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Dear designated village center communities and interested applicants,

As part of an ongoing partnership to revitalize community centers and increase transportation options, the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTTrans) and the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD) in collaboration with the Agency of Natural Resources and the Vermont Department of Health are pleased to announce that the Better Connections (BC) Grant Program is now accepting applications. Annually, the program grants approximately \$200,000 in planning funds to help municipalities (outside of Chittenden County) build more livable, walkable and strong communities.

Grant Applications are due January 31, 2019 with all applicants required to participate in a pre-application meeting with BC Program Managers prior to December 31, 2018.

Please review the [Program Application Guidelines](#) and [Application Form](#) to apply.

Grant Timeline

- **Pre-application meeting deadline: December 31, 2018**
- RPC confirmation of municipal planning process: January 31, 2019
- **Application Deadline: January 31, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.**
- Award Decisions: March 15, 2019

For more information, contact Richard Amore at 802-828-5229 or Jackie Cassino, at 802-272-2368 and visit the grant website <http://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/projects-programs/better-connections>

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions or would like to schedule a pre-application meeting.

Thank you,
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Better Connections Program Managers

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