

**Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital  
Community Health Fund  
Granting Criteria  
2021/2022**

For NVRH fiscal year 2021/2022, grant applications are available as of September 1, 2021 at <https://nvrh.org/community-health-fund/> and are due on October 15, 2021. The NVRH Community Health Advisory Committee reviews and approves applications between October and November. Grants awards will be announced by December 1, 2021 for the project period through September 30, 2022.

**Granting Criteria**

In general, grants are given to organizations that meet these criteria:

- 501©3 organizations, municipalities, and faith-based organizations serving people in the NVRH primary service area
- Has a mission to provide programs, services, or activities that promote health and healthy communities
- Can provide a clear link to an identified community need
- Exhibit a collaborative, partnership approach to delivering services
- Have measurable goals and objectives for grant-funded services/activities

The NVRH Community Health Fund supports programs, services, and projects. **Please be specific as to which program, service, or project the money will fund** (this is not to be used as general donations to an organization). Further, NVRH does not fund endowments, capital campaigns, general operations, or individuals. The NVRH Community Health Fund will fund equipment if it is integral to an otherwise eligible project.

**Preference is given to organizations not funded in the past.** *To be considered for funding of the same program again this year, **past grant recipients** should use the narrative portion of the application to provide information demonstrating growth (in number of participants and/or expansion of service area) in currently funded programs or services.*

**Grant Priority Focus Area for 2021/2022**

From our Community Health Needs Assessment for Community Health Funds, NVRH has identified *Health Equity and Resilience* as a priority for this grant cycle.

**Definition of Health Equity:** Everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible. This requires removing obstacles to health such as poverty, discrimination, and their consequences, including powerlessness, lack of access to good jobs with fair pay, quality education and housing, safe environments, and health care.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Braveman P, Arkin E, Orleans T, et al. "What is Health Equity? And What Differences Does a Definition Make?"

Resilience is the ability to thrive, individually and collectively in the face of adversity.

Vermont Resilience Messaging Guide.

**Grant applications meeting priority criteria will receive first consideration for funds.**

Additionally, priority will be given to applications that include a plan to sustain the service/program/project after the grant period ends.

**Application Process**

The application document is available at <https://nvrh.org/community-health-fund/> (under the Community Resources tab).

**Application documents include:**

- **Application Form**
  - The Application Form is on pages 3 and 4 of this document.
- **Budget Form**
  - The Budget Form is on page 5 of this document or as an Excel document on the NVRH website.
- **Additional documentation:**
  - Copy of tax exempt status from IRS (for non-profits)
  - Letters of support for the project from at least 2 community partners (more if applicable)
  - Applicants may be asked to supply additional information not specifically outlined in the grant application

**Completed applications can be sent or emailed to:**

Diana Gibbs, VP Marketing and Community Health Improvement  
NVRH  
PO Box 905  
St. Johnsbury, VT 05819  
[d.gibbs@nvrh.org](mailto:d.gibbs@nvrh.org)

Applicants chosen must submit a 1 – 3 page written **After Action Report** by October 31, 2022. The After Action Report can be accessed at <https://nvrh.org/community-health-fund/> and will be provided to grantees via email. Grant recipients may be asked to update the committee at a meeting during the grant year.

For 2021/2022 NVRH will award up to \$17,250.00 total. Historically, individual grant amounts have ranged from \$1,000 - \$4,000.

**Towns in the NVRH Primary Service Area\*:** Barnet, Burke town, Concord town, Danville town, East Haven, Guildhall, Granby, Kirby, Lunenburg, Lyndon town, Maidstone, Newark, Sheffield, St. Johnsbury town, Sutton, Victory, Walden, Waterford town, Wheelock.

**Questions? Contact Diana Gibbs at (802) 748-7590**

\*Eligible Town Zip Codes: 05050, 05819, 05821, 05824, 05828, 05832, 05837, 05838, 05840, 05848, 05849, 05850, 05851, 05858, 05861, 05863, 05866, 05867, 05871, 05873, 05904, 05906

**NVRH Community Health Fund  
Grant Application Form  
2021/2022**

**Organization Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mission Statement:** (can be attached) \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical and Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Job Title/Role:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project is linked to the 2021/2022 priority areas, check all that apply:**

Health Equity

Resilience

**Please use the *attached template* to answer basic questions about your proposal. Please attach a short 1- 3 page narrative to describe the strategy you are proposing to address a community need and plans to sustain the initiative.**

**Formatting:** double-spaced, 10 – 12 point font

***Please do not use acronyms; you may provide a glossary of terms. Applicants may attach any supplemental materials that support their application e.g. program brochures.***

**Application Checklist:**

- Mission Statement
- Application Template and 1-3 Page Narrative
- Budget Form
- Letters of Support (2 required)
- Tax Exempt Notice (required for non-profits)
- List other attachments: \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_



### NVRH Community Health Fund Application Template

*Please use this template; keep answers concise*

**Brief (one or two sentences) description of the strategy:**

**Target Population** (for example: age, gender, geographic area, health disparity) ***Include number of people you expect to be impacted by this initiative.***

**Does this project meet the criteria for promoting health equity and resilience? Please explain.**

**What is the need in the community you are trying to address?**

**Goal and/or objectives: How will you tell if anyone is better off?**

**Partner agencies for this strategy:**

**What are the amounts and sources of other funding (if any)?**

**Describe any ideas for sustaining this strategy:**

**Outline the timeframe for the strategy, including start and end dates:**

**Please attach a 1 – 3 page narrative describing the program/service/intervention and sustainability plans.**

