

GRANTS & COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

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New Opportunities:

Sawyer Community Fund

Sawyer Community Fund Grant

Description: The Kenneth V. and Jeannette Remp Sawyer Community Fund was established in 2018 as a geo-graphic-specific fund to support programs, projects and initiatives that broadly impact and enhance the quality of life in Boonville, Constableville, and Westernville in perpetuity.

Funding Available: February 2022

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

FY2023 Grants for Arts Projects

Description: Grants for Arts Projects is our principal grants program for organizations based in the United States. Through project-based funding, the program supports public engagement with, and access to, various forms of art across the nation, the creation of art, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Applicants may request cost share/matching grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000. Designated local arts agencies eligible to subgrant may request from \$10,000 to \$150,000 for sub-granting programs in the Local Arts Agencies discipline. A minimum cost share/match equal to the grant amount is required.

Deadline: There are two rounds in 2022; Deadlines are: February 10, 2022 and July 7, 2022

NYSUFC

NYS Urban Forestry Council (NYSUFC)

Quick Start Grants

Description: Through U.S. Forest Service funding, the NYSUFC offers Quick Start competitive grants of up to \$1,000 each to small communities who want to pursue Tree City USA status, starting with an inaugural Arbor Day tree planting celebration in spring or fall.

Deadline: February 10, 2022

Tree City USA Reward Grants

Description: The intent of this grant is to encourage municipalities to sustain their community forestry program and maintain their status as a Tree City USA through a celebratory tree planting in which large specimen trees or a grove of trees are planted in a prominent location within the community. The grants are made possible by a combination of U.S. Forest Service grant funds and unrestricted NYSUFC funds; applicants are sought in spring and/or fall and must have been a Tree City USA for at least the past five years.

Deadline: TBA

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State Farm

[Neighborhood Assist 2022](#)

Description: State Farm Neighborhood Assist® 2022 is here! Our goal is to help good neighbors across the U.S. take an active role in improving their communities. This year, we're awarding \$25,000 grants to 100 non-profits. Tell us about your cause and the positive impact it could make in your community for a chance to win!

Deadline: February 16, 2022

Department of the Interior National Park Service

[Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program](#)

Description: The Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program funds programs that support the rehabilitation of historic properties to foster economic development in rural communities. The subgrant programs fund preservation projects that include architectural/engineering services and physical preservation.

Deadline: February 22, 2022

ACRA

[Adirondack Community Recreation Alliance Innovation Fund](#)

Description: Grants of up to \$5,000 for projects that will enhance recreation amenities to benefit Adirondack communities.

Deadline: February 25, 2022

DEC

[Household Hazardous Waste State Assistance Program](#)

Description: The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) provides funding to reimburse up to 50% of the eligible costs of municipal household hazardous waste (HHW) collection programs. HHWs are materials found in household waste that would be regulated as hazardous waste if they were generated at a business or industry, including but not limited to pesticides, automotive fluids, home hobby chemicals and compact fluorescent bulbs.

Deadline: February 28, 2022 - 3 PM

USDA

[Rural Business Development Grant \(RBDG\)](#)

Description: Search for Funding Opportunity Number RDBCP-RBDG-2022 This program is designed to provide technical assistance and training for small rural businesses (businesses that have fewer than 50 new workers and less than \$1 million in gross revenue). The purpose of the program is to promote economic development and job creation projects through the awarding of grant funds to

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Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) *Continued*

eligible entities. Applications will compete in two separate categories, business opportunity grants and business enterprise grants, for use in funding various business and community projects that serve rural areas.

Deadline: February 28, 2022

J.M. Kaplan

Furthermore, Grants in Publishing Program

Description: The Furthermore program supports the publishing of nonfiction books about art, architecture and design; cultural history, urbanism, and related public issues; conservation and preservation. The program focuses on work that appeals to an informed but broad audience, offers longevity, and demonstrates high standards in editing, design, and production.

Individual grants ranging from \$1,500 to \$15,000 may be used to support writing, research, editing, design, indexing, photography, illustration, and/or printing and binding. The program prefers to provide support for book projects to which a publisher is already committed and for which there is a feasible distribution plan.

Deadline: March 1, 2022

New York State Council on the Arts and the Preservation League

Preserve NY Grant

Description: The 2022 round of Preserve NY grants is now open! Launched in 1993, Preserve New York (PNY) is a partnership of the New York State Council on the Arts and the Preservation League, with additional support from the Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation. PNY makes grants for historic structure reports, building condition reports, cultural landscape reports, and cultural resource surveys.

The program provides support for up to 80% of the project cost. Applicants must provide 20% of the total project cost as a cash match. Grants are likely to range between \$5,000 and \$14,000.

Deadline: April 15, 2022

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

FY2023 Challenge America

Description: Challenge America offers support primarily to small organizations for projects in all artistic disciplines that extend the reach of the arts to populations that are underserved. Challenge America features an abbreviated application, a robust structure of technical assistance, and grants for a set amount of \$10,000. Grants require a cost share/match of \$10,000 consisting of cash and/or in-kind contributions. Total project costs must be at least \$20,000 or greater.

This category is an entry point for organizations seeking NEA funding.

Deadline: April 21, 2022

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Office of Community Renewal

[NYS CDBG CARES](#)

Description: Please also be advised that the NOFA for NYS CDBG CARES funding has been extended.

Entitlement & non-entitlement communities statewide are eligible to apply for a variety of activities to support COVID response and recovery. Please review the NOFA available online here: https://hcr.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2021/08/2021-ocr-housing-resources-nofa-federal-final_0.pdf and contact OCR via CDBGCARES@nyshcr.org with questions.

Deadline: OCR will continue to accept applications under the current NOFA until a new one is released later this year.

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

[2021 Round of the Municipal Zero-Emission Vehicle \(ZEV\) Program](#)

Description: A total of \$2.8 million is available to help municipalities install public charging stations and purchase or lease electric vehicles for fleet use.

ZEV Rebates: Up to \$300,000 in rebates are available for municipalities that purchase (or lease for a minimum of 36 months) eligible vehicles from a dealership in New York. Plug-in hybrid, all-electric, or hydrogen fuel cell vehicles are eligible for rebates of up to \$7,500 per vehicle, depending on the electric range of the vehicle and provided they were placed into municipal service on or after March 1, 2020.

ZEV Infrastructure Grants: Up to \$2.5 million is available for municipalities to install hydrogen filling station components or electric vehicle chargers. A variable local match of zero to 20% of the total project cost is required based on the community's median household income. The maximum grant amount for any location is \$250,000 and \$500,000 to any one municipality.

Deadline: Applications accepted on a rolling basis until funding is exhausted.

[Ongoing Opportunities:](#)

MLB - MLBPA

[Youth Development Foundation Grants](#)

Description: Major League Baseball (MLB) and the Major League Baseball Players Association (MLBPA) joined together to form a charitable foundation with a shared goal of increasing participation in and expanding access to youth baseball and softball. The MLB-MLBPA Youth Development Foundation (YDF) has awarded millions of dollars in grants to community-based projects that encourage and empower youth through baseball and softball in underserved communities. In response to the rising costs to access youth sports and protect children's rights in sports, YDF funds capital projects, programming, and education initiatives in the United States and internationally to ensure that all youth have an opportunity to play and learn through baseball and

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Youth Development Foundation Grants (continued)

softball. Organizations applying for funding must have a strong sense of mission, proven track record of increasing access to affordable youth baseball and/or softball, committed leadership and a dedicated staff, and understanding and knowledge of the community and population served. Interested applicants must submit an initial Letter of Inquiry (LOI) with proof of secured or projected funding to be considered for an application. Proposals are accepted year-round and grant decisions are made on a quarterly basis.

Deadline: Rolling. Applications are accepted throughout the year, and grant decisions are made by its Board of Directors on a quarterly basis.

USDA Rural Development

Community Facilities Programs

Description: Community Facilities Programs offer direct loans, loan guarantees and grants to develop or improve essential public services and facilities in communities across rural America. Public bodies, non-profit organizations and federally recognized American Indian Tribes can use the funds to construct, expand or improve facilities that provide health care, education, public safety, and public services. Projects include fire and rescue stations, village and town halls, healthcare clinics, hospitals, adult and childcare centers, assisted living facilities, rehabilitation centers, public buildings, schools, libraries, and many other community-based initiatives. Financing may also cover the costs for land acquisition, professional fees, and purchase of equipment.

Funding: Based on community served

Deadline: Rolling application deadline

Gary Sinise Foundation

First Responder Grant

Description: Grant funds limited to equipment and training only for: Law Enforcement Departments, Fire Departments, and Paramedic or EMS Departments, with priority for volunteer, low, and underfunded departments.

Funding: Not Indicated

Deadline: Rolling application deadline

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Orton Family Foundation

Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant

Description: The Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant Program is designed for small cities and towns (population 2,500-30,000) provides \$10,000 in funding for resident-driven groups in small cities and towns to start the Community Heart & Soul model. Grant funding requires a \$10,000 cash match from the participating municipality or a partnering organization. Community Heart & Soul is a four-phase, step-by-step process that brings residents together to chart a course forward that recognizes and honors the unique character of their town and the emotional connection of the people who live there.

Funding: \$10,000 - with an equal match

Deadline: Rolling application deadline

NYSERDA

Clean Energy Communities Grants

1. Clean Energy Communities Designation Grants: \$5,000 (no match)

- A one-time grant of \$5,000 is available to any community that completes any 4 of 13 possible high-impact actions. (Please see list of high-impact actions below).

2. Point-Based Grants: \$10,000-\$100,000 (no match)

- Earn points for each high-impact action completed (200-2,000 points per action)
- Collect enough points to cross certain point thresholds to become eligible for larger grant amounts before they are all claimed.

Total Points	Total Awards in North Country	Grant Amount
3,000	40	\$10,000
4,000	10	\$20,000
5,000	4	\$70,000

3. Action Grants: \$5,000 per eligible action completed (no match)

- Implement NYStretch Energy Code (applicable if you enforce the Uniform Code for private buildings)

Municipality Size by Population	Action Grant Amount	Number of Awards
0-39,999	\$5,000	100

- Community Campaigns: Complete any of the following campaign types, but no more than one campaign per campaign type, to earn credit for this action. A single campaign may cover more than one technology.

Campaign Type	Required # of Participants	Grant Amount	Number of Awards
Community Solar	10	\$5,000	100 campaigns statewide for municipalities with population 0-39,999
Electric Vehicles	10	\$5,000	
Clean Heating, Cooling & Energy Efficiency	3	\$5,000	
Demand Response	10	\$5,000	

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High-Impact Action Items:

1. **Unified Solar Permit:** 200 points
2. **Energy Code Enforcement Training:** 200 points
3. **Benchmarking:** 100-300 points (municipalities w/population 0-39,999)
4. **Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing:** 200-500 points
5. **Clean Energy Upgrades:** 500 points
6. **Clean Heating and Cooling Demo:** 500 points
7. **100% Renewable Electricity:** 500 points
8. **Community Campaigns:** 200-800 points
9. **Climate Smart Communities Certification:** 600-800 points
10. **LED Street Lights:** 200-900 points
11. **Clean Fleets:** 200-1,000 points
12. **NYStretch Energy Code:** 1,200 points
13. **Community Choice Aggregation (CCA):** 1,500-2,000 points

***More information on the program is available [here](#)

Funding Available: For municipalities with population under 40,000

Deadline: NYSERDA will accept applications on a rolling basis until December 31, 2025, or until funds are exhausted.

Lewis County Chamber of Commerce

Community Mural Initiative

Description: Murals are a great way to beautify blank spaces and showcase a community's identity and history. Interested towns and villages can reach out to the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce for more information.

Contact: Kristen Aucter at (315) 376-2213 or e-mail: kristen@lewiscountychamber.org



Mural at Harrisville Free Library

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

Charge Ready NY

Description: Charge Ready NY offers public and private organizations that install Level 2 EV charging stations at public parking facilities, workplaces, and multi-family apartment buildings rebates of \$4,000 per charging port they install. Charging stations are an eligible high impact action item to earn Clean Energy Communities designation and funding.

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Eligible Locations:

- Public Parking Lots: Includes municipal lots, parking at retail locations, parks, schools, hotels/motels, etc. that have a minimum of 10 parking spots and are open to the general public at least 12 hours per day, 5 days per week.
- Workplaces: Schools, hospitals, office buildings, and businesses with a minimum of 15 employees regularly working at the site.
- Multi-Unit Dwellings: Apartment buildings with at least eight parking spaces that serve five or more housing units.

Funding Available: \$4,000 rebate per charging station

Deadline: Rolling application deadline

National Grid

Electric Vehicle Charging Station Program

Description: Partner with National Grid to install electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at little or no cost. Our programs offer incentives and opportunities to install EV charging stations, save on electricity costs for DC fast-charging stations, and convert fleet vehicles to EVs.

- Electric Vehicle Charging Station Make-Ready Program
Partner with us to install EV charging stations at little or no cost and attract customers to your business.
- Fleet Advisory Services and Make-Ready Program
Partner with us to create a plan for converting your fleet vehicles to electric alternatives and access funding to install chargers.
- DCFC Per Plug Incentive Program
Take advantage of the annual discount to save electricity cost for DC fast-charging stations.

Funding Available: 50%-100% Cost Based on Established Project Criteria

Deadline: Rolling application

New York State

NYS Septic System Replacement Fund Program

Description: The New York State Septic System Replacement Fund Program provides funding to replace cesspools and septic systems in New York State. This grant program's goal is to reduce the environmental and public-health impacts associated with the discharge from cesspools and septic systems to improve water quality. The program targets cesspools and septic systems near priority waterbodies. Failing systems along the **Beaver River, Lower, and tributaries** could be eligible for this funding.

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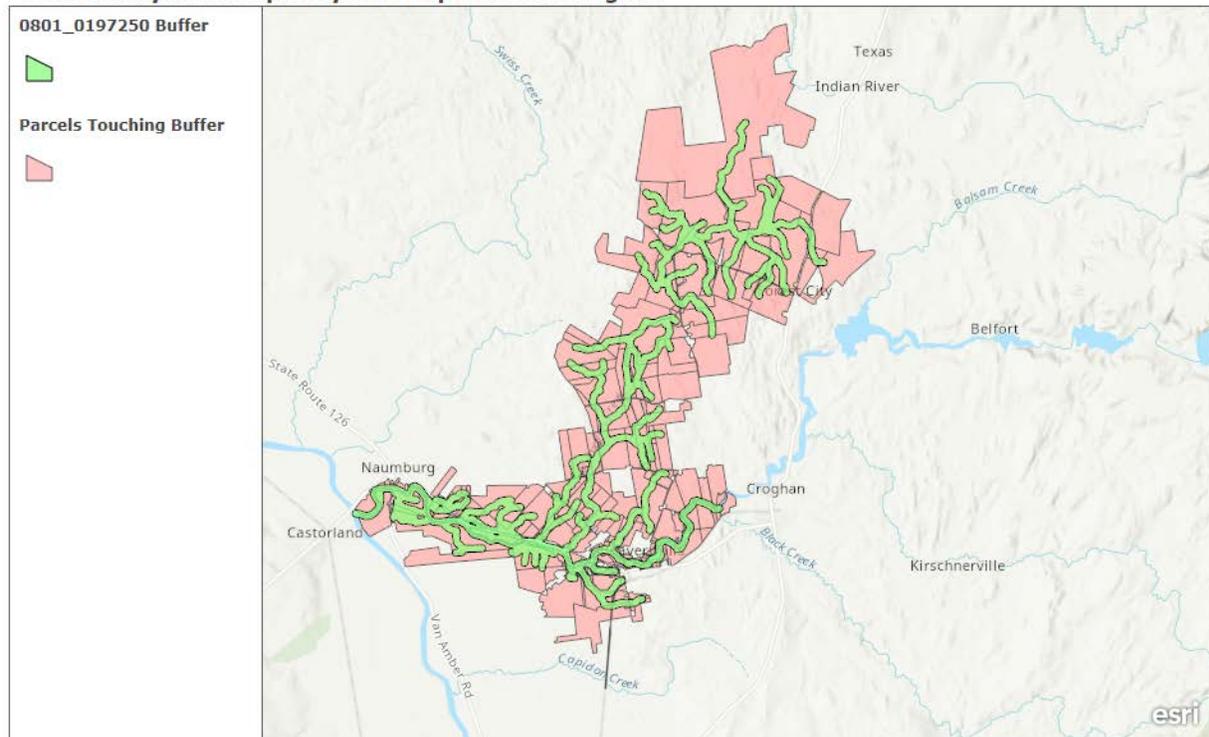
[NYS Septic System Replacement Fund Program \(continued\)](#)

The state is providing Lewis County with funds to work with local property owners. Lewis County will provide grants to reimburse the property owner for up to 50% of the costs (up to a maximum of \$10,000) of their eligible septic system project, include:

- replacement of a cesspool with a septic system; or
- installation, replacement or upgrade of a septic system or septic system components;
- installation of enhanced treatment technologies, including an advanced nitrogen removal system.

Deadline: Rolling application

Lewis County State Septic System Replacement Program



Beaver River, Lower, and tribs septic replacement map

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