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2019 Northern Border Regional Commission Annual Report





A word from our Federal Co-Chair

Review of the Northern Border Regional Commission for 2019

Per 40 U.S.C. 15308, I am pleased to present the 2019 Annual Report of the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC).

In 2019, the NBRC continued to increase its impact on the region, through the deployment of an increased annual budget, the development of new programs, and the strengthening of multiple strategic partnerships. NBRC's budget increased to \$20MM in FY19, and we added the new Regional Forest Economy grant program, funded by \$4MM from our 2019 Congressional appropriations. We developed partnerships with the United States Economic Development Administration (FY19, \$3MM), and the United States Department of Agriculture (FY19, \$2.6MM). Further, we built research and community partnerships with the United States Forest Service, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. This broad scope of work has positioned the NBRC at a new level of regional involvement that we have not had in the past.

During 2019, the NBRC's Economic and Infrastructure Development grant program funds provided almost \$14 million in funding to some of our most distressed and rural areas in the northeastern United States. Within this region (and reflected in our grant scoring criteria), President Trump's Economic Opportunity Zone program has given distressed areas an extra funding tool to support economic development. The NBRC, along with its colleagues at the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Delta Regional Authority, had the honor of being appointed to the White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council, which advises the President on the economic Opportunity Zone program.

The year 2019 saw the States of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine, along with the Federal Co-Chair, continuing the strong working partnership that has been the hallmark of this agency. Working together, I am pleased to announce the NBRC hired its first Executive Director, Rich Grogan. Mr. Grogan has extensive background in economic development and regional issues, and we are confident that he will help to elevate the NBRC to its next level of regional leadership and service.

I would like to thank Governors Sununu, Scott, Mills, and Cuomo, and their representatives, for their dedication to NBRC and its mission. I would also like to thank the congressional delegations of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine, and their staffs. Their help has been immeasurable, and their guidance is deeply appreciated.

Finally I would like to thank the staff of the NBRC, Christine Frost, Jon O' Rourke, Alex Kramer, Bill Gallagher, and Rich Grogan, for their professionalism, dedication to the region and the NBRC, and all around, a great group of people to work with on a daily basis.

All my best,

Harold B. Parker
Federal Co-Chair
Northern Border Regional Commission

About the NBRC

Vision: The Northern Border region is known for its vital regional economies and thriving communities that provide for the well-being of the region's residents and support the stewardship of the region's natural and cultural assets.

Mission: The mission of the Northern Border Regional Commission is to catalyze regional, collaborative, and transformative community economic development approaches that alleviate economic distress and position the region for economic growth.

Authorized by Congress in 2008 (USC 40, Subtitle V) and first appropriated by Congress in 2010, the Northern Border Regional Commission ("NBRC") is modeled after the Appalachian Regional Commission federal-state partnership. The NBRC was created to provide infrastructure and economic development assistance to projects in counties that have varying degrees of economic and demographic distress.

Authority and oversight functions of the NBRC are shared by five Members: The Federal Government represented by the Federal Co-Chair, and the States of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont, represented by the Governors of those States. NBRC investments and policies are approved by the vote of the Federal Co-Chair and the collective vote of the majority of State Governors.

As a Federal-State partnership, the NBRC enjoys a strong network of State economic development leaders who provide guidance and support for NBRC programs. Such support also helps NBRC staff maintain knowledge of local conditions throughout its extensive service area.

The NBRC partnership is also aided by certified Local Development Districts that assist with grant technical assistance, provide information on complementary grants for projects, and administration of the NBRC grant funds.


The NBRC Members have a shared staff that is accountable and responsible to the Members as a whole. The staff provides impartial information and counsel on NBRC programs and direction.





MEMBERS' IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS


For activities related to **Authority** and **Oversight** of the NBRC. It is up to each partner to decide on how much work they wish to dedicate to NBRC related activities. These in-kind activities are approved and appropriated by each Member government.


All **funding for grants** is provided by the Federal Government depending on appropriations.

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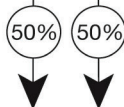
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MEMBERS' CASH CONTRIBUTIONS

For activities related to **Management** and **Operations**. These shared staff costs require a unanimous vote of all the States and the Federal Co-Chair. The Federal Co-Chair is not allowed to participate when the States' deliberate the extent of their cash participation.



	<p>Northern Border Regional Commission</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Salary & Benefits</p> <p>NBRC Staff Salary & Benefits</p> <p>OPERATING Travel, Rent, Phones, Etc.</p>
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A Brief Review

The Northern Border Regional Commission saw many changes, growth and exciting new projects in 2019. In December 2018 President Trump signed into law reauthorizing legislation that expanded the region to include new counties in New York and New Hampshire, and the entire state of Vermont. Additionally, NBRC created 5 new programs and hired its first Executive Director.

Highlights

- In December 2018, President Trump signed into law reauthorization of the Northern Border Regional Commission. The law authorizes NBRC to be in existence for another five years. The law also expanded the NBRC region to include Bellknapp and Cheshire Counties in NH, all Vermont counties, and doubled the counties in New York, expanding the region to Lake Erie. The revised legislation provided the Federal Co-Chair the ability to name a federal employee to act in their place if necessary. The revised legislation most notably increased the authorized funding level to \$33 million. Lastly, the legislation created the State Capacity Grant program.
- In 2019 Northern Border Regional Commission created a new program inspired by a directive by Congress to ensure that \$4M in funds go to areas most 'impacted by the decline in the forest industry.' NBRC added \$3MM from fiscal year 2018 and announced the Regional Forest Economy Partnership in order to focus regional collaboration and diversified economies.
- In 2019 the Commission crafted and implemented the State Capacity Grant that will follow the directive of Congress to provide support to the States of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont in order to increase capacity and technical assistance that aid economic development within the four states.

- In 2019, the Commission created a unique partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency. In collaboration with the USDA, the Forest Service Recreation Economy for Rural Communities was launched. It will provide assistance, to help the partner communities create an action plan to grow the local outdoor recreation economy. The first cohort of recipients in the NBRC region were announced in the fall of 2019: Cambridge, New York; Fryeburg, Maine; Gorham, New Hampshire; and Poultney, Vermont.
- In the Spring of 2019 the Commission hired Bill Gallagher as its first Administrative Officer. The Commission had reached a level of sophistication that required a person that would focus solely on the administrative side of federal requirements and issues.
- With 2019 Appropriations law, Congress directed the Economic Development Administration (EDA) to collaborate with the Northern Border Regional Commission. The Commission used its 2 grant programs to screen projects, and the EDA provided oversight review that resulted in awarding 6 projects totaling nearly \$3MM.
- Nearly 200 applications were processed in 2019. As the word spreads about the work that is being accomplished and Appropriations grow, competition for funds will continue to grow.
- In March 2019, Dr. Ben Carson, Secretary of HUD, asked Federal Co-Chair Harold B. Parker to be a member of the White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council. The Council will be guiding Opportunity Zone coordination throughout all federal agencies.
- In the Summer of 2019, Northern Border Regional Commission hired its first Executive Director. Rich Grogan comes to the Commission with experience that will allow the Commission to evolve into a more sophisticated organization.
- In 2019 Congress directed USDA Rural Development to transfer \$2.666MM to NBRC. Consistent with other regional commissions around the country, the funds will provide technical and other assistance to aid economic development.

NBRC Members

Policy and oversight decisions of the Commission are made by the Federal Co-Chair and a majority of governors from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York.



Representing the Federal Government
Member: Harold B. Parker, Federal Co-Chair



Representing the State of Maine
Member: The Honorable Janet Mills, Governor
Governor's Alternate:
Heather Johnson, Commissioner, Dept of Economic & Community Development
NBRC Program Manager: Andrea Smith, Dept. of Economic & Community Development



Representing the State of New Hampshire
Member: The Honorable Chris Sununu, Governor
Governor's Alternate:
Commissioner Taylor Caswell, Dept. of Business & Economic Affairs
NBRC State Program Manager: Mollie Kaylor, Dept. of Business & Economic Affairs



Representing the State of New York Member:
The Honorable Andrew Cuomo, Governor
Governor's Alternate:
Deputy Secretary of State for Local Government, Mark Pattison
NBRC State Program Manager: Kyle Wilber, Local Government Specialist, NY Secretary of State



Representing the State of Vermont
Member: The Honorable Phil Scott, Governor
Governor's Alternate:
Deputy Secretary Ted Brady Agency of Commerce & Community Development
NBRC State Program Manager: Tim Tierney/Kristie Farnham, Agency of Commerce & Community Development

Annual Distress Criteria

By statute, the NBRC is required to annually assess the level of economic and demographic distress within its region:

- To have reliable and timely data that can inform NBRC leadership as they create new- and perfect existing- economic and infrastructure funding programs,
- To create a benchmark in which annual compilations of economic and demographic data can be compared to the NBRC's Five Year Plan goals,
- To identify whether or not the NBRC can provide grants to projects within a county,
- To determine the level of match required by grant applicants for projects,
- To assist States as they develop their own economic and community development programs, and
- To provide publicly available information so local decision makers can prioritize their economic and community development strategies. Federal law (40 U.S.C., Subtitle V) states that, 'distressed' counties are those that, "have high rates of poverty, unemployment, or outmigration" and "are the most severely and persistently economic distressed and underdeveloped." The NBRC is required to allocate 50% of its total appropriations to projects in counties falling within this designation. The maximum percent of a "distressed" project that can be funded by the NBRC is 80%.

'Transitional' counties "have recently suffered high rates of poverty, unemployment, or outmigration" or "are economically distressed and underdeveloped." The maximum percent of a "transitional" project that can be funded by the NBRC is 50%.

'Attainment' counties are those that are neither 'distressed' nor 'transitional' The NBRC is not allowed to fund projects within an attainment county unless the project is within an 'isolated area of distress,' or have been granted a waiver. Isolated areas of distress are "areas [municipalities] that have high rates of poverty, unemployment, or out migration."

Because poverty, unemployment, and outmigration are only parts of an economic situation, the NBRC has adopted categories above and beyond those directed by statute. These "Secondary Distress Categories" provide a more in-depth survey of the NBRC's service area as well as greater opportunities to gauge the success of the NBRC's programs over time. These include: educational attainment (bachelor's degree or higher), household income, and seasonal home ownership.

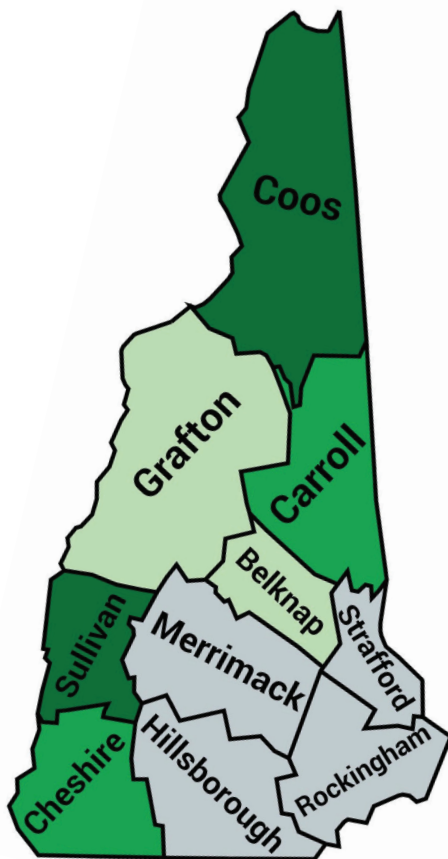
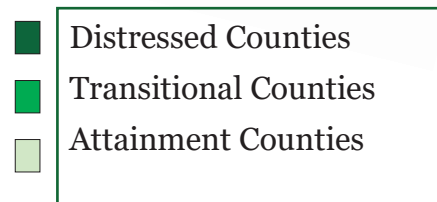
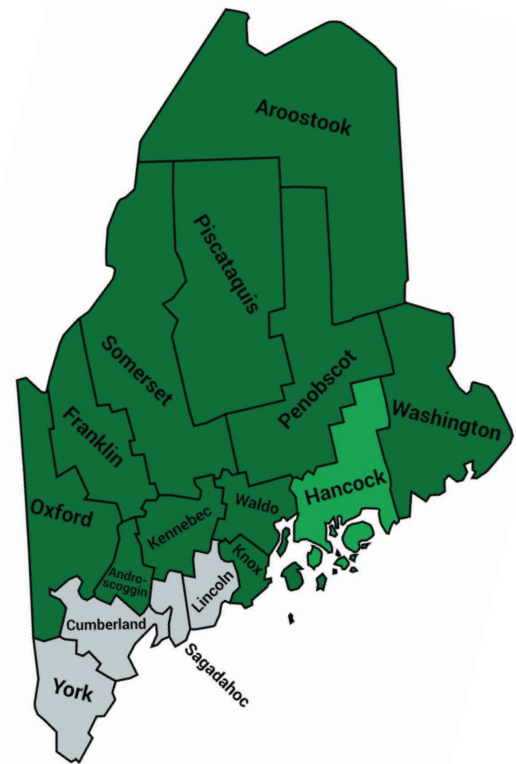
Assessment of Distress in Maine for FY'19

Distressed Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 20%
 Androscoggin, Aroostook, Franklin, Kennebec,
 Knox, Oxford, Penobscot, Piscataquis,
 Somerset, Waldo, Washington

Transitional Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 50%
 Hancock



Assessment of Distress in New Hampshire for FY'19

Distressed Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 20%
 Coos, Sullivan

Transitional Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 50%
 Carroll and Cheshire

Attainment Counties

Percent of match required (not eligible) 100%
 Grafton and Belknap

Assessment of Distress in New York for FY'19

Distressed Counties

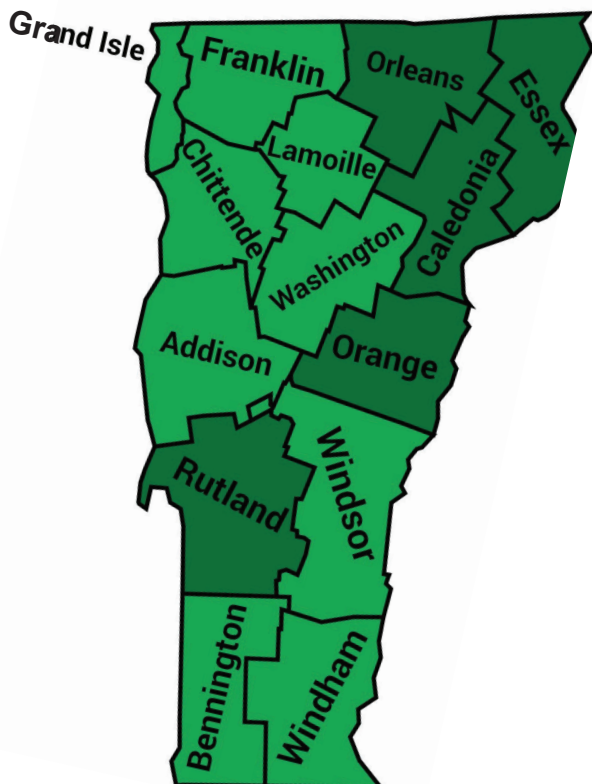
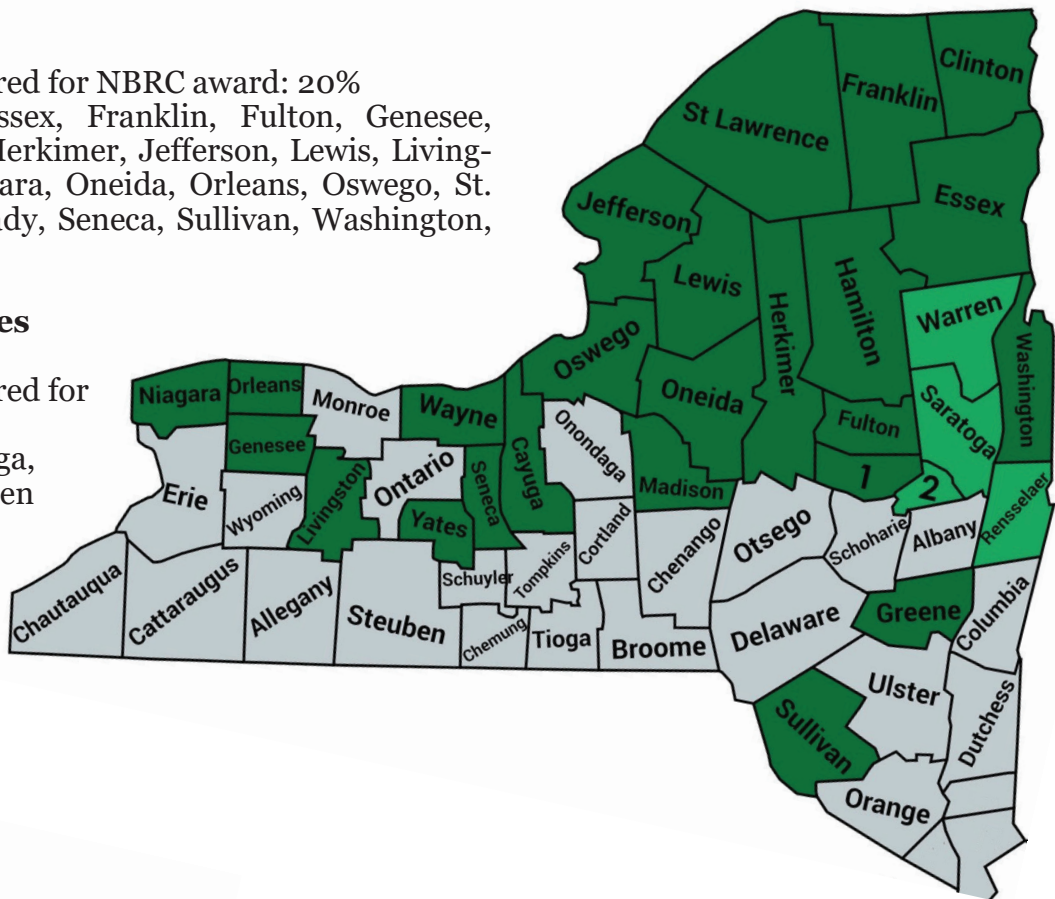
Percent of match required for NBRC award: 20%

Cayuga, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Niagara, Oneida, Orleans, Oswego, St. Lawrence, Schenectady, Seneca, Sullivan, Washington, Wayne and Yates

Transitional Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 50%

Montgomery, Saratoga, Rensselaer and Warren



Assessment of Distress in Vermont for FY'19

Distressed Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 20%
Caledonia, Essex, Orange, Orleans and Rutland

Transitional Counties

Percent of match required for NBRC award: 50%
Addison, Bennington, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Washington, Windham and Windsor



Northern Border Regional Commission

The Economic & Infrastructure Development Investment Program funded a variety of projects for the Fiscal Year 2019. Awards were made in August, 2019. The parameters of the NBRC's Investment are directed by enabling legislation, standard Federal grant requirements, the NBRC Strategic Plan and the State or regional economic development plans.

2019 State Economic & Infrastructure Development Grant Award Information

There were 154 applications received, of which 45 awards were made.

There was \$43,040,2567 dollars requested, of which \$13,952,746 was awarded.

Total amount of Leveraged Funds: \$55,744,028

Average Award: \$310,061

Leveraged Cost Share Ratio of 1:4 (Strategic Plan Goal 1:3)

Awards to Distressed areas was 63% (required minimum of 50%)

Awards to infrastructure: 68% (required minimum of 40%)



Northern Border Regional Commission

The Regional Forest Economy Partnership Grant funded a variety of projects for the Fiscal Year 2019 using both FY 19 and FY 18 appropriations. Awards were made in July and August of 2019. The parameters of the program are directed by enabling legislation, standard Federal grant requirements, the NBRC Strategic Plan and the State or regional economic development plans.

2019 Regional Forest Economy Partnership Grant Award Information

There were 44 letters of interest received, of which 21 were invited for full application and 9 awards were made.

There was \$32,095,816 dollars requested, of which \$7,199,999 was awarded.

Total amount of Leveraged Funds: \$6,488,298

Average Award: \$799,999

2019 ALL NBRC FUNDS TOTALS

Leveraged Cost Share Ratio of 1:2.71 (Strategic Plan Goal 1:3)

Awards to Distressed areas: 58% (required minimum of 50%)

Awards to infrastructure: 44.3% (required minimum of 40%)

State Economic & Infrastructure Development Grants in Maine

Applications Received:

21

Total \$ Requested:

\$6,954,833

Total Funds Awarded:

\$3,242,078

% of Grants Awarded:

47.6%

of Opportunity Zones:

3

NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 10 awards made from the 21 applications submitted.

DISTRESSED COUNTIES

Maine awarded 85% of its funds to counties designated as distressed.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Maine awarded 76% of its funds to infrastructure projects, including water/sewer, broadband and transportation.

MATCH LEVERAGED

Maine's projects are leveraging \$7,417,521 in other funds to complete projects; a 1:8 ratio.



State of Maine: NBRC Award: 436,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$330,000
Location: CD-2 (Kennebec and Somerset Counties)

Purchase of a 32 mile rail corridor connecting 6 towns and the main artery ATV and snowmobile trail systems. 3 trestles and 5 bridges will eliminate unsafe water crossings.

Town of Rangeley: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$610,000
Location: CD-2 (Franklin County)

Upgrade key transportation infrastructure on Loon Lake Road; connecting Rangeley's industrial park/adjacent airport with downtown business district.

Johnson Hall, Inc: NBRC Award: \$387,092, Leveraged Cost Share: \$96,772
Location: CD-2 (Kennebec County)

Re-work a section of Mechanic Street to make the walkways accessible, expand the street facility for increased public parking and larger vehicle access.

Axiom Education: NBRC Award: \$79,136, Leveraged Cost Share: \$1,620,215
Location: CD-2 and CD-1 (All Maine Counties)

32 AmeriCorps volunteers and staff will provide digital literacy training for 10,000 adults at 237 learning sites to develop workforce skills that will increase employability.

Town of Madawaska: NBRC Award: \$500,000 Leveraged Cost Share: \$3,000,000
Location: CD-2 (Aroostook County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Reconstruct 3,000' of our Main Street to support the new bridge/border station from Canada which will allow for an increase of tourism to downtown businesses.

Our Katahdin: NBRC Award: \$200,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$557,133
Location: CD-2 (Penobscot County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Restore hydroelectric access to Our Katahdin's industrial site by repurposing a new substation, and providing power distribution to the Brownfield portion to create jobs.

Town of So. Thomaston: NBRC Award: \$330,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$91,500
Location: CD-1 (Knox County)

Reconstruct an 800 foot section of the Spruce Island Road which serves lobster processing co-ops and other fishing operations and restaurants. The road improvements are critical for 114 jobs.

Katahdin Area Trails: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$111,901
Location: CD-2 (Penobscot County)

Build 9 miles of bike trail on Hammond Ridge. The design includes multiuse, bidirectional, and a bike-only gravity trail, the first of its kind in Maine.

City of Ellsworth: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$800,000
Location: CD-2 (Hancock County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Upgrades the Water Street wastewater pump station which handles 2/3's of the flow in the City, and is at capacity. The work will increase the capacity and eliminate overflows.

Northern ME CC: NBRC Award: \$59,850, Leveraged Cost Share: \$200,000
Location: CD-2 (Aroostook County)

Replace ventilation system, upgrade overhead lighting to LED and provide an advanced systems hydraulic training simulator for the diesel hydraulics technology program.

State Economic & Infrastructure Development in New Hampshire

**Belknap Mill: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$258,228
Location: CD-1 (Belknap County)**

The project will renovate the interior of the Belknap Mill, stabilizing the historic structure and enabling increased educational programming and job creation/retention.

**Town of Lincoln: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$500,000
Location: CD-2 (Grafton County—Lincoln IAD)
Located in Opportunity Zone**

Allow for fireflow to an existing booster pump station at Crooked Mountain and a new 234,000 gal storage tank at Indian Mtn. for continuation of current and new businesses.

**Town of Newport: NBRC Award: \$354,183, Leveraged Cost Share: \$95,817
Location: CD-2 (Sullivan County)**

Replace the water intake pipe system that is currently 8'x9' & is constructed of 2"x6" pieces of wood at Gilman Pond. To prevent water bans and ensure business operations.

**Town of Carroll: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$81,250
Location: CD-2 (Coos County)**

The project will resolve storm drainage issues and create a proper intersection for the Public Safety and Town Administration Buildings to be constructed on School Street.

**Town of Groton: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$250,000
Location: CD-2 (Grafton County - Town of Groton, IAD)**

The Town of Groton would like to contract services with a company to repair one mile of road starting at the beginning of Sculptured Rocks Road and ending after the Sculptured Rocks State Park. This is a Class V Town Maintained Road.

**Meriden Village Water District: NBRC Award: \$376,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$94,000
Location: CD-2 (Sullivan County)**

Install a Rapid Infiltration Basin System at the Wastewater Treatment Facility to upgrade from a surface water discharge to a groundwater discharge.

**Southwest Region PC: NBRC Award: \$75,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$75,000
Location: CD-2 (Cheshire & Sullivan Counties)**

Planning and technical assistance to municipalities, businesses, and others to adopt policies and implement strategies that address economic development challenges, improving communities' capacity to attract and retain businesses, jobs and a skilled workforce.

**Turning Point Net: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$83,000
Location: CD-2 (Sullivan County)**

This project will renovate 231 Broad Street in Claremont, NH to serve as the main office for Turning Points Network. The larger facility will allow TPN to expand capacity to deliver our Economic Independence Program, increasing skilled workforce throughout the region.

Applications Received:
28
Total \$ Requested:
\$6,238,242
Total Funds Awarded:
\$3,768,293
% of Grants Awarded:
50%
of Opportunity Zones:
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NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 14 awards made from the 28 applications submitted.

DISTRESSED COUNTIES

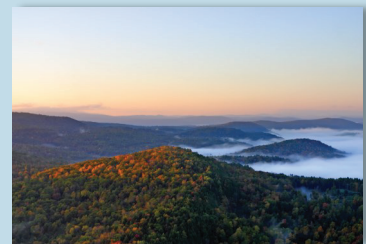
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Nansen Ski Club: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$62,500
Location: CD-2 (Coos County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

The project will redevelop the historic Nansen Ski Jump for the purpose of holding US Nordic sanctioned competitions and the development of a North Country youth jumping program, while at the same time promote economic development through recreation tourism.

Twin State Makerspace, Inc.: NBRC Award: \$164,800, Leveraged Cost Share: \$189,825
Location: CD-2 (Sullivan County)

Installation of rooftop solar power generation at the Claremont MakerSpace (CMS) in Claremont, NH. Savings on energy operating costs will be directly invested into education and workforce development programming to the benefit of the community.

Lakes Region Community College: NBRC Award: \$189,825, Leveraged Cost Share: \$330,000
Location: CD-1 (Belknap County)

Renovation of 4685 square feet of space to create two teaching laboratories and dining room facility to provide on-campus educational and training opportunities for those interested in entering the hospitality and tourism industries.

Community College System of NH: NBRC Award: \$199,843, Leveraged Cost Share: \$199,843
Location: CD-2 (Coos County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

The project will address critical technical skills/service gaps to retain and expand regional business through an Accredited Test Facility for welders and computer and technical skills training for Advanced Manufacturers and other businesses.

Town of Swanzey: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$544,300
Location: CD-2 (Cheshire)

The Project will reconstruct 0.95 miles of road, replace/construct 0.49 miles of sidewalk, and improve/construct 2,100 l.f. of closed drainage on South Winchester, West, and Swanzey Streets in West Swanzey village, supporting existing business and future development benefiting Swanzey and the region.

Colebrook Child Care: NBRC Award: \$158,642, Leveraged Cost Share: \$38,278
Location: CD-2 (Coos County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

The Project will renovate a child care facility. The renovation will also support teacher training and new program development. The facility will help bolster existing business and future development by providing access to child care and training, benefiting Colebrook and the region.

State Economic & Infrastructure Development Grants in New York

County of Orleans IDA: \$480,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$120,000
Location: CD-27 (Niagara and Orleans Counties)

Improvements to nine railroad bridges and culverts on the Falls Road Railroad in Orleans and Niagara Counties to maintain rail service and retain 225+ jobs.

Town of Wilmington: \$123,112, Leveraged Cost Share: \$30,778
Location: CD-21 (Essex County)

Acquire property to construct a decentralized wastewater treatment system to support economic development, attract new businesses and promote commercial expansion.

City of Auburn: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$325,000
Location: CD-24 (Cayuga County)

Replace 2,500 linear feet of 6-inch water main along NYS Route 34 increasing capacity to the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park and area businesses that support tourism.

Cornell Coop Ex. of Jefferson Cty: \$203,145, Leveraged Cost Share: \$80,144
Location: CD-21 (Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties)

Build food system capacity through a food hub. Technical assistance (food safety, regulatory, horticulture, and market expertise), develop/expand markets, and create jobs.

Village of Rouses Point: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$520,170
Location: CD-21 (Clinton County)

Install 1500' of road and secure land for water treatment facilities to increase capacity for future development and modernizing water treatment processes.

Village of Lake George: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$23,500,000
Location: CD-21 (Warren County)

A \$24MM WWTP replacement, will protect Lake George waters, reverse a moratorium impacting development and enable the tourism industry to thrive.

Washington County Sewer Dist.: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$5,152,923
Location: CD-21 (Washington County)

Locate 4000LF of Trunksewer from private lands to local roadway. Project will include stormwater separation and water line replacement.

Clinton County: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$2,500,000
Location: CD-21 (Clinton County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

2,350' of roadway with 2 11' car lanes, 2 5' bike lanes, stormwater sewer system, water and sewer main installation, for 30 developable acres.

Town of Elizabethtown: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$60,000
Location: CD-21 (Essex County)

The project will develop trail access, downtown connectivity, and information/education centers to reinforce ongoing efforts to make E'town a trail biking destination to redistribute overuse in the High Peaks region.

Applications Received:
44
Total \$ Requested:
\$16,331,656
Total Funds Awarded:
\$3,556,257
% of Grants Awarded:
47.6%
of Opportunity Zones:
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NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 9 awards made from the 44 applications submitted.

DISTRESSED COUNTIES

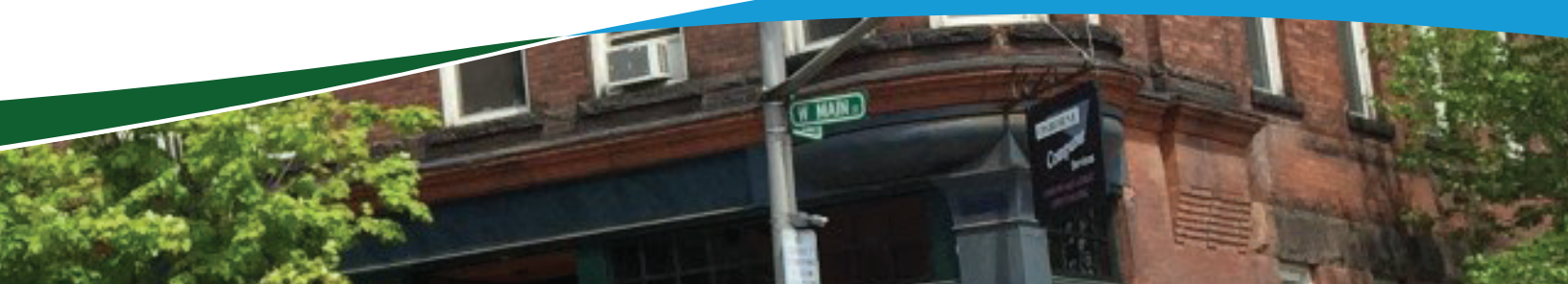
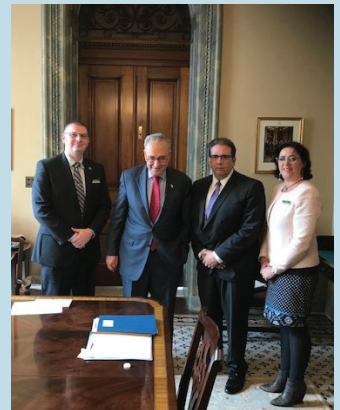
New York awarded 86% of its funds to counties designated as distressed.

INFRASTRUCTURE

New York awarded 84% of its funds to infrastructure projects, including water/sewer, broadband and transportation.

MATCH LEVERAGED

New York's projects are leveraging \$32,289,015 in other funds to complete projects; a 1:9.1 ratio.



State Economic & Infrastructure Development Grants in Vermont

Applications Received:
57
Total \$ Requested:
\$12,744,568
Total Funds Awarded:
\$3,386,118
% of Grants Awarded:
21%
of Opportunity Zones:
5

NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 12 awards made from the 57 applications submitted.

DISTRESSED COUNTIES

Vermont awarded 34% of its funds to counties designated as distressed.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Vermont awarded 53% of its funds to infrastructure projects, including water/sewer, broadband and transportation.

MATCH LEVERAGED

Vermont's projects are leveraging \$13,524,250 in other funds to complete projects; a 1:4 ratio.



City of Newport: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$363,500
Location: CD-1 (Orleans County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Improve pedestrian and motorist safety at Newport's downtown gateway (approx. 1,250 ft). Intersection alignment, new traffic light controls, poles and lighting. Replace underground conduit to link traffic signals at three intersections.

Let's Grow Kids: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$586,230
Location: CD-1 (All VT Counties)

Marketing, promotion and data analysis

VT Council on Rural Dev: NBRC Award: \$122,000, Lev Cost Share: \$70,000
Location: CD-1 (Orange, Rutland, Washington and Windsor Counties)

VCRD's Community Visits and Strategic Economic Interventions will build and advance economic revitalization projects and connect to financial and technical resources.

So Windsor Cty Incubator: NBRC Award: \$235,162, Lev. Cost Share: \$736,453
Location: CD-1 (Windsor County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

The project will support construction of the Black River Innovation Campus (BRIC) in Springfield, VT, creating at least 6 tech-based startup companies and 60 coding jobs.

City of Winooski: NBRC Award: \$450,000 Leveraged Cost Share: \$4,896,200
Location: CD-1 (Chittenden County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

The project includes modernization of infrastructure on Main Street including 0.75 miles of new water, stormwater/wastewater utility infrastructure, undergrounding the telecom and cable lines, and rebuilt streetscapes.

Northeastern VT Dev Assoc: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Lev Cost Share: \$93,290
Location: CD-1 (Caledonia, Essex and Orleans Counties)

Marketing the NEK as a trails-based destination, investing in trail infrastructure and supporting multi-town collaboration. Wayfinding, businesses links, and other amenities.

Burke Fire Dist. #1: NBRC Award: \$185,000, Lev Cost Share: \$3,395,000
Location: CD-1 (Caledonia County)

The project will replace/install 2.4 miles of water mains, services, a new well, storage tank and water meters. This will increase capacity & allow for growth, creating jobs.

VT Community Loan Fund: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$580,006
Location: CD-1 (All VT Counties)

Capitalize a RLF to meet the rural economic development needs for VT's working lands, forestry & outdoor recreation industries. Provide business development services to 15 businesses to create/preserve 88 jobs.

State Economic & Infrastructure Development Grants in Vermont Continued

Alburgh School District: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Lev Cost Share: \$750,000
Location: CD-1 (Grand Isle County)

Create a childcare center with daycare and after-school spots for 42 children on the site of Alburgh Community School.

VT Business Roundtable: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Lev Cost Share: \$134,615
Location: CD-1 (All VT Counties)

An industry-led talent development solution aligning training with industry needs. TPM will implement a data-driven process for educational and workforce partnerships.

City of St. Albans: NBRC Award: \$443,956, Leveraged Cost Share: \$443,956
Location: CD-1 (Franklin County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Construct a 650-foot public access road and install 118 ft of water main, 310 ft of sewer main, 700 ft of gas main, and 1,080 ft of stormwater drain line.

Town of Randolph: NBRC Award: \$450,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$1,475,000
Location: CD-1 (Orange County)
Located in Opportunity Zone

Replace the North Reservoir water tank with a 0.5-million-gallon tank, adjacent well house and pumping facilities with three new bedrock wells and treatment facilities to further economic development.

State Economic & Infrastructure Development Emergency Grants

Society for the Protection of NH Forests: NBRC Award: \$28,756, Leveraged Cost Share: \$45,989
Location: NH-2 (Grafton County—Vermont)

Assistance after devastating fire to replace lost uninsured items and ensure instruction of programs is maintained.

College of St. Joseph's: NBRC Award: \$50,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$67,337
Location: VT-1 (Rutland County - Vermont)

To generate feasibility and analysis after school closed—to see if there is ability to continue instruction in some form.

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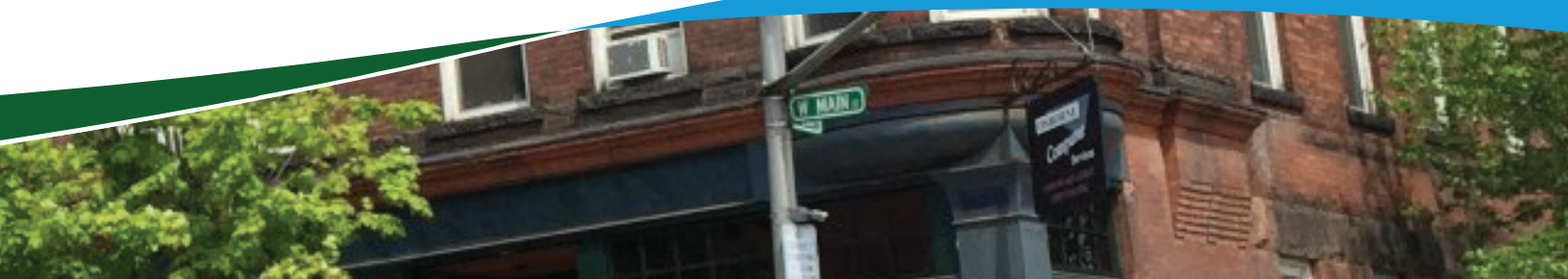
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● INFRASTRUCTURE

Vermont awarded 53% of its funds to infrastructure projects, including water/sewer, broadband and transportation.

● MATCH LEVERAGED

Vermont's projects are leveraging \$13,524,250 in other funds to complete projects; a 1:4 ratio.



Regional Forest Economy Partnership

Applications Received:
20
Total \$ Requested:
\$16,723,816
Total Funds Awarded:
\$7,119,999
% of Grants Awarded:
43%
**# of Opportunity Zones
Awarded:**
1

NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 9 awards made from the 20 applications submitted.

DISTRESSED COUNTIES

The Commission awarded 55% of its funds to counties designated as distressed.

INFRASTRUCTURE

The Commission awarded 0% of its funds to infrastructure projects, including water/sewer, broadband and transportation.

MATCH LEVERAGED

The projects are leveraging \$6,488,298 in other funds to complete projects; a 1:0.9 ratio.

**Brattleboro Development Credit Corp: NBRC Award: \$1,000,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$1,012,550
Location: VT-1 (Windham County)**

Due diligence and planning to include: formation of oversight team, engineering, feasibility of project design options, construction drawings and permitting.

**University of Maine: NBRC Award: \$1,000,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$999,981
Location: ME-1, ME-2 (All Maine Counties)**

Construction of a demonstration pilot plant and evaluation of mills within the 4 states for suitability for CNF plant

**Town of East Millinocket: NBRC Award: \$450,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$2,070,000
Location: ME-2 (Penobscot County)**

Purchase of a mill in East Millinocket

**Vermont Technical College: NBRC Award: \$1,000,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$300,000
Location: VT-1 (All VT)**

Workforce development and training in the forestry and wood products industry

**Workforce Development Institute: NBRC Award: \$571,267, Leveraged Cost Share: \$168,664
Location: NY-21 (NY Counties)**

Workforce development training; program development

**NH Preservation Alliance: NBRC Award: \$1,000,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$511,798
Location: All NBRC Counties**

Development of an interstate shared Northeast Heritage Economy Program that subgrants to community-driven preservation projects in downtowns and historic places.

**Northern Forest Center: NBRC Award: \$908,277, Leveraged Cost Share: \$227,069
Location: VT-1, NH-2, ME-2 (Many Counties)**

Technical assistance to promote recreation in the region; hold destination development workshops; subgrant \$700K to entities.

**Vermont Housing & Conservation Board: NBRC Award: \$624,059, Leveraged Cost Share: \$336,032
Location: All NBRC Counties**

Technical assistance to farm and food businesses; provide programs and services

**Maine Development Foundation: NBRC Award: \$646,396, Leveraged Cost Share: \$862,204
Location: ME-1, ME-2 (All Maine Counties)**

Creation of steering committee and subgrant program that will assist communities negatively affected by the decline in the forest-based economy.

EDA Collaboration Awards Made Through Funds Transferred from the Economic Development Administration

Total Funds Awarded:
\$2,675,130

of Opportunity Zones:
3

● NUMBER OF AWARDS

There were 6 awards made from the NBRC program applications submitted.

● MATCH LEVERAGED

Projects are leveraging \$13,393,561 in other funds to complete projects.

**St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency: NBRC Award: \$535,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$535,000
Location: NY-21 (St. Lawrence County)**

Purchase equipment; debarker, kiln, pallet maker

**Wayne County Water and Sewer Authority: NBRC Award: \$500,000 Leveraged Cost Share: \$8,740,000
Location: NY-24 (Wayne County)**

Installation of 2MM gallon ton storage tank, approx. 80K linear ft of waterline and pump improvements.

**Town of Bristol, VT: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$897,430
Location: VT-1 (Addison County)**

Infrastructure improvements to support the development of an existing business park to include sidewalk, road, phone/data lines/ electric and storm drainage

**Mars Hill Utility District: NBRC Award: \$500,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$1,171,000
Location: ME-2 (Aroostook County)**

Drill two wells to establish groundwater based drinking water system

**Northeast Kingdom Development Corporation: NBRC Award: \$359,760, Leveraged Cost Share: \$359,760
Location: VT-1 (Caledonia, Essex and Orleans Counties)**

Installation of cabling, transformers etc. to create electrical infrastructure to deliver power from the existing Gilman Mill to Bag Mill.

**Town of Littleton, NH: NBRC Award: \$250,000, Leveraged Cost Share: \$400,000
Location: NH-2 (Grafton County)**

Purchase 5-acre parcel in order to construct parking lot; construction of a recreational area including pavilion for ice skating and farmer's market





Northern Border Regional Commission