

AVCC Tiny Grant Information

2024



Grant range: \$250 - \$600

Grant application due: April 5, 2024

Grant award announcement: May 10, 2024

Email: vtconservation@gmail.com (AVCC Board)

Mailing address: AVCC, c/o VNRC, 11 Baldwin Street, Montpelier, VT 05602

AVCC Goals:

- To assist local committees/groups to become conservation commissions
- To increase the functioning capacity of existing conservation commissions
- To provide seed money and/or matching funds for specific projects in the broad categories of land conservation, education and outreach, stewardship and management, and planning.

To be eligible for an AVCC Tiny Grant, groups must be:

- Vermont conservation commissions or local committees/groups that are working towards becoming a conservation commission
- Paid members of AVCC

Other Stipulations: Groups must be a municipality or IRS certified 501(c)(3) public charity, or have fiscal sponsorship by a municipality or IRS certified 501(c)(3) public charity. Prior recipients of grants from AVCC must have completed those grants and closed them out. Grants cannot be used for general funds, dues or subscriptions.

Timetable: Applications must be submitted by April 5, 2024. Grantees will be notified of funding approval by May 10, 2024. Projects must be completed and a final report submitted by May 1, 2025. A brief update and progress report should be delivered by December 15, 2024 for inclusion in AVCC's 2024 Annual Report.

Evaluation Criteria for Grant Funding:

- Demonstrated need
- Evidence of matching funds and/or in-kind services
- Closely aligns with grant goals
- Project readiness
- Local support and volunteer involvement

Payment Process: The funds awarded under this grant will be available approximately a month after the awards are announced. Checks will be issued by the Vermont Community Foundation.

Grant Closeout: Grantees will be required to submit a Conservation Success Story through the AVCC website (<https://vtconservation.com/success-stories/>) presenting evidence of grant completion with photographs and text detailing outcomes and challenges.

Acknowledgment: If awarded, grantees should credit AVCC in any publicity.

Application on reverse side.

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On a separate document, please provide the following information:

General information

Contact Person

Organization

Mailing Address

Email

Phone

Fiscal Sponsor, if any (legal name)

Fiscal Sponsor contact information

Project information

1. Brief description of the project (300 words max)
2. Total budget for this project
3. Amount of grant money requested (min. \$250 – max. \$600)
4. Other funds, if any, for this project
5. If yes, list the source(s) and amounts of other funds and/or in-kind contributions
6. Explain how these funds will make a difference to the success of your project (600 words max)
7. Explain how you will measure the success of your project (300 words max)

Reminder: Only AVCC members whose membership dues are current are eligible. To check your status, visit <https://vtconservation.com/join-us/>.

Please email ALL completed applications to vtconservation@gmail.com (AVCC Board). We strongly prefer submission via email. If it is not possible for you to email your application, the address is:

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