# Quick Guide to Funding Sources for Towns
## TRORC Region (Addison, Orange, Rutland, and Windsor County)

**Updated March 2019**

## Transportation Alternatives Grant Program (TAP)
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Scott Robertson
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20% (construction) 50% (scoping)
- **Use and Eligibility**: Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities, Safe Routes to School infrastructure, and some other projects. New emphasis in 2018 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
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Jon Kaplan
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20% (construction) 50% (scoping)
- **Use and Eligibility**: Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities, scoping, design and construction

## Recreation Trails Grant Program
- **Website**: [http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grant/tp](http://fpr.vermont.gov/recreation/grant/tp)
- **Agency**: DFPR
- **Contact**: Sherry Winnie
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20% min.
- **Use and Eligibility**: Maintenance, restoration and construction of recreational trails

## Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Grant Program
- **Website**: [https://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/electric-vehicle-supply-equipment-evse-grant-program](https://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/electric-vehicle-supply-equipment-evse-grant-program)
- **Agency**: ACCD
- **Contact**: Gary Holloway
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: determined by land ownership and public accessibility of the EVSE
- **Use and Eligibility**: Installation of Level 2 and DC fast charge stations at qualified locations in Vermont

## Water Quality
### Municipal Grants-in-Aid
- **Agency**: DEC via RPC
- **Contact**: Rita Seto, TRORC
- **Type**: Allocation grant
- **Local Match**: 20%
- **Use and Eligibility**: Implementing best management practices on municipal roads to improve water quality - includes stone line ditching and culvert replacements on hydro connected segments
- **Notes**: Letters of Intent due May-June

### Better Roads
- **Website**: [http://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/better-roads](http://vtrans.vermont.gov/highway/better-roads)
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Alan May, VTrans
- **Type**: Competitive Grant
- **Local Match**: 20%
- **Use and Eligibility**: Road erosion inventory planning grants, ditching and culvert replacements to MRGP standards on hydro connected segments
- **Notes**: Applications due October/November

### Municipal Highway and Stormwater Mitigation Program
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Joel Perrigo
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20%
- **Use and Eligibility**: Intended for larger environmental mitigation related projects, >$250k construction
- **Notes**: Applications due July

## Town Bridges and Paving
### VTrans District Structures Grant
- **Website**: [https://vtrans.vermont.gov/operations/technical-services](https://vtrans.vermont.gov/operations/technical-services)
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Chris Bump/Shauna Cifordi
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20%
- **Use and Eligibility**: For town bridges, culverts >36", retaining walls
- **Notes**: $175,000 max

### VTrans District Paving Grant
- **Website**: [https://vtrans.vermont.gov/operations/technical-services](https://vtrans.vermont.gov/operations/technical-services)
- **Agency**: VTrans
- **Contact**: Chris Bump/Shauna Cifordi
- **Type**: Competitive grant
- **Local Match**: 20%
- **Use and Eligibility**: For town's Class 2 paved roads
- **Notes**: $175,000 max

## Variety of Purposes
### Downtown Transportation Fund Grant
- **Website**: [https://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/downtown-transportation-fund](https://accd.vermont.gov/community-development/funding-incentives/downtown-transportation-fund)
- **Agency**: ACCD
- **Contact**: Gary Holloway
- **Type**: Competitive Grant
- **Local Match**: 50%
- **Use and Eligibility**: Transportation improvements in Designated Downtown
- **Notes**: Up to $100k per town per year. Applications due March

### Better Connections Program
- **Website**: [http://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/projects-programs/better-connections](http://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/projects-programs/better-connections)
- **Agency**: VTrans/ACCD
- **Contact**: Jackie Cassano, Richard Amore
- **Type**: Competitive Grant
- **Local Match**: 10%
- **Use and Eligibility**: Focus on transportation, land use and livability
- **Notes**: Pre-application due Dec. 31. Applications due Jan. 31

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