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GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES March 18, 2022

NYSDEC

Community Forest Conservation Grant Program

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/124345.html>

This grant program funds municipal land acquisition for community forests, which are vital for wildlife habitat, flood mitigation, recreational opportunities, mental health, air quality, and water quality. Eligible locations for acquisition include private properties of 10 or more acres within New York State. At least 75% of the property must be forested. A 10% cash match is required. New York municipalities including counties, cities, towns, villages, municipal corporations, soil and water conservation districts, and Indian nations or tribes recognized by the State or the United States with a reservation wholly or partly within the boundaries of New York State, or any combination thereof, are eligible to apply for these grants.

Deadline: April 13, 2022

St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA)

2022 Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program

<https://slcida.com/announcement/2022-cdeip-application-announcement/>

The RVRDA) is accepting applications for its 2022 Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program grants of up to \$20,000. Eligible applicants include communities and not-for-profit organizations in St. Lawrence County that plan to undertake a project that will provide a clear and demonstrable economic, community or environmental benefit. The RVRDA has allocated up to \$100,000 for this year's program. There is no minimum application amount, but the maximum that may be applied for is \$20,000 though the RVRDA retains the discretion to make exceptions to this maximum.

Deadline: April 15, 2022

New York State Pollution Prevention Institute (NYSP2I)

NYSP2I Community Grants Program

https://www.rit.edu/affiliate/nvsp2i/funding?mc_cid=24927495d4&mc_eid=183ed4513d#community-grants

The goal of the Community Grants Program is to support projects that raise awareness and understanding of pollution prevention practices and lead to implementation at the local level.

Eligibility: Community organizations are defined as any nonprofit group based in New York State that conducts the majority of its work within the state. Eligible organizations may include, but are not limited to: lawfully incorporated/registered organizations with a focus in environmental, public health, or occupational health protection; academic institutions; neighborhood associations; environmental justice organizations; community development corporations; public benefit corporations; health centers; local unions and labor organizations; and other nonprofits. Community organizations do not need to be 501(c)(3) organizations; however, all community organizations must submit a W-9 form with their application. Local government agencies are defined as offices or departments of a city, town, county, or primary or secondary schools in New York State. Specifically, these may include but are not limited to local environmental agencies, boards of health, departments of public works, local emergency response offices, town commissions, planning and zoning boards, libraries, and schools.

Deadline: April 15, 2022

New York State Council on the Arts and the Preservation League

Preserve NY Grants

www.preservenys.org/preserve-new-york

Launched in 1993, Preserve New York (PNY) is a partnership of the New York State Council on the Arts and the Preservation League, with additional support from the Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation. PNY makes grants for historic structure reports, building condition reports, cultural landscape reports, and cultural resource surveys. The program provides support for up to 80% of the project cost. Applicants must provide 20% of the total project cost as a cash match. Grants are likely to range between \$5,000 and \$14,000.

Deadline: April 15, 2022

USDA Rural Development

Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG)

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs/value-added-producer-grants>

The VAPG program helps agricultural producers enter into value-added activities related to the processing and marketing of new products. The goals of this program are to generate new products, create and expand marketing opportunities and increase producer income. You may receive priority if you are a beginning farmer or rancher, a socially-disadvantaged farmer or rancher, a small or medium-sized farm or ranch structured as a family farm, a farmer or rancher cooperative or are proposing a mid-tier value chain. **Maximum Grant Amount:** Planning Grants \$75,000; Working Capital Grants: \$250,000. **Matching Funds Requirements:** The \$2.75 million in COVID-19 relief funds may include a reduced cost share match requirement of 10 percent of the grant amount. The other available funds have a statutory cost share match requirement of 100 percent of the grant amount. **Eligibility:** Independent producers, agricultural producer groups, farmer- or rancher-cooperatives, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures, as defined in the [program regulation](#), are eligible to apply for this program.

Deadline: April 25, 2022

**National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants**

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

Search for Funding Opportunity Number: 20220517-CHA

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Office of Challenge Grants is accepting applications for the Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants program. Capital Projects support the design, purchase, construction, restoration, or renovation of facilities for humanities activities. Digital Infrastructure projects support the maintenance, modernization, and sustainability of existing digital scholarly projects and platforms. For both Capital Projects and Digital Infrastructure, expenditures must be shown to bring long-term benefits to the institution and to the humanities more broadly.

Deadline: May 17, 2022

USDA

Local Food Promotion Program

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

Search for Funding Opportunity Number: USDA-AMS-TM-LFPP-G-22-0001

LFPP funds projects that develop, coordinate, and expand local and regional food business enterprises that engage as intermediaries in indirect producer to consumer marketing to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products. The program focuses on: Supporting the processing, aggregation, distribution, and storage of local and regional food products that are marketed locally or regionally, including value-added agricultural products; Encouraging the development of value-added agricultural products; Assisting with business development plans and feasibility studies; Developing marketing strategies for producers of local food products and value-added agricultural products in new and existing markets; Facilitating regional food chain coordination and mid-tier value chain development; Promoting new business opportunities and marketing strategies to reduce on-farm food waste; Responding to changing technology needs in indirect producer-to-consumer marketing; and Covering expenses related to cost incurred in obtaining food safety certification and improvements to food safety practices and equipment.

Deadline: May 16, 2022

USDA

Regional Food System Partnerships

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

Search for Funding Opportunity Number: USDA-AMS-TM-RFSP-G-22-0009

The RFSP supports partnerships that connect public and private resources to plan and develop local or regional food systems. The RFSP focuses on building and strengthening local or regional food economy viability and resilience, and this includes pandemic response and recovery. Applicants will work with their partners to catalyze the development of local or regional food systems. Applicants will coordinate efforts within the partnership to set priorities, connect resources and services, and measure progress towards common goals. Partnerships are authorized to:

- Determine the size and scope of the local or regional food system in which the project's goals, outreach objectives, and eligible activities are to be carried out. Coordinate with AMS to receive technical assistance; and
- Conduct outreach and education for potential participation in the partnership agreement and eligible activities. Partnerships must bring a

variety of financial and technical capabilities, demonstrate experience or readiness to work effectively and collaboratively with public and private entities across sectors, and present innovative, sustainable, and measurable approaches to achieving the project's goals.

Deadline: May 16, 2022

Humanities New York

Quick Grants, Vision Grants, Action Grants

<https://humanitiesny.org/grants/>

Quick Grants are \$500 implementation grants for in-person public humanities projects that encourage audiences to reflect on their values, explore new ideas, and engage with others in their community. For organizations whose total yearly operating expenses are \$250,000 or less. These grants aim to: Support smaller organizations in offering engaging public programming; and Promote equity in access to the humanities, ensuring that New Yorkers of all backgrounds and from all regions may engage in cultural programming.

Deadline: Rolling

Vision Grants offer up to \$1,500 in support of brainstorming, researching, and professional development for organizations working collaboratively to develop new ideas and strategies for public-facing humanities projects. These grants aim to: Support emerging and established partnerships between different groups on a shared project that may develop into public-facing activities; Infuse program design with humanities themes and methodologies from the start; Encourage experimentation in program design; and Build community input into program design.

Deadline: Rolling

Action Grants offer up to \$5,000 to implement humanities projects that encourage public audiences to reflect on their values, explore new ideas, and engage with others in their community. All subjects and themes relevant to the communities served are welcome. These grants aim to: Connect audiences more deeply to the communities where they live and work; Solidify community partnerships and diversify audiences; and Creatively employ the tools of the humanities to respond to issues and ideas capturing the imagination and passion of New Yorkers today.

Deadline: June 1, 2022

ADK Small Business Resiliency Fund

<https://www.lclgrpb.org/adk-small-business-resiliency-fund>

Lake Champlain - Lake George Regional Planning Board was awarded a \$2,940,000 Revolving Loan Fund CARES Act grant from the Economic Development Administration to assist small businesses. The objective of the ADK Small Business Resiliency Fund is to assist small businesses that have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Businesses can receive working capital loans for payroll and business expenses or fixed asset loans to purchase equipment, upgrade outdoor facilities, or fund resiliency projects for a business.

- \$25,000 - \$150,000 loans
- 0% interest for the first 12-months, then 1.9% fixed interest rate for remaining term
- Up to 120-month term available

- No application fee or closing costs
- Sufficient collateral and personal guarantee required

Business must be located in Clinton, Essex, Hamilton, Warren, Washington, Jefferson, Lewis, or St. Lawrence County in New York State.

Deadline: June 1, 2022

Quadratic

Energize the Environment

<https://www.quadratic.com/page/quadratic-cares-grant-program>

Quadratic is offering two \$3,500 environmental grants per year – one each in the spring and fall – to an individual or group currently pursuing a program or initiative designed to benefit our environment. Some project examples include: trail building or restoration projects; park beautification events; litter prevention initiatives; Earth study missions; sustainable land management activities; community environmental educational projects; and youth educational engagement events. Eligibility: Any individual, group, or organization in the United States who has a love for all things environmental, and has an idea or event designed to help improve our environment, is eligible.

Deadline: June 30th and October 30th annually.
