

**2018 Northern Border Regional Commission Grant Awards
July 25, 2018**

Vermont:

NBRC18GVT01

- Town of Fairfax (Franklin County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$263,055 – Total Project: \$1,000,000
- Contact: Steve Corner, 802-849-6111 sbchair@fairfax-vt.gov
- Project Description: Project extends municipal water and wastewater infrastructure to a commercial property purchased by a Vermont forest product company projecting 100+ new jobs for Fairfax. This will increase utility revenues and provide further employment options by enabling the property to house future businesses.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT02

- Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (Multiple Counties, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$219,213 – Total Project: \$414,241
- Contact: Emily Boedecker, 802-828-1556 emily.boedecker@vermont.gov
- Project Description: DEC will help three pilot villages (Wolcott, East Burke, and West Burke) that have no municipal sewers arrive at a financially viable approaches to wastewater treatment that can be replicated throughout Vermont, facilitating job creation by making redevelopment of vacant buildings possible and priming villages for business investment.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT03

- Lyndon State College now - Northern Vermont University (Caledonia County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$217,665 – Project Total: \$321,535
- Contact: Sharon Scott, 802-626-6410 sharon.scott@northernvermont.edu
- Project Description: Creates a Coworking Space to support business development and link area residents to workforce education opportunities for sectors in high demand while adding vibrancy to downtown Lyndonville. Coworking will create 66 jobs in 2019 and certify 250 people in employer-valued credentials.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT04

- Town of Burke, VT / Kingdom Trails (Caledonia County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$438,426 – Total Project: \$956,000
- Contact: Joe Allard, 802-473-3918 JoeA@ruraledge.org
- Project Description: A partnership project to rehabilitate the roadway and improve drainage on ~.7 miles of East Darling Hill Rd in East Burke, VT, add 5ft of uphill bike lane, acquire two adjacent parcels to improve safety, and facilitate continued recreation-based job growth in the town and region at large.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT05

- Preservation Trust of Vermont (Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille and Orleans Counties, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$219,213 – Total Project: \$384,616

- Contact: Paul Bruhn, 802-343-0595 paul@ptvermont.org
- Project Description: This project will establish a fund to provide grants to help the development of community and nonprofit-supported village stores, cafes, and restaurants/pubs in small downtowns. These businesses add economic vitality to small communities and provide the places where residents connect with each other.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT06

- Vermont Council on Rural Development (Franklin County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$17,538 – Total Project: \$ 40,000
- Contact: Paul Costello, 802-223-5763 pcostello@vtrural.org
- Project Description: A Community Visit Process will bring residents together to build and advance 3-5 community and economic revitalization projects for the long-term economic and cultural benefit of the community as well as to connect financial and technical resources to support their efforts.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT07

- St. Johnsbury Development Fund (Caledonia County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$192,907 – Project Total: \$401,000
- Contact: Daniel Kimbell, 802-751-4334 dkimbell@passumpsicfinadvisors.com
- Project Description: The St. Johnsbury Development Fund will rehabilitate the “Core & Shell” of a 12,000SF vacant commercial/industrial building at 131 Railroad Street, St. Johnsbury, VT, under these Phase 1 Building System.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT08

- Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC), (Franklin County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$219,213 – Total Project: \$3,187,500
- Contact: Tim Smith, 802-524-2194 Tim@fcidc.com
- Project Description: FCIDC will construct a building and lease it to a start-up business. 11-14 jobs will be created. There are no other industrial buildings in Franklin County. With this project FCIDC’s private investment of \$6 million is expected to attract at least 1 new business within 3 years.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT09

- Northwest Vermont Rail Trail Council (Franklin County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$59,187 – Total Project: \$147,000
- Contact: David Stanley, 802-524-5948 aadams@nrpcvt.com
- Project Description: Develop and implement a Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail Marketing Plan to boost the region’s tourism and recreation economy. It will clarify marketing goals, develop promotional materials, increase use through events and wayfinding, support business development, and complete trailhead designs.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT10

- Northern Community Investment Corporation (NCIC), (Carroll, Coos and Grafton Counties, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$219,213 – Total Project: \$312,500
- Contact: Jon Freeman, 802-748-1888 jfreeman@ncic.org
- Project Description: Highlight professional/recreational opportunities to retain/attract youth and workers in Northeast Kingdom. Develop targeted recruitment and marketing in conjunction with

ThinkVT / MOVE. Outcomes will be increased promotion and decrease in job and housing vacancies.

- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT11

- Lamoille County Planning Commission (Lamoille County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$345,041 – Project Total: \$787,000
- Contact: Tasha Wallis, 802-851-6346 tasha2@lcpvvt.org
- Project Description: Relocate existing on-road parking in Smugglers' Notch to central locations to use capacity of transportation infrastructure more efficiently. Project will reduce congestion, improve safety, reduce impacts to fragile vegetation, and create a more welcoming environment for increased visitor use.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT12

- Hazen Union High School, Hardwick, VT (Caledonia County, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$175,370 – Total Award: \$369,400
- Contact: Joanne Leblanc, 802-472-6231 jleblanc@ossu.org
- Project Description: Build a career Academy focusing on employer-led approach to create a career pipeline for workforce development. Through business partnerships the Academy will focus on entrepreneurship, skill and business development, apprenticeships, and employment education.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT13

- Vermont Housing & Conservation Board (Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille and Orleans Counties, VT)
- Amount of Awarded: \$164,131 – Total Project: \$234,178
- Contact: Gustave Seelig, 802-828-3250 gus@vhcb.org
- Project Description: Thirty working lands enterprises will receive in-depth, on-on-on business planning and technical assistance, resulting in 15% increase in sales, 60% increase in net income, 75 FTEs retained, 15 FTEs created, and over \$1.8M in capital secured.
- Congressional District: VT-00

NBRC18GVT14

- Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund (Multiple Counties, VT)
- Amount of Award: \$131,528 – Total Project: \$375,000
- Contact: Ellen Kahler, 802-828-5320 ellen@vsjf.org
- Project Description: This project will build capacity and resiliency within Vermont's forest and wood products industry, cultivate new and existing forest and wood product businesses and connect them with the business services and infrastructure they need to expand and increase job opportunities in Northern Vermont.
- Congressional District: VT-00

Total Vermont Northern Border Regional Commission Grants for 2018: \$2,881,700

Total Infrastructure Awards: \$1,046,522 – 36%