



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