



## Community & Economic Development Grants

### AARP

<https://www.aarp.org/aarp-foundation/grants/>

- **Community Challenge Grants**  
This program supports the efforts of neighborhoods, towns, cities and rural areas to be great places for people of all ages. The program is intended to help communities make immediate improvements and jump-start long-term progress in support of residents of all ages.

### Awesome Foundation

<https://www.awesomefoundation.org>

- **Awesome Foundation Grants**  
The Awesome Foundation is a global community advancing the interest of awesome in the universe, \$1000 at a time. Each fully autonomous chapter supports awesome projects through micro-grants, usually given out monthly. These micro-grants, \$1000 or the local equivalent, come out of pockets of the chapter's "trustees" and are given on a no-strings-attached basis to people and groups working on awesome projects.

### Bangor Savings Bank Foundation

<https://www.bangor.com>

- **Bangor Savings Bank Foundation Grants**  
The Bangor Savings Bank Foundation's role is to focus philanthropic efforts on initiatives that will make our communities more prosperous, more livable, and more vibrant. Its focus areas are in workforce and economic development. The grants are between \$2,000 and \$25,000 to 501 (c) (3) organizations working on improving Maine and New Hampshire's regional and statewide economies.

### Bank of America Charitable Foundation

<https://about.bankofamerica.com>

- **Bank of America Charitable Foundation Grants**  
The Foundation works to advance pathways to economic mobility in order to build thriving communities. Grants are for nonprofit organizations that serve specific states and regions, including New Hampshire.

### Bank of New Hampshire

<https://banknh.com/>

- **Charitable Foundation Grant**  
The Bank of New Hampshire Charitable Foundation works to advance pathways to economic mobility in order to build thriving communities. Grants are provided to nonprofit organizations that serve specific states and regions, including New Hampshire. Provides support for affordable housing, community revitalization, arts, and the environment.

### Capital Regional Development Corp.

<https://www.crdc-nh.com>

- **Community Grant**  
Grant between \$2,500 and \$5,000 for municipalities and nonprofits to identify community development projects that result in renovation or repurposing of underdeveloped, high-visibility, or downtown buildings. This grant is available only to communities in Sullivan, Merrimack, and Hillsborough counties.

### Citizens Bank

<https://www.citizensbank.com>

- **Citizens Helping Citizens Grant**  
Citizens Bank awards grants to fight hunger, provide shelter, teach money management, and strengthen communities.

## Citizens' Institute on Rural Design (CIRD)

<https://www.rural-design.org>

- **CIRD Grant**  
Supports community placemaking. The program has two different opportunities to connect rural residents with resources and ideas for developing locally driven solutions to community design challenges. Applicant organizations must be from a rural or tribal community of 50,000 or less, that is rural in character.

## Community-based Archives

<https://mellon.org>

- **The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant**  
Grant invites community-based archives in the U.S. and its territories to submit proposals to fund one or more of the following areas of need: operational support, collection care, or programming outreach.

## Community Development

### Finance Authority

<https://www.nhcdfa.org>

- **Tax Credit Program**  
Investment program for qualified organizations for specific projects or programs that show a high degree of community support, build partnerships, and leverage other funds.
- **L5 Capacity Program**  
Provides resources to strengthen NH non-profit organizations focused on community development. Funds can be used to strengthen organizational infrastructure and program development.
- **Clean Energy Fund Grant**  
Loan and credit enhancement program for businesses, nonprofits, and municipalities to finance energy efficiency improvements and/or renewable energy generation projects.
- **Economic Development Grants and Loans**  
Grant to help create jobs that provide good wages, benefits, and training programs. Can be used for acquisition of land and building, construction of commercial buildings, purchase of machinery and equipment, employee training, and public facilities improvement.

- **Housing and Public Facilities Grants**  
Provides funding for affordable housing and housing rehabilitation, water and sewer system improvements, transitional and homeless shelters, municipal infrastructure, handicapped access, and community centers.
- **Ideas to Innovation Grant**  
Grant to assist nonprofits in developing new ideas, thinking, and innovation in community and economic development efforts throughout the state.
- **Planning Grants**  
Grant for up to \$12,000 for planning and feasibility related activities to determine whether or not a proposed CDFA funded project is viable. Eligible activities include income surveys, architectural and engineering design, cost estimates, and market analysis.

## Economic Development Administration Grants

<https://www.eda.gov>

- **Regional Innovation (RIS) Program Grants**  
EDA's office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship has many grant opportunities.

## Good360

<https://good360.org>

- **Good360 Grants**  
Good360 is the largest charity in the world that focuses on new product donations from corporations. They then provide these new products to 150,000 community charities in America and throughout the world.

## Google

<https://www.google.com/grants/>

- **Google Ad Grants**  
Google Ad Grants works just like Google Ads online advertising, by displaying your message to people who are searching for nonprofits like yours. If you're a qualifying nonprofit, you'll receive \$10,000 USD in in-kind Google Ads advertising every month.

## Kresge Foundation

<https://kresge.org>

- **The Kresge Foundation National Networks Grant**  
Funding invests in national intermediaries committed to equitable community development practices and Kresge's brand of Creative Placemaking.

## New Hampshire Charitable Foundation

<https://www.nhcf.org>

- **Community Grants – Express Grants**  
This competitive grants program awards project support of \$5,000 or less to eligible organizations. Applicants must be recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or be a school, municipality or other subdivision of government.
- **Unrestricted Community Grants**  
This competitive grants program awards unrestricted grants to support an organization's general operations (rather than a particular project or capacity-building effort). Grant awards can be \$30,000/3 years or up to \$60,000/3 years.
- **Neil and Louise Tillotson Fund Local Grants Program**  
This fund supports projects in Coös County, NH and bordering communities in the United States and Canada that focus on community revitalization. This grant program awards support of \$20,000 or less to eligible organizations.
- **Neil and Louise Tillotson Fund Large Grants Program**  
This fund supports projects in Coös County, NH and bordering communities in the United States and Canada that focus on community revitalization. This grant program awards support of \$20,001 to \$300,000 to eligible organizations.
- **Nonprofit Loan Program**  
The Nonprofit Loan Program is focused on strengthening nonprofits, helping them have greater impact in the community, through sound financial management and greater access to working capital.

## NH Department of Transportation

<https://www.nh.gov/dot/business/municipalities.htm#funding>

- **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program**  
The CMAQ program is a federally funded reimbursement program that provides up to 80% of funds for projects that improve air quality by reducing the amount of vehicular emissions. Types of projects funded include alternative fuel projects, transit investments, projects that improve traffic flow, and non-recreational bicycle and pedestrian improvements.
- **Safe Routes to School Program**  
This program funds planning projects that identify measures that may encourage more students to bike and walk to school within a 2-mile radius.
- **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**  
TAP provides funding for alternative transportation projects, such as on-and-off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, rail trail improvements, and safe routes to school projects.

## New Hampshire Housing

<https://www.nhhfa.org>

- **Incubator Grants**  
These grants provide up to \$50,000 (up to \$20,000 for start-up organizations) in funding and are available to nonprofit economic development or community development organizations, including organizations that have not traditionally participated in housing advocacy with New Hampshire Housing, that propose to establish a workforce housing education and advocacy program, or start-up organizations whose primary mission is workforce housing education and advocacy. These are one-time-only grants with no matching funds required.
- **Impact Grants**  
Grants of up to \$40,000 are available to nonprofit economic development or community development organizations that have existing workforce housing education and advocacy programs, or nonprofit organizations whose primary mission is workforce housing education and advocacy. Organizations must be established for at least one year and dollar-for-dollar matching

funds are required. Grant awards are based on a review of the work plan and the funding resources needed to fulfill the organization's work plan.

- **Mini Grants**

Mini Grants are made in amounts of up to \$5,000 and are available to support the housing education and advocacy efforts of local or regional business groups, economic development groups, ad hoc groups, business and community leaders, service organizations, nonprofit organizations and local governments. Eligible activities also include the funding of technical assistance (by third parties) to explore housing friendly land use regulations and may also be used to research the feasibility of starting a local or regional housing advocacy initiative. No match is required; however the availability of matching funds will be a consideration in the funding decisions.

- **Harvey Schwartz Housing Policy Education Fund**

The Harvey Schwartz Housing Policy Education Fund provides individuals from the nonprofit and public sectors an opportunity to access training to improve their knowledge of and participation in housing policy issues statewide. Individuals employed by nonprofit organizations, as well as employees, appointed officials, and volunteers of county and municipal government, are eligible to receive up to \$1,000 per event, per person. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. The award honors former NHHFA board member Harvey Schwartz's commitment and dedication to public affairs.

## **NH Preservation Alliance**

<https://nhpreservation.org>

- **Mini Grant & Preservation Assessment Grant**

The NH Preservation Alliance funds planning grants for building assessments or re-use studies. This two-tiered grant program offers Mini Grants (\$500) and Preservation Assessment Grants (up to \$4,500). Mini grants are useful for smaller projects or for second opinions. Condition assessments are for buildings with complex needs, or for work that is expected to cost more than \$50,000. Condition assessments generally explore a building's structural issues, outdated systems, issues of access, general conditions, and/or code compliance.

## **New Hampshire State Arts Council**

<https://www.nh.gov/nharts/>

- **Public Value Partnership Grants**

Public Value Partnerships for general operating support of nonprofit cultural organizations are an investment in the cultural infrastructure and creative economy of New Hampshire. The creative economy is made up of artists, not-for-profit organizations and creative businesses that positively impact quality of life in communities, generate jobs and produce revenue for municipalities, cities and the state.

- **Arts for Community Engagement (ACE) Grant**

Arts for Community Engagement project grants support community enrichment and provide public benefits to New Hampshire by providing access to high quality arts performances, activities, and programs presented by community-based organizations, Main Street programs, and municipalities.

## **Northern Border Regional Commission**

<https://www.nbrc.gov>

- **Economic Infrastructure Grants**

For employment generating projects that have helped reduce poverty, unemployment, and out-migration.

## **Plan NH**

<https://plannh.org>

- **NH Municipal Technical Assistance Grant (MTAG) Program**

Funded by New Hampshire Housing and administered by Plan NH, the MTAG Program is for New Hampshire communities who want to expand options for places to live (e.g. by location, and/or design and/or price-point) and need to change their zoning regulations in order to do so. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$20,000. A 25% cash match is required. Grant funds are for hiring consultants to review current regulations and re-writing what's there and/or creating new ones to address the wants and needs of the community's members regarding housing choices.

## Singing for Change

<https://www.singingforchange.org>

- **Singing for Change Grant**  
Singing for Change funds organizations that inspire personal growth, community integration and the enhanced awareness that collectively, people can bring about positive change. Most likely to be considered are organizations that keep their overhead low and collaborate with other groups in their community to find innovative ways of solving a common problem.

## Social Environmental Design (SEED) Network

<https://seednetwork.org>

- **Seed Evaluator 4.0 Grant**  
SEED Certification is granted to a design project after an independent third-party review determines that the social, economic, and environmental outcomes of that project are in keeping with the SEED Mission and Principles.

## The Couch Family Foundation

<https://www.couchfoundation.org>

- **General Grant**  
Their mission is to support quality opportunities for children and families. They focus on Northern New England, with an emphasis on the Upper Valley Region in New Hampshire and Vermont. They fund innovative projects.

## USDA Grants

<https://www.rd.usda.gov>

- **Rural Business Development Grants**  
Support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities for rural businesses. Grants used for training, acquisition of land, incubators, revolving loan funds, and economic development. Generally range from \$10,000-\$500,000.
- **Rural Cooperative Development Grant Program**  
Helps improve the economic condition of rural areas by helping individuals and businesses start, expand, or improve rural cooperatives and other mutually-owned businesses. Funds can be used for conducting feasibility studies, writing business plans, training, and strategic planning.

- **Community Facilities Programs**  
Funds used to construct, expand, or improve facilities that provide healthcare, education, public safety, and public services. There are a number of different types of grants depending on community characteristics.
- **Water and Waste Disposal Grants**  
Funding for clean and reliable drinking water, sewage disposal, and stormwater drainage in rural areas that are not otherwise able to obtain credit.
- **Farmers Market Promotion Program**  
The purpose of the Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) is to increase domestic consumption of, and access to, locally and regionally produced agricultural products, and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets by developing, improving, expanding, and providing outreach, training, and technical assistance to, or assisting in the development, improvement, and expansion of, domestic farmers markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, agritourism activities, and other direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities.
- **General Grants**  
The USDA has numerous grants focusing on housing, emergency response, water and wastewater, broadband, etc.

## General Grants

### Bean Foundation

<https://www.beanfoundation.org>

- **Bean Foundation Grant**  
The Bean Foundation awards grants in the fields of arts and humanities, education, environment, health, human services, and public/society benefit. Grants are only available for nonprofit organizations that serve Manchester and Amherst.

### Kars4Kids

<https://www.kars4kidsgrants.org>

- **Kars4Kids Grants**  
The Kars4Kids Small Grant program is dedicated to supporting educational initiatives around the world, helping us impact more children.

### Lincoln Financial Group

<https://www.lfg.com>

- **Champions in Action Grant**  
Grants awarded quarterly and each year the theme for the grant changes. This past year, it was focused on art education. The grant is for \$35,000 in unrestricted funds.

### TD Bank Charitable Foundation

<https://www.tdbank.com>

- **Nonprofit Training Resource Fund Grant**  
The Nonprofit Training Resource Fund, an initiative of the TD Charitable Foundation, provides grants to charitable organizations for employees to attend approved classes and courses that will enhance job

performance. Grants up to \$1,000 will be awarded to organizations within the TD Bank market area on the East Coast that focus on affordable housing, economic development, financial literacy, or after-school and extracurricular programming.

### The Fuller Foundation

<https://fullerfoundation.org>

- **Fuller Foundation Grant**  
Supports nonprofit agencies which improve the quality of life for people, animals, and the environment. NH Geographic focus is the seacoast area.

### The Kendal C. and Anna Ham Charitable Foundation

<https://www.hamcharitablefoundation.org/>

- **The Kendal C. and Anna Ham Charitable Foundation**  
This foundation makes grants to support organizations working to improve the quality of life for residents in the Mount Washington Valley.

### Travelocity

<https://www.travelocity.com>

- **Change Ambassadors Grant**  
Travelocity's Travel for Good program offers the Change Ambassadors Grant to help support Americans who wish to travel to participate in volunteer opportunities.

## Health Grants

### Anthem Foundation

<https://www.anthemcorporateresponsibility.com/funding-options>

- **Anthem Foundation Program Grants**  
Anthem Foundation Program Grants support ongoing community health programs with proven and measurable outcomes. The grant program invests in traditional and nontraditional problem-solving approaches. These include programs that provide services directly to people and those that change systems to transform healthcare.

### EPA Grants

<http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice>

- **The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving (CPS) Cooperative Agreement Program**  
This program provides funding for eligible applicants for projects that address local environmental and public health issues within an affected community. The CPS Program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships to help them understand and address environmental and public health concerns in their communities.

- **The Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**

This program supports and empowers communities working on solutions to local environmental and public health issues. The program is designed to help communities understand and address exposure to multiple environmental harms and risks.

## healthcare GIVES

<http://www.healthcaregives.org/>

- **healthcareGives Annual Grant**

HealthcareGIVES is a giving circle of medical professionals who support not-for-profits in the Seacoast area of New Hampshire and Maine. Grants have ranged from \$15,000 to \$40,000 in a year and are awarded to a not-for-profit organization. Each year, the grant has a different focus on health, such as improving dental health in 2019.

## New Hampshire Children's Health Foundation

<https://nhchildrenshealthfoundation.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

- **Call for Responsive Grants**

This foundation makes grants, up to \$20,000 for a single year and up to \$60,000 for a multi-year, projects that address childhood obesity prevention, promoting oral health, and reducing food insecurity.

## New Hampshire Endowment for Health

<https://www.endowmentforhealth.org>

- **NH Endowment for Health Grant**

This grant is typically \$2K-\$20K to help communities with any projects that seek to improve health and well being. Focus on reaching diverse audiences.

## New Hampshire State Arts Council

<https://www.nh.gov/nharts/>

- **Arts in Health Projects Grants**

Arts in Health Project Grants support arts activities, presentations and artist residencies that occur in health care facilities, rehabilitation centers, and in centers serving the needs of the elderly. The overall goal of this grant category is to utilize the arts to enhance quality of life and promote an environment conducive to healing for patients, residents, staff and/or clients. This grant category is in response to the Arts Council's commitment to meeting the needs of underserved populations, which can include the elderly, people with disabilities, and people with health challenges.

## Northeast Delta Dental Foundation

<https://www.nedelta.com>

- **Northeast Delta Dental Foundation Grants**

The foundation makes grants, typically of \$5,000 or less, to support oral health initiatives.

## Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants-and-grant-programs.html>

- **Evidence for Action Program**

Evidence for Action (E4A), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), funds research that expands the evidence needed to build a Culture of Health. A Culture of Health is broadly defined as one in which good health and well-being flourish across geographic, demographic, and social sectors; public and private decision-making is guided by the goal of fostering equitable communities; and everyone has the opportunity to make choices that lead to healthy lifestyles. RWJF's Culture of Health Action Framework, which was developed to catalyze a national movement toward improved health, well-being, and equity, guides E4A's program strategy. There is not an explicit range for allowable budget requests.

## Arts Grants

### Art Works II

<https://www.arts.gov>

- **Art Works - Media Arts Grant**

These grants support artistically excellent projects that celebrate our creativity and cultural heritage,

invite mutual respect for differing beliefs and values, and enrich humanity. Matching grants generally range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. A minimum cost share/match equal to the grant amount is required.

## Foundation for Contemporary Arts

<https://www.foundationforcontemporaryarts.org>

- **Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grants**  
Emergency Grants provide urgent funding for visual and performing artists who: Have sudden, unanticipated opportunities to present their work to the public when there is insufficient time to seek other sources of funding; Incur unexpected or unbudgeted expenses for projects close to completion with committed exhibition or performance dates. Grants between \$200 and \$2,500. Applications reviewed once a month.

## National Endowment for the Arts

<https://www.arts.gov>

- **Our Town Grants**  
Our Town is the National Endowment for the Arts' creative placemaking grants program. These grants support projects that integrate arts, culture, and design activities into efforts that strengthen communities by advancing local economic, physical, and/or social outcomes.

## New England Foundation for the Arts

<https://www.nefa.org>

- **New England State Touring (NEST) Grant**  
NEST funds presentations of New England-based performing artists from outside of a presenter's state. Check deadlines for submission.
- **National Dance Project Travel Fund Grant**  
National Dance Project Travel Fund provides monetary assistance for U.S. based presenters, curatorial staff, and residency directors or for current NDP artist grantees to connect in person to explore feasibility of presenting NDP-funded works.
- **National Theater Project Presentation Grant**  
Presentation Grants are made to invited U.S. presenters and support up to 50% of the artistic fee for NTP projects.
- **National Theater Project Presenter Travel Fund**  
Grants provide monetary assistance for travel to promote the touring of NTP funded projects.

## New Hampshire State Arts Council

<https://www.nh.gov/nharts/>

- **Artist in Residence Grant (AIR)**  
Provides funding to bring juried teaching artists into classrooms and public schools to support creative learning and skills development in the arts.
- **Youth Arts Projects Grants (YAP)**  
Youth Arts Project Grants fund high-quality arts and cultural programs that encourage creativity, develop new arts skills and foster success for young people beyond the normal school day. The overall goal of this grant category is to afford all young people opportunities to engage in the arts so that they can develop creative problem solving skills, positive forms of personal expression, and become more engaged in their communities through the arts.

## The Pilcrow Foundation

<https://thepilcrowfoundation.org>

- **The Pilcrow Foundation: Children's Book Project**  
The mission of the Pilcrow Foundation is to provide new, quality, hardcover children's books to rural public libraries across the United States in rural areas within the 50 United States that have a limited operating budget and an active children's department.

## South Arts' Jazz Road

<https://jazzroad.southarts.org>

- **South Arts' Jazz Road Tour Grants**  
For emerging or mid-career jazz artists. Funds available to build tours.

## The Adolph & Esther Gottlieb Foundation

<https://www.gottliebfoundation.org>

- **Gottlieb Emergency Grant Program**  
Emergency grant for painters, printmakers, and sculptors who have been creating mature art for at least 10 years, and have recently undergone an unforeseen catastrophic event such as a fire, flood, or medical emergency. There are no deadlines for this program.

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. UNH, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, and New Hampshire counties cooperating.