



VCF Community Fund – Successful Communities Cover Page

In the Successful Communities grants program, the VCF aims to strengthen organizations and community groups whose mission it is to increase civic engagement, promote tolerance and acceptance of racial, ethnic, class, and sexual diversity as well as diverse learning and physical abilities, or promote high-quality education of children and adults. We are particularly interested in projects that build “social capital,” that is, programs that increase the sense of trust and community caring among groups of people and use that “capital” to achieve improved social, economic, and environmental outcomes.

All applications for the 2008 cycle must be postmarked on or before Friday, January 4, 2008. Organizations may submit one application per grant round - for program or operating support..

Name of Organization _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Website _____

Executive Director or Contact person _____
Title _____
E-mail _____ Phone _____

Is your organization an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit (or municipal agency/public school)?
IRS 501(c)3 _____ Municipal Agency _____ Other _____
If “other,” name of sponsoring 501(c)(3) organization _____

Has your organization received funding within the last two years from the VCF Community Fund (VCF Discretionary grant round)?
YES _____ NO _____ If “yes”, please attach a copy of your most recent report.

Brief Organization Mission and Background – organization’s history, mission, current services and relation to similar groups in Vermont:

Brief project description (to be used in publications):

Dollar amount requested _____ Project timeline _____
Total project budget _____ Total organization budget _____

You will be notified by the end of April 2008 with the results of your application.

Please mail three collated copies to: The Vermont Community Foundation, PO Box 30, Middlebury, VT 05753.

Please note: By submitting your application to the VCF, you give the VCF permission to share your application with other interested funders (if any), both individuals and foundations.

Checklist (3 collated copies of each):

- Cover sheet
- 2-page project narrative
- Resume (if not included in narrative)
- Timetable
- Project Budget
- Organizational Budget & Financial Statement
- Supporting Materials (optional)
- Board of Directors List
- 501(c)(3) Tax Determination Letter (one copy)
- Current Audited Financial Statement or most recent IRS 990 (one copy)