

Vermont Community Development Program
Annual Summary of Program Activities for FFY2010 (7/1/2010-6/30/2011)

The **Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP)** is funded through the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) program with an annual allocation of approximately \$8 million. The activities of economic development and housing continue to be the VCDP's top priorities for funding in the Consolidated Plan. The VCDP assists communities on a competitive basis by providing financial and technical assistance to identify and address local needs in the areas of housing, economic development, public facilities, public services and handicapped accessibility modifications predominantly for persons of low and moderate income. In addition, financial assistance is provided to communities for threats of health and safety issues as urgent need, and slums and blight projects.

Town of Bethel – Depot II Apartments



Before



After

The CDBG allocation for the last program year was \$8,049,765, which represents a slight increase from the previous year and leveraged over \$106 million dollars. The CDBG program received 40 applications requesting over \$13 million.

2011 CDBG Program Accomplishments

During this past year, the majority of CDBG funds were awarded to housing, economic development and public facility projects. See breakdown below of project types funded this past year. In looking at the projects funded, it is important to note that these projects leveraged over \$106 million in other resources. It should also be noted that the allocation was enhanced with over \$148,378 of program income.

Housing Grants

The VCDP awarded grants to six municipalities for housing projects that totaled over \$3.8 million and leveraged over \$57 million in local, private and other federal and state resources. This collaborative effort will create or preserve 339 units.

Municipality	Project Title	Units
Town of Bennington	Bennington Family Housing	26
Town of Bethel	Depot II Apartments - Rehabilitation	10
Town of Bradford	Whistlestop MHP Infrastructure Project	12
Town of Guilford	Algiers Village Housing	17
Town of Lyndon	Gilman Housing Trust Housing Sustainability Program	35
Town of Waitsfield	Verdmont MHP Infrastructure Project	29
Town of West Rutland	Western Vermont Scattered Site Rehab	150
City of Winooski	City Neighborhoods	10
City of Winooski	Champlain Housing Loan Fund	50

Economic Development Grants

The VCDP awarded grants to three municipalities for economic development projects that totaled nearly \$2 million and leveraged over \$42 million in local, private and other federal and state resources. The VCDP was able to provide low interest loans to support three business projects that will create and retain over 50 jobs throughout Vermont.

Municipality	Project Title	Jobs
Town of Craftsbury	Pete's Greens Rebuild	8
Town of Hinesburg	Vermont Smoke and Cure	13
Town of Middlebury	Eastview at Middlebury	29

Public Facility & Accessibility Modification Grants



Groton Town Hall Accessibility

The VCDP awarded grants to eleven communities for public facility projects that totaled over \$2.2 million and leveraged over \$6 million in other resources. These eleven community facility projects will help provide handicapped accessible and improved access to wide range of services. The facilities assisted include a domestic abuse center, senior center, homeless shelters and municipal libraries and meeting houses.

Municipality	Project Title	People Served
Town of Chelsea	Safeline Offices & Program Facility	850
Town of Groton	Groton Town Office Accessibility	71
Village of Johnson	Red Mill and Lowe Lecture Hall Access	716
City of Montpelier	58 Barre St Redevelopment	600
Town of Morristown	Morristown Centennial Library Elevator	421
Town of Pittsfield	Pittsfield Schoolhouse Accessibility	34
Town of Shoreham	Platt Library Addition	101
City of St. Albans	Samaritan House Renovations	130
City of Vergennes	John Graham Shelter	300
Town of Vershire	Vershire Town Center Building Lift	49
Town of West Rutland	West Rutland Free Library	220

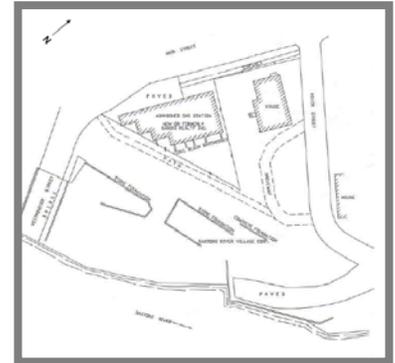
Public Service Grants

VCDP awarded \$455,000 to assist two public service projects that will enhance the economic opportunities for Vermonters.

Municipality	Project Title	People Served
Town of Hartford	Inky Solomon Center	14
Town of Randolph	Incubating Jobs for Randolph	53

Planning Grants

Vermont communities are afforded opportunities to undertake community development planning through technical expertise and professional resources for one or more of the VCDP areas of eligibility – housing, economic development, public facilities and public services. Six awards for planning grants totaling \$180,000 were provided to communities throughout Vermont.



Saxton's River Planning Grant

Municipality/Lead Grantee	Project Title
Town of Brattleboro	Hilltop House
Town of Putney	WHT/RACLT Consolidation
Town of Rochester	Architectural and engineering studies
Town of Springfield	RACLT/WHT Consolidation
Village of Orleans	Community Electric Pilot Project
Village of Saxtons River	Saxtons River Park Planning

