



Northern Border Regional Commission

August 14, 2020

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senate
506 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC, 20510

CC:
Congressional Delegation of NH

Dear Senator Shaheen,

We are excited to share with you the municipalities and organizations selected for an award by the State of New Hampshire in this year's Economic & Infrastructure Development grant round. We believe that this year's awardees are among our strongest group thus far in New Hampshire, and across all four NBRC states. We are grateful for your continuing support of the NBRC, which makes these awards possible.

Though you are welcome to contact the awardees as soon as possible, please note that no public announcements will be made by the Commission until Thursday, August 20th. The Commission will also be working to notify those applicants not selected this year between today and the 20th.

Below is the list of this year's awardees:

FIRST New Hampshire

Amount awarded: **\$113,130**

Frank Grossman, Director

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FIRST New Hampshire will work with North Country schools and businesses to start robotics programs that will help students develop STEM skills, contributing to a high-quality workforce that meets industry needs and supports the regional growth of companies needing a mid-tech or high-tech workforce.

Hannah Grimes Center, Inc.

Amount awarded: **\$315,298**

Mary Ann Kristiansen, Executive Director

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603-352-5063

Funding will support a full-time position for three years to build on the success of an existing set of entrepreneurial programs at Hannah Grimes and the up-and-coming Radically Rural Summit, which will shape and share ideas and tools that will benefit the region and rural communities throughout the country.

Laconia Area Community Land Trust, Inc. DBA Lakes Region Community Developers

Amount awarded: **\$350,000**

Carmen Lorentz, Executive Director

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603-527-0747

The Gale School Redevelopment Project will improve 7,000 square feet of vacant and dilapidated commercial space in Belmont Village, and will result in the addition of 60 childcare slots to the region, and the creation of 11 permanent, full-time jobs.

Mascoma Valley Preservation

Amount awarded: **\$315,000**

Andrew Cushing, President

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This project will convert the vacant and derelict Grafton Center Meetinghouse into a marketplace and event center by adding a rear addition with stairwell and lift, installing a septic system, and roughing in bathrooms and a commercial kitchen, providing jobs and tax revenue for a distressed town.

Monadnock Economic Development Corporation

Amount awarded: **\$1,000,000**

Arthur Robert, President

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This request supports building the Keene State College Business Partnership Hub, a 30,000 SF facility hosting advanced education, training, & innovation, in collaboration with industry. The Hub will boost the competitiveness of the region's precision manufacturing workforce and industry cluster.

New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services/Lakeshore Redevelopment Planning Commission

Amount awarded: **\$1,000,000**

Charles Arlinghaus

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Completion of Phase I of the Redevelopment Master Plan involving 1,290 linear feet of road and 765 linear feet of water/sewer/energy lines to 5.4 acres to make it ready for the future development of up to 160 parking spots and 32,500 square feet of commercial space, which will result in 152 jobs, benefitting the entire Lakes Region area.

Sunapee Heritage Alliance

Amount awarded: **\$350,000**

Barbara Sullivan, Chairman

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603-540-5084

This grant will establish non-profit ownership for this 1892 "7 to Save" historic Livery building and bring it up to current structural codes. The resulting expansion of programming and community use will have a direct positive effect on the culture and economy of the surrounding communities.

Town of Jaffrey

Amount awarded: **\$1,000,000**

Jon Frederick, Town Manager

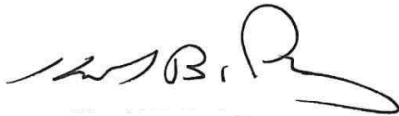
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The project will construct 4,370 linear feet of water main to interconnect three wells, a water treatment facility and water distribution system, and a paved access road. This project addresses the need to accommodate an expected growth of average daily demands through 2040.

Finally, please note that announcements will be forthcoming regarding awards in partnership with USDA Rural Development and the EDA's Economic Adjustment Assistance program, thanks to funds that were awarded the Commission via these programs in FY'20. We will be sure to notify your office when those agencies have undertaken the appropriate reviews and we're ready to share the results publicly.

With best regards,



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