 funding runs out
- Notifications: Rolling, within 6 weeks of applying

## Annual Grant Round Programs

### **Vermont Women's Fund**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: women and girls
- Application Open: January 6 – March 3, 2026
- Notifications: May 2026

### **South Lake Champlain Fund**

- Geographic focus: South Lake Champlain, South of Crown Point in NY and VT
- Supports: research and education concerning Lake Champlain
- Application Open: February 10 – March 24, 2026
- Notifications: Late April/Early May 2026

### **Samara Fund**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: LGBTQ+ Vermonters
- Application Open: February 10 – April 7, 2026
- Notifications: June 2026

### **Crosby Gannett Fund**

- Geographic focus: Brattleboro
- Supports: endeavors that contribute to the betterment and vitality of the Brattleboro area
- Application Open: March 17 – April 28, 2026
- Notifications: June 2026

### **Arts & Social Cohesion**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: arts programming that support opportunities for positive social interaction
- LOI Open: TBD
- Notifications: TBD

### **Spark Connecting Community**

- Geographic focus: Statewide
- Supports: strengthening community and building social capital
- Application Open: February 17 – March 31, 2026
- Notifications: May 2026

### **Kelsey Trust – Spring and Winter**

- Geographic focus: Lake Champlain Basin
- Supports: people and environment of the Lake Champlain Basin
- Application open: January 1 – June 1, 2026; July 1 – December 1, 2026
- Notifications: June 30, 2026; late December 2026/early January 2026

### **Walter Cerf Community Fund**

- Geographic focus: Addison County, Brandon, and Statewide
- Supports: education, historic preservation, and social services
- Application Open: April 21 – June 9, 2026
- Notifications: September 2026

### **NEK Fund**

- Geographic focus: Northeast Kingdom
- Supports: projects and programs by and for NEK communities
- Application Open: June 2 – July 21, 2026
- Notifications: September 2026

### **Opportunity Fund for Southshire Youth**

- Geographic focus: Bennington and Surrounding Communities
- Supports: youth programming
- Application Open: TBD
- Notifications: TBD

### **Laurance and Mary Rockefeller Fund**

- Geographic focus: Woodstock and Surrounding Communities
- Supports: preserving and enhancing the physical, cultural, spiritual, and wellness environment of Woodstock and its surrounding communities
- Application Open: September 1 – October 13, 2026
- Notifications: January 2027