

Ask Your Questions about Hazard Mitigation Grants at VEM's Open Office Hours!

July 12, 2024



Vermont Emergency Management's Hazard Mitigation team will be offering a **series of three Open Office Hours**. Members of the team will be ready to discuss natural hazard mitigation project eligibility, the application process under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for VT-DR 4720 (July 2023 Flooding Mitigation Funding), and Benefit Cost Analysis. Please be ready to ask questions, share project ideas to address natural hazards, and identify any support you need.

When are the Open Office Hours?

You can participate in any or all of the session to ask your questions and to learn more about the grant. Just click the link on the day and time when the event occurs to join the event.

July 22 from 2-3 pm ET

Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NTViNDIxYWQtNzc4Yy00NmIxLWJIMGMtN2I1ODE1NjVhZmM2%40thread.v2/0?cbad-433c-9c02-70edcc7559c6%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22848af882-91dc-475e-984b-7bed0512d2f1%22%7d

July 31 from 1-2 pm ET

Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NjU2NTM0ZGQtYzcg4NS00MDUxLWlZGQzMjM5NWM2OTgwMjJi%40thread.v2/0?cbad-433c-9c02-70edcc7559c6%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22848af882-91dc-475e-984b-7bed0512d2f1%22%7d

August 7 from 2-3 pm ET

Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_N2VjOTY0NmMtMmJhNC00MGZmLWlwY2ltMDRIMTgxZjMxY2Jj%40thread.v2/0?cbad-433c-9c02-70edcc7559c6%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22848af882-91dc-475e-984b-7bed0512d2f1%22%7d

Application Reminders

- The deadline for submitting the [pre-application form](#) is currently **August 16, 2024**. Pre-applications only need to provide basic information on a proposed project so we can prioritize technical support to develop full applications.
- There is no longer a local match requirement for this funding.
- Local communities, regional planning commissions, certain private non-profits, and state agencies are encouraged to apply.
- The State of Vermont has made it [easier, and less burdensome](#), for municipalities to participate in Hazard Mitigation Program Grants for property buyouts submitted by August 16, 2024.

What Does This Grant Fund?

VEM anticipates a total of around **\$90 million** will be available under this funding round.

Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Flood-vulnerable buyouts and structural elevations
- Natural resource projects such as floodplain restorations or dam removals
- Infrastructure projects such as upsizing bridges or culverts
- Floodproofing of municipal or commercial buildings
- Landslide-vulnerable buyouts
- Road relocation, road elevations, or soil stabilization
- Generators for critical buildings

Where Can I Learn More?

To learn more, please visit [Vermont's Disaster Based Funding](#) page.

You can also reach out directly to dps.hazardmitigation@vermont.gov with any questions.