



COVID 19 Updates & Resources

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CVRPC is providing this information to assist municipalities to maintain situational awareness and to plan for, respond to, and recover from the COVID 19 pandemic. CVRPC hereby grants permission for reuse and reprint of information contained in this document.

The document contains only updated information. Previous resources can be found on our website – <http://centralvtplanning.org>.

MUNICIPAL NEWS

Information has been gathered from municipal websites or provided directly to CVRPC by the municipality and updated to this **Municipal Chart**. This information is being shared to assist municipalities with mutual response as well as service and planning ideas. Contact Nancy Chartrand, chartrand@cvregion.com with updates.

CVRPC SERVICES

CVRPC provides a variety of services related to planning, public engagement, project management and project implementation in all programmatic areas (transportation, community development, brownfields, emergency planning, energy, natural resources, etc.) and on special projects. Municipalities can contact Bonnie Waninger via email (waninger@cvregion.com) or cell (802-585-9174) to discuss how CVRPC can assist.

RESOURCES

Vermont Council on Rural Development

Orange County COVID-19 Recovery Forum: From Recovery to Renewal and Resilience

On July 21st from 6:30-8:30pm, the Local Solutions and Community Action Team established by Governor Phil Scott is hosting a virtual COVID-19 recovery discussion to connect with others in Orange County to:

- Share challenges and ideas for community response and recovery
- Connect to others working to respond, recover, and build long-term resilience

- Meet with a “visiting team” of state, federal, business, and non-profit leaders who will share recovery strategies from across the state and ideas for resources and support.

Agenda:

6:30pm - Opening Session

6:40pm - Breakouts

- Supporting Orange County Businesses & Buying Local
- Addressing Housing & Homelessness
- Advancing Education & Childcare
- Overcoming Isolation & Building Community Unity

8:10pm - Closing Session

All ARE WELCOME. Coming together to discuss recovery strategies and build ongoing resilience is vital and your voice is critical. **Registration is required:** vtrural.org/recovery/orange. Once you are registered, you will receive instructions to join via computer, mobile device, or phone. For assistance with registration contact info@vtrural.org or 802-223-6091.

Efficiency Vermont: School Indoor Air Quality Grant Program

Efficiency Vermont is launching the School Indoor Air Quality Grant Program to help schools around the state improve their HVAC systems. Projects could include repairing, maintaining, and upgrading HVAC systems in response to COVID-19 specific guidelines from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). The anticipated eligible measures will help improve indoor air quality and promote the health and safety of students and staff. Schools are encouraged to [reach out to EVT](#).

Vermont Food Bank

Farmers to Families Food Box Distribution

The next phase of Farmers to Families Food Distribution started Monday July 6. Distribution sites will rotate around the state in July, with each site occurring at least twice during the month. Register [here](#) no later than 4pm the day before the event. Upcoming sites in Central Vermont:

- Friday 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31: Barre (Capstone Community Action)

STATE UPDATES

Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Economic Recovery Grants Application Process Now Open

ACCD’s Economic Recovery Grants application process is now open. Businesses who collect Rooms and Meals Tax or Sales and Use tax should apply for a grant through the Department of Taxes. All other private businesses and non-profits should apply through ACCD. The maximum grant ceiling amount is \$50,000.00. See more information on eligibility criteria and how to apply [here](#).

View past webinars and slides with information on eligibility requirements, grant award calculation information, and the grant application process [here](#).

Grants for Women-Owned and Minority-Owned Businesses

These grants are for 51% women-owned and minority-owned businesses with 0 to 5 employees (including self-employed). The application portal is [here](#).

FEDERAL UPDATES

Small Business Administration**Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Reopened**

The PPP has resumed accepting applications in response to the Paycheck Protection Program Extension Act passed by Congress. The new deadline to apply for a PPP loan is August 8, 2020. More information [here](#).