

# Northeast Kingdom Fund - 2026

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*Vermont Community Foundation*

## *Northeast Kingdom Fund Guidelines*

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The Northeast Kingdom Fund is interested in supporting opportunities in which a modest grant can leverage a new idea or other grant dollars, or make possible a project or idea that will benefit the people and communities in the Northeast Kingdom. In general, the fund is not able to support capital campaigns, normal operating expenses, deficit funding, or lost revenue. Applicants must demonstrate that the beneficiaries of a grant from the Northeast Kingdom Fund will be the people and communities of the Northeast Kingdom.

The Northeast Kingdom Fund review committee, made up of residents from the Kingdom, will make funding recommendations to the Foundation.

The Northeast Kingdom Fund funds grants up to \$5,000.

### **2026 Guidance for Proposals**

2026 grant funding will prioritize applications from projects and/or organizations that are based in the Northeast Kingdom and provide services directly to the community. We are looking to support projects that have emerged from the local community and/or projects that are in direct response to community need.

### **Deadline and Notification**

Applications must be submitted using our Online Grants Manager by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, 2026. No late applications will be accepted.

### **Helpful Hints:**

- Character limits include spaces and punctuation.
- Be sure to save your work frequently by clicking the "Save" button at the bottom of the page as the system will log out after 90 minutes of inactivity.
- The size of text boxes can be adjusted by dragging on the lower right corner.
- Create a PDF version of your application via the "Application Packet" button at the top of the page. All content and attachments will be included.

All applications must be submitted electronically to the Vermont Community Foundation through the application form in the Online Grants Manager, which can be accessed at [www.vermontcf.org/OGM](http://www.vermontcf.org/OGM). Applications will not be accepted by mail or email. If you have questions about the Online Grants Manager, please contact [grants@vermontcf.org](mailto:grants@vermontcf.org) or 802-388-3355 opt. 6.

## Organizational Questions

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### Please share the mission of the organization.\*

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### What is your organization's annual operating budget?\*

*Character Limit: 20*

### Financial Statements - Completed Fiscal Year\*

Please upload a copy of your organization's profit/loss statement and balance sheet from its most recently completed fiscal year. Sample documents can be downloaded from the Community Foundation's website - visit our Online Grants Center FAQ for more details.

*File Size Limit: 3 MB*

### Financial Statements - Current Fiscal Year\*

Upload a copy of your organization's budget to actual, including both revenue and expenses, from its current fiscal year. Sample documents can be downloaded from the Community Foundation's website - visit our Online Grants Center FAQ for more details.

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### What status best describes the applicant?\*

Our grants must be paid to a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit, place of worship/religious group, or town/municipal agency. If your organization or group does not fall into one of these categories, you will need to use a fiscal sponsor. If you have questions, please contact 802-388-3355 opt. 6. We are happy to talk through your options.

#### Choices

Municipal entity (i.e., town, public school, or other municipal department or agency)

Registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit

Place of worship or religious group

Other - Please provide details in your answer to the next question.

### Fiscal Sponsor Agreement Form (If Applicable)

Download a blank Fiscal Sponsor Agreement Form ([click here to download the form](#)) and forward it to your fiscal sponsor to print, fill out, and sign. The form must be filled out completely and you must use the official VCF form. Please call 802-388-3355 opt. 6 if you have questions.

### Upload the form here.

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## *Northeast Kingdom Fund Application Questions*

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### **Project Name\***

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### **Project Summary\***

Provide a concise overview of the project and what it will accomplish in one or two sentences. Please use complete sentences – this description may be used in publications.

*Character Limit: 200*

### **Total Amount Requested\***

Minimum \$500 / Maximum \$5,000

*Character Limit: 20*

### **Timeline and Workplan\***

Please summarize your work plan by listing the project activities and their expected timeline.

*Character Limit: 3000*

### **Community Engagement\***

Who was involved in developing this project? How did you decide on this approach?

*Character Limit: 2250*

### **Community Benefit\***

Who will benefit from this work and how will they benefit?

*Character Limit: 2250*

### **Project Budget - Itemized (REQUIRED ATTACHMENT)\***

Attach a copy of your itemized project budget. You should include both expenses and revenue, including pending and secured support. (Sample budget documents may be used as a guide and downloaded from the Community Foundation's website - visit our Online Grants Center for more details.)

*File Size Limit: 1 MB*

### **Budget Narrative**

Please feel free to include additional information about the budget here or within the budget itself.

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### **Attach a Photograph (OPTIONAL)**

Quality photos can be very helpful and inspiring. Sometimes we have opportunities to share your proposal with other potential funders and sometimes we want to promote the good work you are doing through social media and web posts. Providing an image is optional, but we would be grateful.

**Please indicate photographer credit and/or photo description in text area. *File types supported: png, jpeg, or jpg.***

*Character Limit: 500 | File Size Limit: 2 MB*

### **Photograph License and Release (if applicable)**

Do you wish to give the VCF permission to use your photo in communications? Please indicate below how you'd like it used.

**Option 1:** Please only use my photo internally if relevant to this application (to be shared among VCF staff only)

**Option 2:** Please use my photo internally and externally as determined by the VCF (this may include external communications, such as press releases, social media, or communications with potential funders of your project) Your organization &/or the photographer will be credited as the source of the image.

*Select option below.*

#### **Choices**

Option 1

Option 2

### ***Save and Submit***

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**Applications must be submitted online by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 to be considered.**

*By submitting your application to the Vermont Community Foundation, you give us permission to share your application and information about your project with other potential funders, both individuals and foundations.*