

# Quick Guide to Funding Sources for Transportation Projects

Southern Windsor County, Vermont

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Program	Website/ More info	Agency	Contact	Type	Local Match	Use and Eligibility	Notes
<b>HIGHWAY, BRIDGES OR CULVERTS</b>							
Town Highway Grants	Orange Book	VTrans	DTA	Annual allocation (mileage based)	None	TH & bridge maintenance for Class 1, 2 & 3 TH	
TH Class 2 Roadway Program	Orange Book	VTrans	DTA	Grant from DTA	30% or less	Resurfacing and reconstruction for Class 2 TH	Up to \$150k per project
TH Bridge Program	Orange Book	VTrans	Mike Hedges, Katharine Otto	Managed by VTrans	10% or less	Major rehabilitation or reconstruction of any structure over 6ft on Class 1, 2 & 3 TH	Pre-Candidate regional ranking in Jan/Feb each year. Project choice is initiated by VTrans
TH Structures Program	Orange Book	VTrans	DTA	Grant from DTA	20% or less	Bridge maintenace, preservation or repair of any structure over 6ft on Class 1, 2 & 3 TH	Up to \$175k per project
Adaptive Use Bridge Program	<a href="http://historicbridges.vermont.gov/program-documents">http://historicbridges.vermont.gov/program-documents</a>	VTrans	Sue Scribner	Unknown	20%	Rehabilitation of historic metal trus bridge for adaptive re-use (Bike-ped)	
Better Backroads Program (Category B)	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads</a>	VTrans	Alan May	Competitive Grant	20%	Correction of a road related erosion problem and/or stormwater mitigation/ retrofit	GRANT CHANGE DEC 2015. Up to \$25k per project. Water quality and erosion focus. Applications due Spring.
Better Backroads Program (Category C)	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads</a>	VTrans	Alan May	Competitive Grant	20%	Correction of a stream bank or sloped related problem	GRANT CHANGE DEC 2015. Up to \$50k per project. Water quality and erosion focus. Applications due Spring.
Better Backroads Program (Category D)	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-back-roads</a>	VTrans	Alan May	Competitive Grant	20%	Structure/ culvert upgrades	GRANT CHANGE DEC 2015. Up to \$50k per project. Water quality and erosion focus. Applications due Spring.
Ecosystem Restoration Program (formerly "Clean and Clear")	<a href="http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov/grants.htm">http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov/grants.htm</a>	ANR	David Pasco	Competitive Grant	Depends	Includes a project category for "Road-related runoff or erosion mitigation"	2 rounds of applications per year - Spring and Fall. Project needs a connection to River/ Basin Plan.
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	<a href="http://vem.vermont.gov/mitigation">http://vem.vermont.gov/mitigation</a>	FEMA	Ray Doherty	Competitive Grant	25%	Any project that prevents future loss due to natural disaster	Deadlines happen at a variety of times depending on the "round" of funding.
Flood Mitigation Assistance program (FMA)	<a href="http://www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-program">www.fema.gov/flood-mitigation-assistance-program</a>	FEMA	Ray Doherty	Competitive Grant	Depends	Reduce or eliminate risk of flood damaged to buildings under National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)	
Pre Disaster Mitigation Program	<a href="http://www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program">www.fema.gov/pre-disaster-mitigation-grant-program</a>	FEMA	Ray Doherty	Competitive Grant	Depends	Reduce risk to people and structures	
Emergency Watershed Protection Program	<a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/vt/programs/planning/ewpp/">http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/vt/programs/planning/ewpp/</a>	NRCS	Jennifer Varin	Unknown	25% or more	Undertake emergency measures to safeguard lives and property from flood and erosion after a watershed is suddenly changed by natural disaster	

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<b>PARK AND RIDE LOTS</b>							
Municipal Park and Ride Program	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/parkandride">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/parkandride</a>	VTrans	Wayne Davis	Competitive grant	None	Small municipally owned and maintained P&R facilities near state highway	Applications due July/ August
<b>BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES</b>							
Transportation Alternatives Grant Program (TAP)	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/transportation-alternatives">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/transportation-alternatives</a>	VTrans	Scott Robertson	Competitive grant	20% min.	Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities, Safe Routes to School infrastructure, and some other projects. New emphasis in 2015 for stormwater related projects	Formerly "Transportation Enhancements". Up to \$300k per project. All projects evaluated against federal criteria. Applications due Sept/ Oct
Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Program	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/bike-ped">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/local-projects/bike-ped</a>	VTrans	Jon Kaplan	Competitive grant	10%	Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities, scoping, design and construction	Applications due June/ July
Recreation Trails Grant Program	<a href="http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grants/rtp">http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grants/rtp</a>	DFPR	Sherry Winnie	Competitive grant	20% min.	Maintenance, restoration and construction of recreational trails	Applications due Jan/ Feb
<b>OTHER PURPOSES</b>							
State Infrastructure Bank	<a href="http://www.veda.org/financing-options/other-financing-option/state-infrastructure-bank-program/">http://www.veda.org/financing-options/other-financing-option/state-infrastructure-bank-program/</a>	VTrans & VEDA	Karen Songhurst	Loan	N/A	Any transportation project that is eligible for federal funds	Can apply for funds at any time
Better Backroads Program (Category A)	<a href="http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-backroads">http://vtransengineering.vermont.gov/bureaus/mab/better-backroads</a>	VTrans	Alan May	Competitive Grant	20%	Transportation inventories and capital budgets	GRANT CHANGE DEC 2015. Up to \$10k per project. Water quality and erosion focus. Applications due Spring.
Downtown Transportation Fund Grant	<a href="http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_transportation_fund">http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/downtown_transportation_fund</a>	DHCD	Gary Holloway	Competitive Grant	50%	Transportation improvements in Designated Downtown	Up to \$100k per town per year. Applications due March
Strong Communities, Better Connections (SCBC) Program	<a href="http://vtransplanning.vermont.gov/programs/scbc">http://vtransplanning.vermont.gov/programs/scbc</a>	VTrans/ DHCD	Jackie Cassino, Rich Amore	Competitive Grant	Unknown	Focus on transportation, land use and Livability	Pilot launched in 2014
Transportation Planning Initiative	<a href="http://swcrpc.org/transportation/">http://swcrpc.org/transportation/</a>	SWCRPC	Katharine Otto	Discretionary	Depends	Inventories, capital budgets, counts, any transportation planning project	Depends on needs and available funds/ staff
Vermont Local Roads (VLR) (LTAP)	<a href="http://vermontlocalroads.org/">http://vermontlocalroads.org/</a>	VTrans	Kevin Gadapee	Local Technical Assistance	None	Information, training and technical assistance	
Community Development Block Grant	<a href="http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/cdbgdr">http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/cdbgdr</a>	ACCD	Cindy Blondin				
Municipal Planning Grant (MPG)	<a href="http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/overview/municipal_planning_grants">http://accd.vermont.gov/strong_communities/opportunities/funding/overview/municipal_planning_grants</a>	ACCD	Annina Seiler	Competitive Grant		Can be used for capital budget planning and downtown master plans - both of which have transportation components	Applications due end of September each year

VTrans Orange Book - A Handbook for Local Officials [http://vtransoperations.vermont.gov/sites/aot\\_operations/files/documents/AOT-OPS\\_OrangeBook.pdf](http://vtransoperations.vermont.gov/sites/aot_operations/files/documents/AOT-OPS_OrangeBook.pdf)

### Abbreviations

FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
DEMHS	Dept of Emergency Management and Homeland Security
VEDA	VT Economic Development Authority
DFPR	VT Dept of Forests, Parks and Recreation
DHCD	VT Dept of Housing and Community Development
DTA	VTrans District Transportation Administrator
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
Hwy	Highway
LTAP	Local Technical Assistance Program
MAB	VTrans Municipal Assistance Bureau
NRCS	US Dept of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service
SCBC	Strong Communtiiies, Better Connections Program
SWCRPC	Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission
TAP	Transportation Alternatives Program
TH	Town Highway
VLR	Vermont Local Roads
VTrans	Vermont Agency of Transportation
ANR	Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

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District 4 - Tammy Ellis	Reading, West Windsor, Windsor