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NBRC Announces \$43.6 Million in 2023 Catalyst Grant Awards

CONCORD, N.H. (August 23, 2023) – Today, the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) announced **\$43.6 Million** in new awards, including nearly **\$20 Million** from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, as part of the Commission's inaugural Catalyst Program competition. The 66 Catalyst Awards will go to communities in the Commission's member states of Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont and include a broad range of economic development initiatives such as projects that will: modernize and expand water and wastewater systems; revitalize transportation infrastructure; establish workforce development programs and facilities; grow outdoor recreation infrastructure and economies; and construct new childcare and healthcare facilities. These projects are matched by public and private investments, resulting in **\$208.5 Million** in total investment across the four-state NBRC region. With the addition of funds provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Commission increased the scale of investments in infrastructure projects and funded the largest awards in its history. These projects will unfold over the next three years, and all of this year's awardees are listed on the NBRC's website, www.nbrc.gov.

The 2023 Catalyst Program grant round was highly competitive, with 187 Applications received and more than **\$151 Million** in funding requests. The Catalyst Program is designed to stimulate economic growth and inspire partnerships that improve rural economic vitality across the four-state NBRC region. The slate of selected projects advance NBRC investment priorities to reach underserved communities and build a resilient region: 35 of the Commission's awards are going to communities with less than 5,000 people, and 30 to communities and organizations who are receiving their first NBRC funding award.

"A hallmark of the NBRC is its ability to flexibly support a broad range of needs in rural communities in our region. That quality is a common thread among the awards the Commission is announcing today. These awards include central components of infrastructure upon which successful economies are built, and range from pipes, roads and fiber lines, to childcare programs, outdoor recreation infrastructure, working waterfronts, and everything in between. The Commission's ability to incorporate that flexibility into grant making is directly attributable to the once in a generation support that came from President Biden and Congress working together to pass the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the historic level of annual funding Congress included in last year's spending bills," said NBRC Federal Co-Chair Chris Saunders.

"The 1 million dollars in funding that we are receiving as part of the 2023 Catalyst Program managed by NBRC is a critical component in funding a 30-million-dollar passenger terminal project for the Presque Isle International Airport. This new terminal will replace an undersized building that was constructed in 1952 as an Air Force fire station. The new terminal will incorporate several conservation and alternative energy technologies," said City of Presque Isle Airport Director, Scott Wardwell.

“Thanks to this NBRC grant the restoration work by the Claremont Development Authority on the historic former National Bank on Opera House Square can continue. The project will bring a long vacant downtown building back to life and will be a welcome addition to the downtown music & cultural arts scene. Melissa Richmond, the Director of West Claremont Center for Music & the Arts has been intimately involved in the planning & implementation of the restoration project as its new tenant and looks forward to occupying the finished space. We appreciate the efforts by Rep Annie Kuster and her staff in securing this grant for this important project,” said Claremont Development Authority’s Chairman, Thomas Rock.

Advocacy and Resource Center is very pleased to be awarded this grant that will enable us to collaborate with Mountain Lake Services for recruitment and retention of professional staff in our region. Our industry provides over \$80 million in economic benefits to Clinton and Essex County New York. The investment in staff that this grant will provide will improve our efforts to achieve our combined missions of enhancing the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities,” said ARC’s Executive Director, Robin Pierce.

The Town of Killington is very excited to receive a Catalyst grant and would like to thank the Northern Border Regional Commission for this award. Your investment into our community will go toward the installation of a new municipal water system and the reconstruction of Killington Road, which are both critical for the development of Six Peaks Killington, and future affordable/workforce housing. We are building transformative, job-creating projects through this funding, and we couldn’t be more grateful for the support,” said Killington Town Manager, Michael Ramsey.

The funds for this program, and all NBRC programs, are available thanks to the support of the Congressional Delegations of all four NBRC states: Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont. Depending on the availability of funds in 2024, the NBRC anticipates another round of Catalyst awards in 2024. Please refer to NBRC’s website, www.nbrc.gov, for announcements about current and future Funding Opportunities.

NBRC Catalyst Program Awards by State

NBRC Catalyst Program Awards in the State of Maine

Awarded to: University of Maine System

Project: The Project will create an Immersive Manufacturing Center called the "GEM Gateway," within the Green Engineering and Materials (GEM) Factory of the Future, a transformational mass timber facility that consists of an integrated, flexible manufacturing space that leverages digital manufacturing technology using sustainable, bio-based materials. The purpose of the Gateway is to build community connectivity and career opportunities in Maine within fields critical to the future of the State of Maine as described in the Economic Development Strategy - specifically at the intersection of advanced manufacturing and sustainable, biobased materials.

Location of Project: Penobscot County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,663,641.00

Awarded to: City of Presque Isle

Project: Presque Isle International Airport (PQI) serves two Native American Tribes, two cities (under 10,000 residents each), 53 towns, nine plantations and 112 unorganized townships with all but the two cities having less than 5,000 residents; and part of the Canadian Province of New Brunswick as well as the First Nation. The project will replace the circa 1954 undersized terminal building at PQI with a new, efficient terminal. Unlike the existing terminal, the proposed terminal will be fully ADA-compliant.

Location of Project: Aroostook County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,250,000.00

Awarded to: Black Mountain of Maine

Project: The purpose of this project is to increase the snowmaking ability at Black Mountain of Maine through the acquisition of 13 additional snowguns. This increase in snowmaking ability will allow the mountain to open earlier in the season, when skier pent up demand is at its greatest.

Location of Project: Oxford County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$380,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$482,555.00

Awarded to: Mahoosic Pathways dba Inland Woods

Project: The Western Maine Trails Investment Partnership (WMTIP) is a unique collaboration of five partners, and this project will improve access, amenities, and opportunities for trail-based recreation at 15 trail systems in Oxford County, including resurfacing trails, improving trailhead parking areas, and establishing miles of new mountain bike trails.

Location of Project: Oxford County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$3,532,000.00

Awarded to: Shiretown Development Corporation

Project: The proposed project will include the purchase of a pre-engineered steel building, concrete slab, fixtures and cabinetry, electrical and utility hookups, and site work at the Houlton Industrial Park to house a manufacturer that will construct energy efficient tiny homes.

Location of Project: Aroostook County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,867,585.00

Awarded to: Town of Greenville

Project: The project includes construction of public roads and related parking, sidewalks, and storm water management systems, sewer line extensions, and water line extensions to facilitate construction of a proposed 26-unit, \$6.5 million workforce housing development.

Location of Project: Piscataquis County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$991,708.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,256,708.00

Awarded to: Sunrise County Economic Council

Project: The Project will engage and support commercial fishers in coastal Washington County communities, and their families, in diversification and value-added efforts through business coaching, training, and technical assistance; financial literacy education and resources; connection to career opportunities; and connection to recovery and behavioral health resources. The overarching goal is to help Washington County households address income uncertainty, industry volatility, and climate change challenges through an innovative, integrative, and holistic approach.

Location of Project: Washington County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$500,000.00

Awarded to: East Millinocket

Project: Fundamental to the redevelopment of the former East Millinocket mill site will be infrastructure improvements that will enhance functionality and safety for all those businesses locating on the repurposed campus.

Location of Project: Penobscot County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$750,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$7,500,000.00

Awarded to: Our Katahdin

Project: The proposed project at One North is the long-delayed decommissioning and re-purposing of the wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to enable site redevelopment for new industrial tenants and manufacturers.

Location of Project: Penobscot County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$750,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$12,153,825.00

Awarded to: City of Belfast

Project: Improvements to sections of two streets include sewer line, in-ground storm drains and catch basins, sidewalks, curbing, pedestrian crossings.

Location of Project: Waldo County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000

Total Project Amount: \$3,507,400

Awarded to: Town of Eagle Lake*

Project: The project will replace the lagoon liners and aeration system, construct a new headworks building that will house a new screening system, backup generator and septage receiving station, install new pumps valves and controls, telemetry and SCADA systems and parking lot overlay. Three other pump stations will have new pumps, valves and modern controls.

Location of Project: Aroostook County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$250,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$5,882,000.00

*ME put this project forward for an additional \$750,000 in EDA partnership funding consideration

Awarded to: Town of Stonington

Project: The Town of Stonington will upgrade Oceanville Road to ensure climate resiliency and ensure transportation of lobsters and other products critical to the local economies in this area of coastal Maine.

Location of Project: Hancock County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$671,364.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,324,728.00

Awarded to: Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce

Project: Workforce Initiative to connect people with career training and employment, test private sector transportation solutions, create and implement a training program for employers to address recruitment, and hiring and retention best practices for a culturally diverse workforce.

Location of Project: Androscoggin County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$440,378.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,027,715.50

Awarded to: City of Caribou

Project: Riverfront Master Plan will promote economic development, tourism, recreation, environmental protection, and enhance the sense of place for Caribou, and will include the purchase of two available properties critical to maintaining and enhancing the historical, cultural, and environmental qualities in Caribou.

Location of Project: Aroostook County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$472,550.00

Total Project Amount: \$625,030.00

Awarded to: Knox County

Project: This project will include the installation of electric automobile charger and an electric aircraft charger at the Knox County Regional Airport. The electric aircraft charging station will be the first to be installed in Maine to enable autonomous delivery of mail, parcels, and groceries to the neighboring island communities.

Location of Project: Knox County (ME-01)

Grant Amount: \$294,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$588,000.00

Awarded to: Anson Madison Sanitary District

Project: The enhancement of the wastewater treatment system by improving lagoon aeration, improving chemical storage and delivery systems, and adding tertiary treatment systems to improve wastewater treatment and use technology to remove PF AS contamination.

Location of Project: Somerset County (ME-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$4,704,500.00

Catalyst Program Summary of Applicants in Maine:

Total Number of Applicants: 39

Total Amount of Funds Requested: \$33,689,309

Total Number of Awards: 16

Total Amount of Funds Awarded: \$11,000,000

NBRC Catalyst Program Awards in the State of New Hampshire

Awarded to: Valley Regional Hospital

Project: This project will renovate existing structure on the hospital's campus, resulting in the creation of (3) single and (1) ADA bedroom units and (4) dormitory-style spaces to support short-term transitional workforce lodging for up to 8 healthcare workers.

Location of Project: Sullivan County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,484,400.00

Awarded to: Claremont Development Authority/West Claremont Center for Music & Art

Project: This project consists of the required construction, utility, and roof repair work to support the second phase of the rehabilitation of the long-vacant former Claremont National Bank Building into the home of the new Creative Center.

Location of Project: Sullivan County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$444,397.00

Total Project Amount: \$597,778.00

Awarded to: Hannah Grimes Center

Project: This project provides the capacity to convene and support formal working groups focused on regional challenges including housing, childcare and food systems, a statewide entrepreneur support organization network, and collaborative information sharing among the networks.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$416,154.20

Total Project Amount: \$511,415.00

Awarded to: Mount Washington Observatory

Project: This project enables MWO meteorologists to provide accurate, real-time forecasts to help conservation, tourism, and recreation organizations in New Hampshire's North Country plan, develop, and manage natural resource-based tourism while also facilitating their business and workforce development. Modernization of the Mount Washington Regional Mesonet (MWRM) ensures everyone can recreate safely by preparing for variable weather.

Location of Project: Coos County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$499,046.87

Total Project Amount: \$608,213.00

Awarded to: Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority

Project: This project will install renewable energy upgrades at The Colonial Theater including a solar array, air sealing, upgrading exterior doors, and adding insulation.

Location of Project: Grafton County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$267,671.00

Total Project Amount: \$596,029.00

Awarded to: Clean Energy NH (NH Sustainable Energy Association)

Project: The funding will expand the Energy Circuit Rider program to small, rural communities in Sullivan County. The program will provide direct, customized support to the staff and committees of low-income municipalities to assist them in accessing funding, incentives and providers for clean, energy efficient building and renovations, system upgrades and vehicle charging infrastructure.

Location of Project: Sullivan County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$219,572.83.

Total Project Amount: \$255,216.00

Awarded to: GALA Community Center

Project: This project is a Business and Workforce Development Initiative building upon the success and momentum of GALA Community Center's makerspace and vocation hub, Makers Mill. Makers Mill will develop workforce, entrepreneur, and small business programming and resources that align with local and regional development plans and results in new businesses, job creation and a more prepared workforce.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$499,883.00

Total Project Amount: \$557,807.00

Awarded to: Monadnock Community Services Center

Project: This project will reduce operating costs with the installation of a 734-panel solar array and directly apply cost savings to workforce attraction and retention initiatives.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$496,883.08

Total Project Amount: \$1,124,661.00

Awarded to: WREN: Women's Rural Entrepreneurial Network

Project: The project will renovate the interior of the Gallery to increase accessibility and community engagement; convert the lower level to a Learning Center with a Media Studio; and make the outdoor Pocket Park more usable, accessible, and attractive as a gathering space.

Location of Project: Grafton County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$65,079.60

Total Project Amount: \$112,366.00

Awarded to: Theater UP

Project: The project will construct a significant new cultural arts center in Littleton, New Hampshire. The first phase is the rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of a historic building that has been underutilized on Main Street.

Location of Project: Grafton County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$10,000,000.00

Awarded to: Monadnock Affordable Housing Corporation (Keene Housing Authority)

Project: The project includes redevelopment of the vacant Roosevelt School building in downtown Keene into 30 apartments which will be leased to low- and moderate- income households. Funding will be used for infrastructure including new water and sewer lines, power, interior roads, parking areas, and landscaping.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$500,000.00

Awarded to: Jackson Ski Touring Center

Project: The project re-routes 0.7 miles of x-c ski trail system out of the Ellis River flood plain and replaces 7 non-compliant bridges to meet required White Mountain National Forest's climate change standards.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$169,115.49

Total Project Amount: \$342,730.13

Awarded to: Monadnock United Way

Project: The Monadnock Region Afterschool Partnership Program (MRAPP) will bring afterschool programs together with higher education institutions and local businesses to build career development opportunities and add state-licensed afterschool childcare providers to the regional workforce.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$499,015.00

Total Project Amount: \$772,836.00

Awarded to: Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital

Project: The project will create a medically-based wellness center by renovating and expanding an existing space for a wellness center including a recreational pool and therapy pool, a fitness gym, an indoor walking track and multipurpose space for classes, workshops, community events and rehabilitation services.

Location of Project: Coos County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,943,454.00

Awarded to: Conway Public Library

Project: The Conway Public Library will renovate and redesign the Library Park as a strategic resource and meet outdoor space needs.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$340,523.00

Total Project Amount: \$671,047.00

Awarded to: Greater Monadnock Collaborative (Chamber of Commerce)

Project: The project is a two-year highly targeted (16-29) marketing campaign that showcases the ample opportunities available in Cheshire County, New Hampshire. The goal is to recruit and retain a modern workforce as outlined in New Hampshire's Economic Expansion and Recovery Strategy.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$233,152.00

Total Project Amount: \$280,000.00

Awarded to: Monadnock Economic Development Corporation

Project: The project will help purchase a 12.9-acre vacant parcel and develop the infrastructure needed for the new Keene Technology and Innovation Park, resulting in at least 140 jobs being created/retained and 80-100 individuals being trained for careers in advanced manufacturing annually.

Location of Project: Cheshire County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$23,755,851.00

Awarded to: Granite State Adaptive

Project: This project will build a state-of-the-art energy efficient equine therapeutic center consisting of an accessible facility including a barn, a classroom, indoor arena, and composting system. This facility will extend the season for adaptive and therapeutic recreation programs with youth, teens, disabled adults, and Veterans.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,000,000.00

Awarded to: Claremont Opera House

Project: This project will complete a multi-phased project to purchase and install audio-video infrastructure upgrades for the theater.

Location of Project: Sullivan County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$128,360.00

Total Project Amount: \$160,664.00

Awarded to: Lakes Regional Model Railroad Museum

Project: This funding will enable a multi-phase project to revitalize the 1872 Freight House to create a model railroad museum and STEM education center.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$250,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$535,000.00

Awarded to: Avesta Housing Development/Mount Washington Valley Economic Council

Project: The project will extend necessary road infrastructure to support 160 units of new affordable housing and new business development in North Conway.

Location of Project: Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,100,000.00

Awarded to: Town of Lisbon

Project: The project will help provide a parking plan for the downtown area to support residents, businesses and visitors using the Cross-NH rail trail.

Location of Project: Grafton County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$18,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$38,221.00

Awarded to: Town of Gilford

Project: The Town of Gilford will permanently site New Hampshire's first foam densification unit, providing a regional foam recycling program.

Location of Project: Belknap County and Carroll County (NH-01)

Grant Amount: \$54,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$108,000.00

Awarded to: Town of Lancaster

Project: The project will upgrade aging water, sewer and drainage infrastructure to support downtown business and high-density residential districts.

Location of Project: Coos County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$3,635,116.00

Awarded to: Town of Lancaster*

Project: The project will install a 500,000-gallon water-storage tank and valve near the Lancaster Public Water System plant to address capacity, water quality, and water flow issues.

Location of Project: Coos County (NH-02)

Grant Amount: \$50,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$3,400,000.00

*NH put this project forward for an additional \$750,000 in EDA partnership funding consideration

Catalyst Program Summary of Applicants in New Hampshire:

Total Number of Applicants: 46

Total Amount of Funds Requested: \$22,886,955

Total Number of Awards: 25

Total Amount of Funds Awarded: \$11,000,000

NBRC Catalyst Program Awards in the State of New York

Awarded to: Clinton County Chapter NYSARC

Project: The project will ramp up and rapidly expand workforce recruitment and retention activities for professional/paraprofessional to fill over 500 vacancies in a two-county. This will ensure service continuity and quality of care that is essential for the "hidden" communities of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (IDD).

Location of Project: Clinton and Essex Counties (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$452,672.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,089,968.00

Awarded to: Hand in Hand Early Childhood Center

Project: Hand in Hand will expand their flagship center located in Lowville by adding two classrooms and 24 more potential childcare slots. The proposal also includes the creation of two satellite facilities located at the northernmost and southernmost school districts in Lewis County. These satellite facilities would provide approximately 32 childcare slots at each school campus.

Location of Project: Lewis County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$2,996,422.80

Total Project Amount: \$2,996,422.80 (100% COVID match waiver)

Awarded to: Lake Champlain-Lake George Regional Planning Board

Project: The Lake Champlain Lake George Regional Planning Board will establish a Revolving Loan Fund for purchase/rehabilitation of long-term rentals within five upstate New York counties. This will increase the stock and affordability of long-term rentals for the year-round workforce within the Adirondack Park. Projects will be focused in hamlets and developed areas, and constrained to units that house year-round workforce, increasing business' ability to attract workforce for the creation/retention of jobs within the region. This fund will provide at least 4 loans in the disbursement phase, renovating 4 buildings, creating approximately 12 units, and leveraging private investment.

Location of Project: Clinton, Essex, Hamilton, Warren, Washington Counties (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$500,000

Total Project Amount: \$500,000 (100% COVID match waiver)

Awarded to: Development Authority of North Country (DANC)

Project: The Development Authority of the North Country will complete a multi-jurisdictional telecommunications project bringing affordable, high-speed broadband to approximately 488 unserved households in rural communities in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties. The project will result in 63.3 miles of new fiber and bring digital parity to rural residents.

Location of Project: Lewis, Jefferson, St. Lawrence Counties (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$2,455,079.00

Total Project Amount: \$3,537,599.00

Awarded to: Ticonderoga Revitalization Alliance

Project: This project will renovate a vacant 10,000 sq ft building into a public childcare center walkable to Ticonderoga downtown and parks. Currently the town only has 16 childcare slots for more than 300 children under the age of 6. The project will create 50 new childcare slots for children from infancy through 5 years.

Location of Project: Essex County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$248,570.00

Total Project Amount: \$332,329.72

Awarded to: Cayuga County Water and Sewer Authority

Project: The project will install over 5,000 feet of 12-inch waterline from an existing source to the Cayuga County Industrial Park. The project will increase the capacity for water delivery by approximately 1.0 MGD to Cayuga Milk Ingredients (CMI), a major tenant in the Park, which is in the permitting stage for a \$170 million expansion and create 85 new jobs.

Location of Project: Cayuga County (NY-24)

Grant Amount: \$605,385.00

Total Project Amount: \$770,215.00

Awarded to: Canton-Potsdam Hospital

Project: Canton-Potsdam Hospital (CPH) will construct 16 exam rooms for practical learning, a fully equipped conference room, and office space for the program director, administrative support, and residents in support of the development of a residency program in Rural Family Medicine. This project seeks to address a need for more rural-focused clinicians in the primary care setting and it is anticipated that clinic visits will increase 5 to 6 times from having residents available to provide care.

Location of Project: St. Lawrence County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$5,000,000.00

Awarded to: Town of Henderson

Project: The Town of Henderson will construct a wastewater treatment and collection system to address sanitary waste problems for residents utilizing individual subsurface sewer disposal systems. The Town's economy is almost entirely dependent on outdoor recreational tourism and this project will assist with expansion of existing businesses and creation of new economic opportunities.

Location of Project: Jefferson County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$25,000,000.00

Awarded to: Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority

Project: The project will build a new, easily accessible 15,000 square foot childcare center for the residents of St. Lawrence County to provide daycare, an integrated preschool program and other childcare services.

Location of Project: St. Lawrence County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$4,800,000.00

Awarded to: Valley Residential Services, Inc.

Project: This funding will extend 1,300 linear feet of sanitary sewer lines from the Town of Herkimer's municipal system to a 226-acre campus to assist with a new \$53.3M 160-bed, neurobehavioral and skilled nursing facility, creating and retaining essential healthcare jobs, and ensuring the health and wellbeing of the community.

Location of Project: Herkimer County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$400,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$400,000.00 (100% COVID match waiver)

Awarded to: Clayton Improvement Association, Ltd.

Project: The project will rehabilitate a 9,240 square foot mixed use building, located in the center of LaFargeville in the Town of Orleans. The rehabilitation will create 2-3 new commercial spaces, 2 newly renovated commercial spaces and 4 residential units. These newly created spaces and newly renovated units will allow for new entrepreneurial small business. The revitalization of the large mixed-use building is expected will act as a catalyst for growth and development throughout the small community.

Location of Project: Jefferson County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,717,511.00

Awarded to: The Fort Ticonderoga Association

Project: Fort Ticonderoga proposes to replace approximately 820 linear feet of water line that services the Ticonderoga peninsula. The pipe is the only connection between the town water line and the peninsula, which includes Fort Ticonderoga, a Department of Environmental Conservation, boat launch and facilities, Amtrak Train Station and Fort Ticonderoga Ferry dock.

Location of Project: Essex County (NY-21)

Grant Amount: \$200,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$251,000.00

Catalyst Program Summary of Applicants in New York:

Total Number of Applicants: 71

Total Amount of Funds Requested: \$64,875,222.03

Total Number of Awards: 12

Total Amount of Funds Awarded: \$10,848,128.80

NBRC Catalyst Program Awards in the State of Vermont

Awarded to: Town of Killington*

Project: Infrastructure improvements including a municipal water system and a redesigned roadway system which is required for the development of the Six Peaks Killington Village project (a village at the base of the ski resort).

Location of Project: Rutland County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$2,250,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$23,602,436.00

*VT put this project forward for an additional \$750,000 in EDA partnership funding consideration

Awarded to: Neck of the Woods Vermont, LLC

Project: Renovations of the second floor of the Neck of the Woods Childcare and Early Education Center building to expand childcare services adding new classrooms and new bathrooms, handicap access including an elevator, and associated energy efficiency upgrades.

Location of Project: Washington County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$425,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$850,000.00

Awarded to: Center for Agricultural Economy

Project: Renovations and interior fit-up of the \$12,500 square foot Hardwick Yellow Barn Business Accelerator building to expand agricultural and small business support services.

Location of Project: Caledonia County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,696,788.00

Awarded to: Town of Wilmington

Project: The Route 9 Infrastructure Expansion will construct water/wastewater infrastructure along VT Routes 9 East/100 South to allow 22,000 square feet of underutilized space to become revitalized.

Location of Project: Windham County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,472,000.00

Awarded to: Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation

Project: Renovation and construction of a new childcare center, Orange County Parent Child Center (OCPCC), Randolph. OCPCC Randolph is a partnership between GMEDC and OCPCC to redevelop a vacant building in Randolph into a childcare center and serving as a work-based learning center to support workforce development for the early care and education (ECE) industry.

Location of Project: Orange County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$750,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$3,546,328.00

Awarded to: Town of North Hero

Project: Replacement of water main pipe along US Route 2 and construction of water storage tank allowing for improved water service reliability.

Location of Project: Grand Isle County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$4,037,475.00

Awarded to: Town of Johnson

Project: Creation of a new light/industrial/commercial park in the town of Johnson. Infrastructure improvements will include a paved access road, foundational sewer collection lines, foundational water distribution lines, stormwater collection lines, treatment basin, and electric and telecommunication lines.

Location of Project: Lamoille County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$861,945.42

Total Project Amount: \$1,723,890.84

Awarded to: The Center for Cartoon Studies

Project: Renovation of the "Telegraph Building" in White River Junction. Once renovated, the Telegraph Building will house a production lab, a learning center, original art archive, studio space, classrooms for on-location and online instruction, a public gallery, and a bookstore.

Location of Project: Windsor County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$971,315.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,089,265.00

Awarded to: Friends of the Vergennes Opera House, Inc.

Project: Addition of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant upgrades to City Hall/Vergennes Opera House to increase accessibility. Upgrades include a new elevator tower, a walkway from the street to the new entrance, a motorized life and ADA restroom.

Location of Project: Addison County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$300,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$1,639,428.00

Awarded to: Maquam Bay of Missisquoi

Project: Redevelopment and renovation of the Abenaki tribal headquarters to expand space and organizational capacity to deliver health, nutrition, and recreational programs.

Location of Project: Franklin County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$2,184,498.00

Awarded to: Town of Brighton

Project: Upgrades to a non-compliant and at-capacity wastewater treatment facility.

Location of Project: Essex County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$4,867,137.00

Awarded to: Town of Greensboro

Project: Construction of a new Town-owned wastewater collection, conveyance, treatment, and soil-based disposal facility to replace failing on-site septic systems, protecting public health and the environment, and allowing for housing and business development.

Location of Project: Orleans County (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$1,000,000.00

Total Project Amount: \$9,049,768.00

Awarded to: Sterling College

Project: Development and launch of a new curricular component, Experiential Endeavors, focused on the agricultural, ecological, educational, recreational, and food systems sectors.

Location of Project: Caledonia, Lamoille and Orleans Counties (VT-01)

Grant Amount: \$275,643.00

Total Project Amount: \$589,099.00

Catalyst Program Summary of Applicants in Vermont:

Total Number of Applicants: 31

Total Amount of Funds Requested: \$30,420,787.00

Total Number of Awards: 13

Total Amount of Funds Awarded: \$10,833,903.42

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