ANR ARPA Projects

Healthy Homes Program: On-Site

Total Program Funding – \$16 Million

Updated - January 11, 2023

Program Overview -

- Many low-income Vermonters are not able afford repairs to or replacement of failed drinking water wells and septic systems or have limited access to information about the true costs of on-site water and wastewater solutions, which in addition to capital costs, often include "hidden" operation and maintenance costs.
- This program is providing technical and financial assistance to low and moderate-income residential property owners, including owner-occupied multi-family properties with up to four units, to support up to the full cost of replacement for failing or inadequate on-site water and/or wastewater systems.

Program Availability -

- ANR first advertised the availability of this program late in 2021, and received an overwhelming response, revealing a true underlying need for lower income Vermonters to access support for basic water and sanitation at their homes.
- To date, over 2,000 households reached out seeking assistance; the 250 most-urgent, eligible requests have been selected for funding.
- ANR has issued a call for additional applications, and will award another round of awards, considering new applicants in addition to those applicants who were not yet funded in that initial solicitation. It is likely that a third solicitation will occur in late 2023 or early 2024 as well.

Program Highlight -

County	Households Receiving Awards
Addison	13
Bennington	9
Caledonia	14
Chittenden	13
Essex	8
Franklin	18
Grand Isle	3
Lamoille	7
Orange	16
Orleans	23
Rutland	12
Washington	16
Windham	17
Windsor	21
Grand Total	190

Award Type	Households Receiving Awards	Number of Awards
Drinking Water	82	82
Wastewater	71	71
Drinking Water and Wastewater	37	74
Grand Total	190	227

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Program Links - <u>https://anr.vermont.gov/special-topics/arpa-</u>vermont/funding-install-or-replace-water-or-wastewater-systems



ANR ARPA Projects

Healthy Homes Program: Manufactured Housing Communities

Total Program Funding - \$24.75 Million

Updated - January 11, 2023

Program Overview -

- Many manufactured housing communities (MHCs, also known as mobile home parks) in Vermont often struggle to provide affordable and adequate drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and drainage systems.
- ARPA funding will provide awards to improve living conditions for people in manufactured housing communities and help residents follow Vermont's environmental regulations.
- Awards will support needs assessments, receive technical assistance, and cover construction costs necessary to implement water infrastructure solutions. Construction project types must meet certain eligibility criteria.

Program Availability – ANR is in the process of making notifications for the first round of awards, with \$12.6 Million in awards pending. The remaining funding will be available to MHCs whom apply to subsequent rounds for construction in 2023 and possibly early 2024.

Program Highlights -

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County	Count of Proposed Grants	
Addison	4	
Bennington	5	
Caledonia	5	
Chittenden	8	
Franklin	6	
Lamoille	2	
Orange	3	
Orleans	1	
Rutland	5	
Washington	7	
Windham	4	
Windsor	6	
Grant Total	56	

Table 2. Proposed G	rants by Type and	Costs
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Grant Type	Count of Proposed Grants	Sum of Estimated ARPA Project Cost
Construction	19	\$10,890,902.68
Needs Assessment	11	\$440,000.00
TA/Permitting	26	\$1,272,678.50
Grand Total	56	\$12,603,581.18

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Program Links - <u>https://anr.vermont.gov/special-topics/arpa-vermont/manufactured-housing-community-solutions</u>



ANR ARPA Projects

Pretreatment Capacity Program

Total Program Funding – \$7 Million

Updated - December 30, 2022

Program Overview –

- Wastewater from commercial or industrial sources is more concentrated in pollutants than wastewater generated in residences.
- The expansion of Vermont's food and beverage manufacturing including craft brewing, dairy and meat processing and other small industries provides economic opportunity in many Vermont communities, but these businesses often produce high strength wastes that can be challenging for municipal wastewater facilities to treat.
- Pretreatment facilities remove or reduce harmful pollutants before they are discharged to municipal wastewater treatment facilities. In addition, pretreatment processes can address emerging contaminants and toxic chemicals such as per- and polyfluorinated substances (PFAS).

Program Availability – Eligible projects include treatment systems for high-strength or toxic wastewater discharged to a Vermont municipal wastewater treatment facility, municipal local limits development, pollution prevention implementation, industrial waste surveys, and leachate treatment.

Program Awardees – Initial awards are anticipated to be announced in early-2023; an additional solicitation is anticipated in late-2023.

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Program Links - https://anr.vermont.gov/special-topics/arpa-vermont/pretreatment-capacity



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