

Combined meeting of the Strafford EDD & Strafford MPO
 Friday, April 15, 2022 9:00 – 10:30 AM
 Hybrid Meeting (Conference Rm 1A, SRPC Office & via Zoom)

In accordance with RSA 91:A, the Commission requires a minimum of an in-person quorum. To organize this, the Commission staff will confirm the necessary in-person attendance. It is the preference of the Commission that others participate via Zoom, however, guests may attend the meeting at the SRPC Office. All participants, both in-person and virtual, can communicate contemporaneously. View the remote access information below.

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Agenda Item	Time	Pre-Meeting Task/Notes
1) Introductions	3 minutes	
Convene as Strafford EDD		
2) Action Items [require a vote] a) Preliminary approval of CEDS project list	20 minutes	a) Review draft project list and information
Convene as Strafford MPO		
3) Action Items [require a vote] a) Approve draft minutes from March 18, 2022	5 minutes	a) Review draft minutes prior to meeting
4) Discussion Items a) Should MPO staff provide testimony on state legislation in development?	20 minutes	a) Review information on state bills
5) Other Business & Updates from Staff	5 minutes	
6) Commissioner Roundtable Updates, challenges, opportunities from your community	15 minutes	
7) Citizen's Forum		
8) Adjourn		

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RULES OF PROCEDURE

*Strafford Regional Planning Commission
Strafford Metropolitan Planning Organization, and
Strafford Economic Development District*

Meeting Etiquette

Be present at the scheduled start of the meeting.

Be respectful of the views of others.

Ensure that only one person talks at a time. Raising your hand to be recognized by the chair or facilitator is good practice.

Do not interrupt others or start talking before someone finishes.

Do not engage in cross talk.

Avoid individual discussions in small groups during the meeting. When one person speaks, others should listen.

Active participation is encouraged from all members.

When speaking, participants should adhere to topics of discussion directly related to agenda items.

When speaking, individuals should be brief and concise when speaking.

The Strafford Regional Planning Commission & Metropolitan Planning Organization holds both public meetings and public hearings.

For public meetings, guests are welcome to observe, but should follow proper meeting etiquette allowing the meeting to proceed uninterrupted. Members of the public who wish to be involved and heard should use venues such as Citizen Forum, Public Hearings, Public Comment Periods, outreach events, seminars, workshops, listening sessions, etc.



Memo

Strafford MPO Policy Committee meeting

April 15, 2022

EDD

Special convening of the Strafford Economic Development District: Review and preliminary approval of the draft list of projects for the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

SRPC staff have been soliciting projects from municipalities to compile into the project list for the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). They are requesting that commissioners review the draft list for discussion and a vote to preliminarily approve it at the meeting on Friday. Included in the packet are an informational memo on the CEDS, the project list, and the solicitation form.

MPO

The meeting packet includes information on state bills that have made it out of the legislative body where they originated and have transferred to either the House or Senate. Bills that appear in the document in ~~strike through~~ text have been rejected outright or tabled for this season. This is likely the final time the Policy Committee will have an opportunity to request MPO staff to provide testimony on any pending legislation.

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Economic Development District

CEDS Priority Project List

CEDS link: <http://strafford.org/plans/ceds/>

Background: Strafford Regional Planning Commission is designated as an Economic Development District by the US Economic Development Administration (EDA). Due to conflicting EDD boundaries, the Strafford EDD consists only of the SRPC communities located in Strafford and Carrol Counties. This designation requires that we update a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to establish and promote our region's economic development priorities. SRPC adopted the 2021-2025 CEDS last year, and will conduct annual metric and status updates each year from 2022-2025. The SRPC Commissioners act as the "Board of Directors" for the Strafford EDD (similar to your function as the Strafford MPO Policy Committee) and are responsible for formally adopting the CEDS.

Priority Projects: The priority project list is a key component of the CEDS. These projects are submitted by municipalities and other partner organizations as projects that most reflect their economic development, infrastructure, and resiliency needs. Solicitation for projects occurred in February -April 2022. In order to be included on the Strafford EDD priority project list, a project must meet two criteria:

- All projects must be sponsored by a municipality or non-profit organization. Public-private partnerships can be included provided they are sponsored by a public or non-profit organization.
- The project must align with one or more of the goals or themes contained in the CEDS. A summary of the themes under development for the 2021-2025 CEDS has been provided for your reference, and project submission forms contained in Appendix A asked sponsors to identify how their project aligned with these themes.

Inclusion on the priority project list is a requirement to be eligible for certain EDA funding opportunities. Additionally, inclusion in a regional plan frequently makes projects more competitive for other state and federal programs even if not required for eligibility. Unlike the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the CEDS is not fiscally constrained and does not have a dedicated funding pool that projects will be entered into. Its purpose is to help the Strafford EDD connect municipalities and other partner organizations to resources and advocate on behalf of projects that advance our region's economic priorities.

Adoption: The 2022 CEDS update will be presented to the Commission for adoption later this year. Staff is currently seeking a motion for "preliminary approval" of the project list or suggestions for how it may be improved. In 2021 we sought formal adoption of this list at this point in the planning process because our prior CEDS had expired and we anticipated significant opportunities to support projects through CARES Act and ARPA funding opportunities. This year we feel that the adopted 2021-2025 CEDS is sufficient for these purposes and will wait to recommend formal adoption of the project list along with the rest of the CEDS update, which we anticipate occurring in June. Therefore, projects that have not yet been received may still be added or updated if additional information is submitted prior to adoption.

Project ID	Title	Sponsor	Status	Project Cost*
BAR1	Barrington's first sidewalks	Barrington	No update	\$1,253,514
BRK1	Public Arts Initiative	Governor Wentworth Arts Council	No update	\$7,500
COAST1	COAST Administration, Operations, and Maintenance Facility	COAST	Status updated	\$12,632,500
CWE1	Community Classrooms: Support for New, Existing, and Aspiring Women Entrepreneurs	Center for Women & Enterprise	Status updated	\$20,000
DOV1	Redevelopment of environmentally stressed plating plant and grounds on Broadway in downtown Dover	Dover	No update	\$2,500,000
DOV2	Public Infrastructure Investment to Assist with Private Development	Dover	No update	\$1,000,000
DOV3	Public Infrastructure Investment to Assist with Pedestrian and Vehicular flow	Dover	No update	\$12,000,000
DOV4	Community Trail connection and expansion to Knox Marsh Rd	Dover	No update	\$800,000
DOV5	Central Avenue Reconstruction	Dover	No update	\$3,000,000
DOV6	Whittier Street Sidewalk	Dover	No update	\$650,000
DOV7	Downtown Waterfront Shoreline Stabilization/Riverwalk	Dover	No update	\$3,500,000
DOV8	Chestnut Street Bridge Repair	Dover	No update	\$800,000
DOV9	Henry Law Avenue and River Street Reconstruction	Dover	No update	\$2,400,000
DOV10	Neighborhood Street Reconstruction	Dover	No update	\$2,400,000
DOV11	Public Safety Fire/Police Training Structure	Dover	No update	\$1,500,000
DUR1	Madbury Rd Improvements	Durham	Status updated	\$2,885,000
DUR2	Fire Station Renovation and Overflow	Durham	Status updated	\$520,000
DUR3	Critical Facilities Backup Generators	Durham	Funded - completion pending	\$580,000
DUR4	66 Main Street Parking	Durham	Status updated	\$7,000,000
DUR5	Beech Hill Tank Mixing System	Durham	Status updated	\$275,000
DUR6	Southern Strafford County Communications System	Durham	Funded - completion pending	\$2,500,000

Project ID	Title	Sponsor	Status	Project Cost*
DUR7	Wastewater Treatment Plant Odor Control System	Durham	Status updated	\$750,000
DUR8	Bickford-Chesley House Preservation	Durham	Status updated	\$437,475
DUR9	Durham Old Town Hall Preservation	Durham	Status updated	\$366,270
DUR10	Oyster River Dam	Durham	Status updated	\$1,462,950
FAR1	Sidewalk Network Expansion	Farmington	Status updated	\$990,160
FAR2	Re-Development of the Old Fire Department Lot	Farmington	Status updated	\$0
FAR3	Farmington Levee	Farmington	Anticipated project (form pending)	\$0
FAR4	Farmington Red-Listed Bridges (4 bridges, TBD whether it will be submitted as 1 project or 4)	Farmington	Anticipated project (form pending)	\$0
MIL1	Pedestrian & Utilities Upgrades	Milton	No update	\$2,600,000
MIL2	Mending Fences and Developing Water Solutions	NH Farm Museum	No update	\$45,000
NDU1	Boodey Farmstead Restoration	New Durham	New project	\$300,000
NDU2	Meetinghouse Restoration	New Durham	New project	\$280,000
ROC1	Portland St Sidewalk extension	Rochester	No update	\$900,000
ROC2	Route 11 Safety and Capacity Improvements	Rochester	No update	\$5,200,000
ROC3	Union Street Parking lot	Rochester	No update	\$0
ROC4	Cocheco Well Upgrades	Rochester	No update	\$5,000,000
ROC5	Round Pond Reservoir Capacity	Rochester	No update	\$6,000,000
ROC6	Wastewater Phosphorus Upgrades	Rochester	No update	\$15,000,000
ROC7	Re-line drinking water pipeline	Rochester	No update	\$2,000,000
ROC8	Rebuild Portland Street Bridge	Rochester	No update	\$1,000,000
ROC9	Lead Service Line Replacements	Rochester	No update	\$0
ROC10	North Main Street/Chestnut Hill Road Connector	Rochester	No update	\$0
ROC11	Additional Facility adjacent to Recovery Transitional House for Women	Hope on Haven Hill	Status updated	\$2,200,000
ROC12	Innovation Drive Extension	Rochester	New project	\$2,500,000
ROC13	Innovation Drive Sewer Pump Station	Rochester	New project	\$2,750,000
ROC14	Freight Study	Rochester	New project	\$20,000
SBDC1	NH SBDC Inclusivity Project	NH Small Business Development Center	No update	\$0
SEDC1	Revolving Loan Fund	Strafford Economic Development Corporation	Status updated	\$2,000,000

Project ID	Title	Sponsor	Status	Project Cost*
SOM1	Library Accessibility Improvements	Somersworth	No update	\$500,000
SOM2	National Guard Readiness Center Reuse	Somersworth	No update	\$0
SOM3	Fire Station Training Tower and Equipment	Somersworth	No update	\$336,000
SOM4	Constitutional Way Complete Streets	Somersworth	No update	\$1,086,000
SOM5	Main Street Complete Streets	Somersworth	No update	\$6,400,000
SOM6	Fire Pumper Engine 2	Somersworth	Complete	\$650,000
SOM7	Millennium Field Improvements	Somersworth	No update	\$200,000
SOM8	Hamilton Water Tower	Somersworth	No update	\$6,324,800
SOM9	JA Prince Garage	Somersworth	New project	\$660,382
SRPC1	Arts and Culture Inventory and Online Guide	Strafford Regional Planning Commission	Status updated	\$40,000
SRPC2	Brownfields Assessment Program	Strafford Regional Planning Commission	Status updated	\$300,000
SRPC3	Regional Housing Needs Assessment	Strafford Regional Planning Commission	Status updated	\$40,000
STRCO1	Strafford County P25 Radio System	Strafford County	No update	\$3,400,000
UNH1	Immersive Learning for Workforce Development	University of New Hampshire	No update	\$1,914,333
UNH2	Economic Recovery and Resilience Resource Hub	University of New Hampshire	Complete	\$420,000
UNH3	West Edge Innovation Neighborhood (replaces UNH Research Park)	University of New Hampshire	Status updated	\$80,000,000
UNH4**	Economic resilience through enhanced capacity to monitor future threats and mobilize resources to combat future disease outbreaks	University of New Hampshire	Status updated	\$0
UNH5	Expansion of UNH's Jackson Estuarine Laboratory in support of a resilient NH coastal economy	University of New Hampshire	Funded - completion pending	\$3,813,000
UNH6	A STEM-Focused Outdoor Walking Museum at the Living Bridge	University of New Hampshire	No update	\$750,000
UNH7	Sources and Fate of PFAS in New Hampshire Community Wastewater Systems	University of New Hampshire	No update	\$900,000
UNH8	South Drive Infrastructure Improvements	University of New Hampshire	Status updated	\$3,510,000
UNH9	Blue Economy Master Plan	University of New Hampshire	New project	\$500,000
UNH10	Cybersecurity Center and Testbed	University of New Hampshire	New project	\$3,000,000
WAK1	Wakefield Sewer Project	Wakefield	No update	\$800,000
WAK2	Sanbornville Precinct water system upgrades	Sanbornville Precinct	No update	\$5,000,000
WAK3	Gafney Library Expansion	Gafney Library	No update	\$1,450,000

Project ID	Title	Sponsor	Status	Project Cost*
WEDCO1	Intersection Improvement-Cotton Valley Rail Trail & Rte. 16	Wentworth Economic Development Corporation	No update	\$0
WEDCO2	Explore Moose Mountains Region	Wentworth Economic Development Corporation	No update	\$63,100
WEDCO3	Moose Mountains Scenic Byway	Wentworth Economic Development Corporation	No update	\$0
	78 Total Projects	22 Partner Organizations	8 New Projects; 20 Updated; 43 No Update; 2 Pending; 3 Funded; 2 Complete	\$232,082,984
*Projects for which no cost estimate was available are entered as \$0; where projects provide a range, the highest cost estimate was used for this table				
**Costs for this project overlap with revised project for West Edge Innovation Neighborhood				

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Economic Development District

Appendix A – Project Forms



The Strafford Regional Planning Commission, being an Economic Development District, is responsible for the development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) which will be submitted to the Economic Development Administration. This document includes a Priority Project List consisting of projects that promote economic development throughout our communities and region, which will allow them to be eligible to receive funding for implementation from EDA.

If you have a project that you would like to submit for consideration, you can do so by completing this form and sending it to James Burdin at jburdin@strafford.org. The deadline for submission is March 5th, 2021. If you have more than one project that you would like to submit, please submit a form for each individual project.

Title of Project: Barrington’s first sidewalks

Community or Organization Name: Barrington

Contact Person & Title: Marcia Gasses

Phone: 603-664-0195

E-mail Address: mgasses@barrington.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The town will build approximately 2,750 feet of new sidewalk to connect local schools, local village district, and growing residential development. This the first sidewalk to be built in Barrington and will be critical for the town’s continued economic development.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Install 5 foot wide concrete sidewalks along westbound side of NH9: approximately 2,750 linear feet from Christmas Lane to Barrington Middle School. Includes ADA accessible crossings for all four legs of NH125/NH9 Intersection, and a pedestrian activated rectangular rapid flashing beacon at the middle school.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

\$1,253,514

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The intersection currently has no pedestrian facilities. This is a barrier to economic development in an area where several small businesses operate and more commercial and residential development is planned or anticipated. The lack of pedestrian facilities is also a safety hazard for students walking to the town middle school. Pedestrian safety and accessibility will be critical to the development of the local village district.



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Title of Project: Public Arts Initiative

Community or Organization Name: Governor Wentworth Arts Council

Contact Person & Title: Liz Helfer, Interim Publicity Chair

Phone: 617-501-5049

E-mail Address: elizabeth.p.helfer@gmail.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Governor Wentworth Arts Council is planning a series of free public arts events in 2022 to benefit communities within the School District (Brookfield, Effingham, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro). The goals of this "Public Arts Initiative" are to improve community resilience post-pandemic and to strengthen collaboration between residents and local cultural organizations.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Governor Wentworth Arts Council (GWAC) has one event is planned for the spring, one for the summer, and one for the fall of 2022. GWAC is working with the forthcoming GALA Makers Mill and local schools to host an “Up-Cycled Fashion Show” in celebration of Earth Day 2022. The fashion show will showcase local creativity and promote earth-friendly habits by challenging participants to design fashion garments using recycled clothing items. Projected participants: 30. Projected audience: 200.

GWAC is also planning a pilot “YardArt” celebration for summer 2022. This month-long exhibition will invite residents and organizations to create original artwork on their own property that can be seen from the road or sidewalk. This event would be modeled after YardArt Watertown, which just concluded in Watertown, Massachusetts. Watertown’s event boasted over 140 locations and received glowing feedback from both participants and viewers. Liz Helfer was an organizer of the Watertown event and will guide the GWAC version. The primary goals of the event are to lower the barrier of entry into “fine art” and to encourage an inclusive attitude towards creativity. Projected participants: 200. Projected audience: residents and visitors to communities within the Governor Wentworth School District.

GWAC is in talks with the Wright Museum in Wolfeboro, NH, to host a “Sidewalk Chalk Art” event. This would happen at the end of the museum’s peak season, in early Autumn. The goal is to raise awareness of local cultural entities while encouraging healthy outdoor activity. Artists of all ages will use their chalk to decorate the pavement of the Wright Museum parking lot. Projected participation: 50. Projected audience: 400 (or until the rain washes the chalk away).

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Public Arts Initiative – Projected Total Cost \$7500

Up-Cycled Fashion Show: \$2500

Marketing, venue booking, and material costs begin in January 2022, resolved by April 2022.

GWAC YardArt: \$3500

Marketing, participant signage, and artist fees begin in March 2022, resolved by August 2022.

Sidewalk Chalk Art: \$1500

Marketing, materials and artist fees begin in June 2022, resolved by October 2022.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Age Friendliness

Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Equity and Environmental Justice

Infrastructure

Mobility and Accessibility

Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The goals of the GWAC “Public Arts Initiative” are to improve community resilience post-pandemic and to strengthen collaboration between residents and local cultural organizations. To ensure that each activity is truly Public Art, each event has been carefully planned to be accessible across many demographics: age, gender, race, ability, and income level.

Each event is designed to be inclusive of all ages. YardArt and Chalk Art, specifically, are family-friendly events that encourage intergenerational interaction. The Fashion Show is intended for teen and adult participation but no age limit will be set on any event. The average age of GWAC’s member base, and corresponding volunteer group, skews toward past age 50; by default, participation in GWAC events will include older residents of the communities.

The Public Arts Initiative is a celebration of creativity within the communities that GWAC serves. In direct partnership with other cultural organizations and public entities, GWAC hopes to put a spotlight on the strength of our wider community.

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Title of Project: COAST Administrative, Operations, and Maintenance (A/O/M) Facility

Community or Organization Name: Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST)

Contact Person & Title: Rad Nichols/Executive Director

Phone: 603.516.0782

E-mail Address: rnichols@coastbus.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): unknown

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

COAST is seeking to complete design, permitting, and construct a new administration, operations, and maintenance facility on its current property in Dover, NH. The communities of COAST's service region cannot grow and thrive without public transit. Without this new building COAST cannot continue to maintain or expand our essential services.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The new facility would replace the current facility that was on the property, and COAST has been operating out of since 2000, when it was purchased. This project will help sustain transit operations in the region, consolidate all staff back onto the site, reduce ongoing operating costs by tens of thousands of dollars annually, improve the quality of services provided, and set COAST up for a future transition to an electric vehicle fleet.

The project represents an upfront investment to ensure reliable and critically important public transit for the next 40+ years. The benefits cannot be realized without the new facility, as COAST's current facility is a significant limiting factor due to age, building deficiencies, lack of accessibility, and insufficient size due to the successful and significant growth of our operation over the past 20+ years. It will reduce ongoing operating costs by tens of thousands of dollars annually, directly improve the quality of services provided to our customers and set COAST up for a potential future transition to an electric vehicle fleet.

Based on the developed building space requirements outlined in our 2020 Facility Needs Assessment, the area required for the administration, operations and maintenance uses is more than double the size of COAST's current facility. A new indoor bus storage facility is also being proposed. The identified spaces are currently conceptualized to be two separate structures. In total, the proposed new structures represent a nearly 500% increase in square footage for COAST.

We have completed conceptual design, have begun submitting grants to fund the project, and are currently working on progressing to 30% - 60% design and then permitting. The project will take two construction seasons to complete in two phases.

This project can be transformational for public transit in the region.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The total estimated project cost (in FY22 dollars) is \$14,700,000. Funding sources include the following:

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| • Federal Transit Administration | \$11,760,000 |
| • State of NH Capital Program Funds | \$ 1,470,000 |
| • NH CDFA Tax Credit Program | \$ 500,000 |
| • Match Eligible Non-USDOT Federal Funds | \$ 200,000 |

- Private Foundations \$50,000 to \$100,000
- Capital Campaign/COAST Unrestricted Reserves/Loans \$700,000

In all cases we are actively pursuing these funds, engaging in discussions, writing grant applications, and preparing budget requests.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

A new facility with adequate, efficiently planned, and operated space, that meets COAST’s needs today and well into the future will allow our organization to continue to play our imperative role providing essential services to meet basic human needs and access to economic opportunity, and all while enhancing and supporting the economic and social vibrancy of the communities we operate in.

Our vision at COAST is to be an innovative leader in providing a broad range of public transit services, connecting and coordinating a robust network of transportation options for everyone. Our organization has been the region’s primary public transportation provider for nearly 40 years. In that time, we have provided over 15.5 million passenger trips, helping individuals affordably meet their travel needs and facilitating an interconnected network of more economically competitive communities because of the provision of our services. We have a tremendous track record of success, particularly over the past 20 years.

The 2021 RPC & SRPC Study on the Economic Benefits of COAST Services within Seacoast NH provides quantitative and qualitative insights into how our services impact the local economy of the Seacoast. The direct, indirect, and induced effects of our spending on the local economy is estimated to be >\$14M annually. The economic impact of access provided by COAST services is estimated at >\$11M annually. Every dollar invested in COAST public transportation services generates approximately \$4.08 of activity in the local economy. COAST is an integral part of the interconnected Greater Seacoast region of New Hampshire.

This project is critical for re-establishing facilities that can support and enhance the efficiency of COAST’s increasingly important regional public transit operation.



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Title of Project: Redevelopment of environmentally stressed plating plant and grounds on Broadway in downtown Dover

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Christopher Parker, Assistant City Manager

Phone: 603-516-6010

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Estimated 5 FTE's

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

A former cinder block electroplating plant building, with structural issues, and the surrounding property may be contaminated with solvents and heavy metals. This prevents active rehabilitation and reuse. The property is located near the downtown center and needs to be decontaminated and redeveloped for re-use as a usable building and job site.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The City would work with the private property owner to demolish the existing cinder block edifice, which is falling down at one end, and dispose of environment debris in a manifested landfill. Once the building is removed, the contaminated soil underneath and around the building would be addressed in a similarly manifested landfill.

Finally, the site would be regraded and backfilled with clean soil, so that a new commercial or mixed use building with paving, parking and infrastructure can be contrasted by the private property owner.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Estimated at \$2.5 million

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The project reclaims a contaminated and unusable building and grounds and creates a potential job site in the center of downtown Dover. The site will be a usable, environmentally clean entity adding to the local economy. It would represent another instance of public/private cooperation with developers and abutting land owners.



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Title of Project: Public Infrastructure Investment to Assist with Private Development

Community or Organization Name: City of Dover

Contact Person & Title: Christopher Parker, Assistant City Manager

Phone: 603.516.6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): 100

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The City has a track record of working with private property owners to redevelop non-residential property to add to the economic base in the community. The project will fund infrastructure needs when a project is in place, which needs assistance with infrastructure improvements.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The City will partner with a private entity to cover the costs of infrastructure investment, to assure that a project which generates employment and diversifies tax base is proposed. The investment is made after the private entity has created the infrastructure and the certificate of occupancy has been issued. The parties will identify and agree on the infrastructure before the site plan is submitted to the Planning Board.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
1,000,000 funded through a general obligation bond.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project promotes workforce development and economic growth by assisting a private entity in removing a barrier to development (cost for infrastructure improvement). In creating the new infrastructure through a public private partnership we are able to collaborate with the development community as a means to foster growth and vibrancy while improving Dover's roadway network. Part of the collaboration allows Dover to include requirements for climate change and promoting positive environmental change through economic incentive, as opposed to forcing change upon the property owner.



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Title of Project: Public Infrastructure Investment to Assist with Pedestrian and Vehicular flow

Community or Organization Name: City of Dover

Contact Person & Title: Christopher Parker, Assistant City Manager

Phone: 603.516.6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): unknown

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The City has completed a Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicular Access improvement plan. This Plan Includes recommendations for infrastructure and complete street improvements or reconfigurations to improve pedestrian safety, walkability, bicycle infrastructure, and downtown aesthetics.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The City will follow our plan to design and implement streetscape and road way improvements such as lane diets (on Chestnut Street), updating street trees, creating landscaping where it does not exist, narrowing down roadway crossings for pedestrians, through bump outs, create a gathering place at the upper square (Central Avenue between Chapel and Broadway), and adding roundabouts at Main Street and Portland Avenue and Chestnut Street and Third Street.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
12,000,000 funded through a general obligation bond.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The City addresses the themes in creating a more accessible downtown core. The work, once completed is targeted at reducing barriers for those with mobility issues, creating a more equitable travel way for non-motorized travelers, and will provided enhanced access between transportation centers (bus, train and automobile) and housing and employment. The improvements will include converting streets which are one way to two way, discouraging traffic intent on bypassing downtown, and focus those visitors to Dover's downtown into a safe and efficient traffic pattern.



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Title of Project: Community Trail connection and expansion to Knox Marsh Rd

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Donna Benton

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: d.benton@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Create trail and bridge (river crossing) to connect the existing Community Trail through the Dover Middle and High Schools and Bellamy Park, and providing an alternative transportation option connecting Route 155 to Route 108 near the schools and multi-family housing.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Create trail and bridge (river crossing) to connect with Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Round 2 Community Trail (Phase IV) project bringing the trail closer to the Dover Middle and High Schools, Bellamy Park, and providing an alternative transportation option connecting Route 155 to Route 108 near the schools and multi-family housing. The trail would require a bridge over the Bellamy River. This route was found to be the preference during the Feasibility Study of Phase IV of the Trail (currently ongoing). Phase IV-B would be the path from the parking lot on Bellamy Road and a bridge over the Bellamy River to be closer to the school facilities, shorten the path distance, provide a more comprehensive trailhead, and avoid the existing Disc Golf Course altogether.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$800,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Dover's Community trail provides diverse connections throughout the city. This project fills a vital gap in the existing Dover Community Trail projects and safe routes to school facilities. It also provides a standalone new facility that currently does not exist and is part of a larger phased plan in Dover and in neighboring communities.

This project links school facilities (fields, high school, middle school) to the existing Community Trail, Bellamy Park, and multi-family housing. It also links Route 155 and Route 108.

This would be a middle phase of the Community Trail. Currently the existing Trail runs from Watson Road to Fourth Street to sidewalks to the Transportation Center to Route 108. Then to sidewalks on Route 108 to Bellamy or Daley Drive (near Middle and High Schools). Phase IV of the trail (TAP Round 2) would connect Bellamy Park to Route 155. This proposal would allow a connection to Bellamy Road by building a bridge and formal pathway on city-owned property via a route found during the Feasibility Study of the Round 2 TAP funding right near the school facilities and recreational destination Bellamy Park.



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Title of Project: Central Avenue Reconstruction

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Reconstruction of Central Avenue approaching downtown. Complete streets approach will blend necessary road and stormwater improvements with added amenities for pedestrians and cyclists. Signalization improvements will benefit transit and emergency services.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Complete street reconstruction of a high-traffic volume downtown gateway between Stark Avenue and Silver Street to tie into construction previously completed on Silver Street. Following “Complete Street” policy guidelines, the project addresses road surface and stormwater drainage issues, adds bicycle and pedestrian amenities, improves intersections with lighting, and adds intelligent traffic signalization with public transit/emergency vehicle preemption.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$3,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project addresses infrastructure improvements to both the transportation network and stormwater drainage. The “Complete Street” policy framework balances the need for efficient vehicular transportation with other modes such as bicycle and pedestrian amenities. Signal preemption for public transit further supports mobility and accessibility for residents without personal vehicles by improving the timeliness of transit service. Support of these alternative modes is important for community vibrancy and for supporting residents of all ages and abilities. Intersection lighting and intelligent traffic signalization improves the resiliency of the transportation system, and emergency vehicle signal preemption will improve emergency services response times.



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Title of Project: Whittier Street Sidewalk

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Installation of new sidewalks to connect existing residential neighborhoods along Whittier Street to the larger pedestrian network, especially retail locations, including groceries, that are currently separated by busy roads.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Install a new sidewalk along the existing roadway providing a needed pedestrian connection between adjoining residential neighborhoods, including Dover Housing Authority and grocery and other retail shopping locations in Dover's north end. Currently, there is no direct link nor a sidewalk for pedestrians to travel along this busy section of roadway. This project has been delayed and repeatedly pushed back in time due to a lack of local funding.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$650,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project would provide a vital pedestrian connection between existing residential development and necessary services such as groceries and other retail locations. Neighborhoods served include Dover Housing Authority properties, making pedestrian connections especially important for residents who do not own cars.



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Title of Project: Downtown Waterfront Shoreline Stabilization/Riverwalk

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Stabilize existing river-front property, including improvements to increase resiliency to tidal variation, sea-level rise, and stormwater management. Leverage these improvements for installation of public walkways.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Stabilize the entire site along the edge of Cochecho River from Washington Street southward along the river's edge. Extend a public river walkway across undeveloped city-owned downtown property connecting with trail system on conservation land located downstream. Features to include a living shoreline and best management practices (BMP's) for stormwater management and anticipation of sea-level rise. This project will facilitate public access to the river and long-envisioned development plans for the underutilized city parcel.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$700,000 - \$3,500,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Site stabilization will improve environmental sustainability of the site by lessening runoff and sedimentation. A pedestrian walkway will activate the space and provide access to nature and active transportation infrastructure and will improve natural resiliency by creating a natural buffer between the river and other development.



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Title of Project: Chestnut Street Bridge Repair

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Replace the deck on a downtown multi-lane vehicular/pedestrian bridge that provides a critical crossing across the Cochecho River and access to a nearby multimodal transportation center.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Replace the deck on a downtown multi-lane vehicular/pedestrian bridge that provides a critical crossing across the Cochecho River and access to a nearby multimodal transportation center.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$800,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This bridge provides essential access to the Dover Transportation Center, which is used by both the COAST bus system and AMTRAK. This bridge provides an important link for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and diverts vehicular traffic away from Central Avenue, which is an adjacent corridor at the heart of downtown.



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Title of Project: Henry Law Avenue and River Street Reconstruction

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Road reconstructions using “Complete Streets” policy principles and associated utility improvements.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Reconstruct a downtown section of Henry Law Avenue adjacent to Children’s Museum of New Hampshire and Henry Law Park and continuing along River Street into an undeveloped city-owned waterfront parcel. Reconstruction will follow “Complete Streets” policy guidelines to include pedestrian and bicycle amenities, streetscape improvements and placement of underground utilities in the park area.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$900,000 - \$2,400,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The “Complete Street” policy framework balances the need for efficient vehicular transportation with other modes such as bicycle and pedestrian amenities. Support of these alternative modes is important for community vibrancy and for supporting residents of all ages and abilities. This project will also allow for upgrades of utility infrastructure, which will support recent and proposed mixed-use investments in the immediate vicinity.



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Title of Project: Neighborhood Street Reconstruction

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Reconstruct Grove, Fifth, Trakey and Richmond streets in the downtown area following “Complete Streets” policy guidelines to include pedestrian and bicycle amenities, lighting, stormwater BMP’s, streetscape and underlying utility replacement.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Reconstruct Grove, Fifth, Trakey and Richmond streets in the downtown area following “Complete Streets” policy guidelines to include pedestrian and bicycle amenities, lighting, stormwater BMP’s, streetscape and underlying utility replacement.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$1,100,000 - \$2,400,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The “Complete Street” policy framework balances the need for efficient vehicular transportation with other modes such as bicycle and pedestrian amenities. Support of these alternative modes is important for community vibrancy and for supporting residents of all ages and abilities. Upgrades to stormwater BMPs and utility placement will also improve system resiliency.



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Title of Project: Public Safety Fire/Police Training Structure

Community or Organization Name: Dover

Contact Person & Title: Chris Parker

Phone: 603-516-6008

E-mail Address: c.parker@dover.nh.gov

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Construct and install a training structure with modular features for Dover and other area fire and police personnel to simulate various emergency response scenarios.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Construct and install a training structure with modular features for Dover and other area fire and police personnel to simulate various emergency response scenarios.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$600,000 - \$1,500,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Training facility will improve emergency preparedness of first responders in Dover and other area municipalities.



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Title of Project: Madbury Rd Improvements

Community or Organization Name: Durham

Contact Person & Title: Richard Reine

Phone: (603) 868-5578

E-mail Address: rreine@ci.durham.nh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Project Purpose is to improve bike and pedestrian accommodations and safety for the length of Madbury Road, a main arterial into Durham that is used by pedestrians, runners, cyclists, motorists and transit users. Transportation infrastructure will be paired with simultaneous utilities upgrades.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The improvements that are proposed to be funded under this TAP grant include new sidewalks where none exist today, rehabilitation and reconstruction of existing sidewalks, installation of ADA compliant pedestrian ramps throughout, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) at critical crosswalks, expanded coverage for pedestrian scale street lighting, enhanced transit stops, traffic calming measures and improved accommodations for cyclists (either wider shoulders or bike lanes, depending on the available width and constraints). The bike and pedestrian improvements described above will be the TAP funded components of a much larger investment by the Town of Durham to rehabilitate municipal underground utilities (water, sewer, and drainage) and roadway infrastructure.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$2,885,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

There are currently approximately 4,500 feet of gaps in the existing sidewalk system along Madbury Road. It is not uncommon to see pedestrians and runners using the edge of the roadway in these areas. This project proposes to fill in existing sidewalk gaps, especially in the more densely populated segments. This by its very nature will improve pedestrian safety. It is well known that Madbury Road is a primary route into downtown Durham and the UNH campus from US Route 4 and points east, west and north. The NHDOT statewide bike route maps identify Madbury Road as a preferred bike route that extends north into Madbury and beyond. The TAP funded improvements will strengthen that connection.

Locally on Madbury Road there are numerous private and student related residences as well as the Durham Public Library, offices and commercial establishments in the downtown area, and notably the Oyster River Middle School is only a block away on Garrison Avenue. All of these origins and destinations would benefit from the enhanced multi-modal facilities.



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Title of Project: Fire Station Renovation and Overflow

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Project Purpose is to improve the capacity of the Durham Fire Department facilities, including requirements for physical distancing under COVID-19 and facilities that will support more efficient workflow.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Durham Fire Department station is located in an aged shared UNH facility which was constructed as a public works garage and re-fit into a fire station in the 1980's. The department has outgrown the facility and has been seeking alternatives to expand the administrative office space. Existing offices do not meet COVID-19 working space and separation requirements and staff workstations are cramped and inefficient. Additional space within the UNH General Services Building contiguous to the existing fire department offices has become available and the department has the opportunity to acquire approximately 1,000 square feet of space.

This proposed project scope will renovate existing 1980's UNH offices into much needed professional work space for the fire department administrative staff to provide an additional four offices, work-study student space, and conference room. This space will enable the department to expand reorganize space for administrative staff, the fire prevention bureau, and firefighter/EMTs a more productive, safer working environment to better serve the Town and Campus. The project includes demolition and light construction within the existing building envelope with the replacement of exterior building windows.

The engineered drawings and specifications for this project have been prepared and are ready for submission to the NH Fire Marshal's Office for State permitting. Construction may begin as early as two weeks from permitting with UNH contractors that have been pre-qualified to perform the work. The estimated construction period is estimated to be 45 days from start. Fire department - fire station facility improvements.

The fire station requires health and safety improvements to align the department with current best management practices for cleaning, disinfecting, and maintaining equipment free of carcinogens, blood born pathogens, and other harmful materials that firefighters are routinely exposed to.

The Durham Fire department is located in an aged facility that was constructed as a public works garage and re-fit into a fire station in the 1980's. The facility is inadequate and does not provide modern protection or equipment to the men and women of the fire department who staff the station to provide fire, rescue, EMS, inspections, and public education to the community of Durham and University of New Hampshire.

The scope of this project includes constructing and equipping a modern decontamination area in the existing fire station with a wash-down area, shower, restroom, and protective ensemble and personal protective equipment (PPE) decontamination equipment, and refinishing station floors throughout the apparatus bays and supporting areas by sealing the ancient concrete floors with an epoxy finish so that they may be cleaned, disinfected, and maintained.

Engineered drawings have been prepared for the fire station improvements making the project shovel-ready pending funding.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$520,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Overall facility improvements are important for improving Town resiliency, as the proposed station will improve working conditions, efficiency, productivity, and communications of fire and EMT services. These are also important due to changing Town operations under COVID 19, and acquisition of additional space in the UNH General Services building is intended to be an immediate solution to the need for additional physical distancing.



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Title of Project: Critical Facilities Backup Generators

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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E-mail Address: tselig@ci.durham.nh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This CEDS project combines multiple generator purchases or upgrades, including the Durham Police Department, UNH/Durham water supply at the Lee Well, Durham Public Works Department, and Durham water supply at the Spruce Hole Well.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

2022 Update: This project was fully funded through congressionally-directed spending. Durham anticipates receiving the project funds and completing procurement in 2022.

Lee Well Generator – This project will provide emergency back up power to the Lee Well, which serves as a primary water drinking supply for the Town of Durham which also serves customers in the Town of Lee and UNH. The pumping station houses all of the Town’s chemical treatment, instrumentation, pumps and motors for the Lee Well and currently has an antiquated emergency backup power system requiring manual start and 100% continuous operator presence during any power failure. The proposed new system would include an auto start and auto transfer switch during any power loss which is now standard practice in the water profession.

Spruce Hole Emergency Generator – This project will provide emergency power to the Spruce Hole Well, which serves as a primary drinking water supply for the Town of Durham and the University of New Hampshire. The pumping station houses all of the Town’s chemical treatment instrumentation, pumps and motors for the Spruce Hole well and currently has no emergency back up power. The proposed new system would include an auto start and auto transfer switch during any power loss which is now standard practice in the water profession making the Spruce Hole site reliable and dependable during any power outage allowing the continued provision of both potable water and fire protection.

Police Station and Public Works Emergency Generators – During emergency events both the Police and Public Works facilities operate as emergency operations and logistics planning facilities housing personnel and equipment involved in emergency responses. Each facility currently has an antiquated emergency generator system which is undersized and powers approximately 20% of each building. The replacement of both generators will allow for full facility backup powering lighting, heat, equipment, fuel, security, IT and life safety systems. This is critical in providing reliable emergency response to the community and our mutual aid partners.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

- Total \$580,000
 - Durham Police Department - \$210,000
 - Lee Well - \$90,000
 - Durham Public Works Department - \$190,000
 - Spruce Hole Well - \$90,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |

- Economic Growth
- Equity and Environmental Justice

- Resiliency
- Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Generator projects would make Town facilities more resilient to power disruptions. Durham's 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan identified disruption of power service due to wind storms and downed trees as a recurring threat, so backup power is important to ensuring that critical infrastructure can continue to operate in severe weather.



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Title of Project: 66 Main Street Structured Parking

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Town of Durham and University of New Hampshire are collaborating with a private developer to redevelop the Durham-owned vacant property for public parking to serve downtown Durham.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Durham has engaged painstaking analysis concerning the need for additional public parking in the downtown area to support existing and desired future economic development activity and has been working collaboratively with the University of New Hampshire toward the redevelopment of the 1.8 acre vacant lot at 66 Main Street. A private development partner has been selected but unfortunately, the Covid-19 pandemic delayed the project in early 2020. All project partners remain interested.

There are various iterations of public-public-private redevelopment potential here, depending upon resources available.

2022 Update: The Town of Durham has acquired the property from UNH. Prior iterations of this project anticipated surface parking at this site pending more detailed redevelopment plans; Durham is now moving forward with a plan for structured parking at this location. Current designs anticipate 200 parking spaces at a cost of approximately \$35,000 per space for a project total of \$7 million

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$7,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project would support the flow of people to downtown and drive economic activity for downtown businesses. Additional parking in this centrally-located parcel will support redevelopment at 66 Main Street and would have the capacity to support additional downtown projects in the future.



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Title of Project: Mixing System at Beech Hill Tank

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Installation of a mixing system at the Beech Hill Tank to improve water quality and tank turnover.
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Beech Hill Tank Mixing System – the Beech Hill Tank is a water storage tank or stand pipe storing with the capacity to store 600,000 gallons of water providing supply and pressure head for the high pressure water system. A water age study was recently completed which indicates less than optimum tank turnover and water age in the Beech Hill tank which has the potential to impact water quality. The tank mixing system would provide mixing of the water within the tank to eliminate stratification and improve water quality for the Durham, University of New Hampshire and Lee customers. A mixing system within a water tank is common practice to improve water quality and tank turnover.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$275,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This is an important investment to drinking water infrastructure to improve the quality of the public drinking water supply.



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Title of Project: Southern Strafford County Communications System

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Hardware and software upgrades to improve communications system

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This proposal combines hardware, software and services to meet the requirements of building and supporting the Town of Durham and Southern Strafford County new communications system. Specifically, this solution is for a multi-site, 4-channel VHF P25 Simulcast System, Microwave Connectivity, and APX Series Mobile and Portable radios.

First responders in the cities and towns throughout Strafford County need to be confident that they can communicate and be heard in the moments that matter most. Motorola understands that Strafford County is determined to build a communications system that their users can trust, and we firmly believe our Solution will accomplish that.

2022 Update: This project was awarded \$900,000 through congressionally-directed spending. Durham anticipates that the award funds and procurement of equipment and software will occur in 2022. Additional funds may be needed for total completion of the project.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

\$2,500,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Infrastructure

Age Friendliness

Mobility and Accessibility

Workforce/Education

Community Vibrancy

Childcare

Changing Business Operations

Economic Growth

Resiliency

Equity and Environmental Justice

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Upgrade to communications network for first responders, improving resiliency and emergency preparedness.



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Title of Project: Wastewater Treatment Plant Odor Control System

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Town of Durham Wastewater Treatment Plant Odor Control System

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Wastewater Treatment Plant Odor Control System - The Town of Durham wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) is located to the east of the downtown and University of New Hampshire areas on Route 4/Piscataqua Road along the Oyster River. The original WWTF was a primary treatment facility constructed in the 1960s. The facility was upgraded in 1977 to provide secondary treatment with expanded primary treatment facilities, new aeration facilities, secondary clarifiers, and disinfection facilities. Additionally, new solids handling facilities were provided to store, dewater, and compost residual solids. Since then, there have been numerous upgrades and improvements to all systems within the facility. The facility is designed to treat an average daily flow of 2.5-million gallons per day (MGD) and a peak hour flow of 7.40-MGD. Odors associated with the sludge handling process and headworks has been a frequent issue impacting residential, institutional and commercial properties in the areas. This odor control project will design and construct an air handling and treatment system using activated carbon to mitigate odor issue while improving worker safety and issues related to corrosivity within the facility.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$750,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This is an infrastructure investment that would mitigate negative impacts of Durham's wastewater treatment plant on the community, thereby improving living conditions in town.



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Title of Project: Bickford-Chesley House Preservation

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Bickford-Chesley House Preservation at Durham's Wagon Hill Farm

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

In October 2019 Aaron Sturgis and Jessica MilNeil from Preservation Timber Framing Inc. located in Berwick, Maine performed an existing conditions assessment of the Bickford-Chesley House located at Wagon Hill Farm. This assessment followed a field study which is incorporated as an addendum to the 1995 Master Plan. This 2-story farmhouse was constructed in circa 1806 and has deteriorated over the years due to deferred maintenance and is now in need of major improvements. These improvements include, among other items, replacement of major framing due to rot caused by moisture infiltration, site grading and drainage modifications, masonry, interior and exterior restoration, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP), interior, architectural, roofing, trim and HVAC retrofits and replacement. The Sturgis report provides an estimate, exclusive of any contingency, architectural or engineering design or specification services, of \$437,475 (2019). Durham has funded engineering for 2021 with construction scheduled for 2022. If approved with Covid-stimulus dollars, Durham could potentially reprioritize and allocate a match to move up project timetable if necessary.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$437,475

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Bickford-Chesley House, constructed in 1806, is an important part of Durham's cultural heritage and this project seeks to preserve it for future generations.



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Title of Project: Durham Old Town Hall Preservation

Community or Organization Name: Durham

Contact Person & Title: Todd Selig

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Durham Old Town Hall Preservation

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

In November 2019 Aaron Sturgis and Jessica MilNeil from Preservation Timber Framing Inc. located in Berwick, Maine performed an existing conditions assessment of Durham Old Town Hall located at the corner of Main Street and State Route 108. The Old Town Hall was constructed in 1825 by local merchant and ship builder Joseph Coe and remains one of the most unique structures in New Hampshire with historical significance, having been entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980 as part of the Durham Historic District. Unfortunately, due to continued deferred maintenance the structure has deteriorated extensively now requiring substantial improvements.

The Sturgis report provides a high level assessment with repair recommendations focused around basement drainage and minimization of moisture and water infiltration, replacement and repair of the undercarriage structure due to rot, repair to framing, trim and fine woodwork, replacement of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC), masonry and brick repairs, roof and gutter repairs, window and painting. Not included within the report is an assessment of the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP) systems which likely would require some level of retrofit or replacement driving up overall project costs.

The Sturgis report provides an estimate, exclusive of any contingency, architectural or engineering design or specification services, of \$366,270 (2019). This estimate does not include any interior improvements, which are also necessary increasing project cost.

Funding has been allocated in 2021 by the Town to retain a historic preservation architect/engineer to develop specifications, bid documents, etc, for 2022 construction. If necessary to secure Covid stimulus finding, the Town could consider reprioritizing resources to commence project in 2021.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$366,270

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Old Town Hall, constructed in 1825, is an important part of Durham's cultural heritage and this project seeks to preserve it for future generations.



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Title of Project: Oyster River Dam

Community or Organization Name: Durham

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Durham Town Council chose to remove the dam rather than attempt to remediate the structure. They will proceed with engineering and designing the work to remove the dam and restore the river to a more natural condition.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Town's VHB engineering project team at VHB developed a set of five preliminary alternatives to address the known structural deficiencies of the Oyster River Dam. The review considered the 2018 NHDES Letter of Deficiency, but also incorporated new data and modeling generated during this feasibility study. Based on an initial analysis that considered cost, constructability, and compliance with regulatory requirements, two alternatives were determined to have merit and were therefore advanced for detailed study. A description of alternatives follows from the feasibility executive summary:

Alternative 5 – Dam Removal: This alternative would consist of a four-part plan that includes the removal of the existing dam structure, abutment preservation, channel shaping, and upstream channel restoration. The main dam spillway and the adjacent fish ladder would be entirely removed, but the left and right abutments would be left in place to help stabilize the riverbank and mitigate historic impacts. The channel would be reshaped to have a roughly 42-foot bankfull width, incorporating a 12-foot wide low-flow channel, to provide fish passage under low flow conditions. The active restoration of the Oyster River channel upstream of the dam removal site is also recommended. This would involve channel shaping approximately 600 feet upstream of the location of the dam to stabilize the channel and remove approximately 3,000 cubic yards of sediment deposited in the center of the Mill Pond impoundment. This would minimize potential sediment impacts downstream, as well as improve the stability and ecological integrity of the upstream area following dam removal.

2022 Update: The Town Council chose to remove the dam rather than attempt a costly remediation. A resident petition sought to overturn this decision, but the results of a referendum on the March 7, 2022 ballot denied the petition. Durham intends to proceed with design and engineering for removal of the dam.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$1,462,950

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Oyster River Dam and Mill Pond are an important part of Durham's natural and cultural heritage. Either alternative has implications for natural resiliency, public safety, and community development in Durham

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Title of Project: Sidewalk Network Expansion

Community or Organization Name: Farmington

Contact Person & Title: Ken Dickie, Interim TA/BOS Chair

Phone: 603-755-2208

E-mail Address: townadmin@farmington.nh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2022-2023 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project will expand the town's existing sidewalk network to link more residential areas to the downtown. Downtown revitalization is a primary goal for the town and pedestrian accessibility is a key part.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

New sidewalks in three separate sections that will expand the connected sidewalk network: appx 1500 ft along Elm St westbound between Main St and Lone Star Ave; appx 1500 feet along Main St southbound (NH153) between Paulson Rd and public safety building; and appx 910 feet along Main St northbound between Lincoln St and Webster St.

2022 Update: A portion of this project is listed in the draft Transportation Ten Year Transportation Plan which is currently in the adoption stages. Currently the project is scheduled for preliminary engineering in 2026, right of way acquisition in 2029, and construction in 2031. Assuming the Ten Year Transportation Plan is adopted as currently structured, 80% of project funds would be provided by NHDOT, but would require a 20% local match (currently valued at \$198,032).

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$ 990,160

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Farmington is in the process of revitalizing their downtown. Improved walkability and bikeability will be critical for economic development and creating a sense of place. The downtown is currently a barrier to students walking to local schools due to lack of safe, modern pedestrian crossings. The purpose of this project is to increase bicycle and pedestrian safety and improve the streetscape in the downtown.

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Title of Project: Re-Development of the Old Fire Department Lot

Community or Organization Name: Town of Farmington

Contact Person & Title: Ken Dickie, Interim TA/BOS Chair

Phone: 603-755-2208

E-mail Address: townadmin@farmington.nh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

In 2017, the Town completed its construction of a new public safety building to house the fire and police departments. As a result, the 1.3-acre town-owned property that houses the old fire station has been left unoccupied. Currently, the Town is exploring several options on the redevelopment of this property. Conceptual ideas include a mixed-use building with commercial and residential, as well as a community/recreation center have been discussed.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

To date, the Town has conducted an appraisal of the property and held a revitalization forum. The forum was facilitated by UNH Cooperative Extension, focused on the old fire station with an eye on housing choices. According to the Revitalization Forum Summary Report, citizens who participated in the community forum were clear on wanting a downtown and firehouse site that is beautiful, clean, historic, walkable, and friendly for everyone. They want to have a diversity of businesses and enhanced green space for interaction and gathering. They support the revitalization of the downtown and the redevelopment of the firehouse site. There needs to be more discussion on the specifics of the firehouse site, specifically regarding housing.

2022 Update: SRPC is currently in the process of conducting a Phase I ESA (through our environmental contractor Nobis) at this site under our EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. Nobis anticipates providing a draft Phase I report in April 2022. SRPC identified the fire station as a priority site for our next EPA Brownfields Assessment grant (currently pending review). If awarded, those funds would support further assessments (e.g. a Phase II ESA to investigate any RECs identified by the Phase I) and 'cleanup planning' activities which could include a market study, remedial action plan (if necessary), or basic design work to support an RFP and attract a developer.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Unknown. If SRPC is successful in obtaining a grant the proposed site investigations would be fully funded; these investigations could provide more costs certainty.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Several of the potential uses that have been discussed directly relate to themes identified in the EDD CEDS, including a mixed-use development that would provide both commercial and residential housing options, and a community/recreation center that would provide opportunities for all ages.

Landscaping, lighting, promoting local history, connecting walking paths with other amenities and uses, encouraging safety, and promoting a site that makes visitors feel welcome were all suggestions from citizens when discussing ideas for the redevelopment project.

This project is located at the gateway to Farmington's historic downtown, and it will be important that the Town proceed with caution to make every attempt to ensure this property is showcased as an important community asset.



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Title of Project: Pedestrian & Utilities Upgrades

Community or Organization Name: Town of Milton

Contact Person & Title: Bruce W Woodruff, Milton Town Planner

Phone: 603-767-3287

E-mail Address: banduvian@msn.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Construction jobs during project timespan

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project combines urgent utilities and pedestrian infrastructure that will improve local stormwater management and will expand the walkable network between schools and the town center. The Town is an MS4 community with stormwater infrastructure requirements, some of which will be met with this project.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Construct 2,770 linear feet of sidewalk to enhance pedestrian connectivity between the town center, school, and other community church. 1,320 feet of sidewalk on Dawson St; 1,450 feet of sidewalk on Silver St. Close heavily skewed part of northern triangle intersection of Dawson St and NH125. (scope elements and cost estimate are based on final plans & engineering report from Underwood Engineers Inc.) Construct curbing and subsurface stormwater drainage infrastructure. Construct parking spaces and eliminate unsafe skewed intersection.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$2.6M (sidewalks portion is \$685,000)

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The project will close the unsafe NH Rte. 125-Dawson St. intersection and construct ten new public parking spaces adjacent to the closed intersection. The new spaces are part of the Town's plan to increase parking in and around the village to help boost village vitality and encourage right-sized residential opportunities. New sidewalks will provide residents with an alternative method of reaching the village center, schools, and churches. They will improve connectivity to the village center for jobs and services, especially for those who cannot afford vehicles.

The new stormwater drainage system will replace surface roadway stormwater drainage down the steep slope which outfalls in the Salmon Falls River. This improvement will improve water quality and help mitigate environmental impacts from unfiltered, fast-moving stormwater containing road and vehicle chemicals and sedimentation reaching the river.



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Title of Project: Mending Fences and Developing Water Solutions

Community or Organization Name: New Hampshire Farm Museum, P. 644, Milton, NH 03851

Contact Person & Title: Jonathan B. Hotchkiss, President, NHFM Board of Trustees

Phone: 603-652-7840; 914-500-7757

E-mail Address: nhfarmmuseum.info@gmail.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The New Hampshire Farm Museum intends to replace antiquated, worn wooden fencing and develop water hydrants in each of its four pastures. This is a high priority project as the livestock need secure fencing. In addition, we hope to install underground pipes from our existing (one) hydrant to the other pastures to fill the watering troughs for the livestock. Currently, a volunteer must manually take connected hoses from one pasture to another. This project, if funded, would allow each pasture to have its own water supply.

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Fencing materials: wooden fence posts, wooden rails, 4 ft high woven wire fencing, 6 gates, electric wire fencing. Two pastures are 200 X 300 ft; two pastures are 200 X 275 ft. The museum will hire a contractor to dig holes and install the fence posts.

Expansion of water supply to each pasture: Dig trenches that are 4 ft deep to lay a ¾ inch water line that will remain frost free during our harsh New Hampshire winters. Total length of trenches is approximately 450 ft. Install four frost free hydrants (one in each pasture) to serve as a watering source for the livestock. Currently, a hose is taken from one pasture and manually carried to the other pastures to water the livestock.

Animal shelters: Build four new (three sided) animal shelters to serve as temporary shelters for livestock while in the pastures. Each shelter measures 10 ft. X 15 ft. X 7 ft high. Materials needed for each: Sixteen 1" X 10" X 10' wooden planks; eight 1" X 10" X 15' wooden planks. Roof: twelve 2" X 6" X 12' rafters; six ¾" X 4' X 8' sheets of plywood. Two squares of architectural shingles. Nails for sides and roof. Four plastic watering troughs. Estimated timeline: to be completed by September, 2022.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
Parts and labor for fencing, wiring, waterlines, troughs, and shelters: \$45,000.00

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

Housing

X Age Friendliness

X Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Equity and Environmental Justice

Infrastructure

X Mobility and Accessibility

X Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The mission of the New Hampshire Farm Museum is to preserve, understand, and carry forward New Hampshire's agricultural history. We are truly a "hands on" museum and a vibrant resource for school, community, visitors, and tourists. The "Mending Fences and Developing Water Solutions" proposal is separate from our budget. If selected as a grant recipient, the NHFM's historic Jones Farm and Plummer Homestead properties will be returned to its "postcard" appearance that it has held for over forty years on Plummer's Ridge in rural Milton, New Hampshire. Of utmost importance is maintaining the security of our livestock with well built, sturdy fences and water hydrants in each pasture. Our staff works closely with teachers and school personnel to tailor their curriculum to the ages of their school groups. Our programs encourage an interactive approach on a working farm with visitors of all ages. Visitors can feed the pigs, pet the goats, gather eggs, take a tractor ride, or perform chores that their colonial counterparts did over a century ago. We pride ourselves on being a Blue Star Museum, and work in collaboration with area homes for seniors such as Riverside Rest Home in Dover. We are ADA accessible.



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Title of Project: Boodey Farmstead- Cultural and Historical

Project Community or Organization Name: Town of New

Durham Contact Person & Title: Nicole Zoltko, Town

Administrator

Phone: (603) 859-2091 xt 2003 OR (603) 845-7494

E-mail Address: ndadmin@newdurhamnh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Construction Project: Historical Timber Contractor, Framing, Roofing, Engineering, Data Analysis

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The restoration, reconstruction and re-purposing of the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead will be a cornerstone connection to local businesses, and other surrounding historical and cultural entities, by encouraging growth in our communities' local economy. The Farmstead will yield a location, available to a variety of people, for social, educational, private and civic events and activities.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Boodey House, built by Zechariah Boodey in 1769, was the birthplace for the First Free Will Baptist Church, on June 30, 1780, under the leadership of Elder Benjamin Randal. The Town of New Durham has undertaken a substantial project to expand access to our historic and cultural heritage.

The Boodey Farmstead facilities are projected to meet space needs in New Durham for Town Voting, the home of a history museum, and event space. The facilities site plan has been designed to meet physical disabilities access codes, inside and outside. The facility does not require demolition, just construction and reconstruction. There is an approved parcel location with a well on site, site design has had approvals from all local land use boards, and septic design has state approval. The full plan package includes existing conditions, overall site plan, site layout, drainage controls, septic design, lighting, landscaping and sign placement. Construction details are included to ensure proper execution of the design for the site.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total Cost would need to be reevaluated due to the current market and building inflation costs however it's anticipated that approximately \$300,000 to include in-kind work. As of December 2021, the Boodey Farmstead Charitable Fund has approximately \$26,000. As this project does not qualify for a historic grant status; the Committee Charged with it's care manages fundraising through donations and is looking to become a 501 c(3) to further raise money through a Fundraising Campaign. The overseeing committee has attended and participated in 30 hours of training in the last year to prepare for a capital campaign and have donated 3,676 volunteer hours since 2018 and continue to volunteer even through the pandemic.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Age Friendliness

Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Equity and Environmental Justice

Infrastructure

Mobility and Accessibility

Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project focuses more on Economic Development creating community vibrancy through historic and cultural education opportunities, preserving original buildings and repurposing is supporting the importance and value of New Durham's historical and cultural heritage. The objective is to reconstruct the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead, while maintaining historic integrity of the buildings; to teach future generations about our collective past featuring New Durham's importance in that history; provide a useful asset for the community and region.

This project will ultimately have many uses such as a historical museum, meeting space, voting space, event space, and an arts center. This creates resiliency over difficult times, being able to hold many functions and uses and utilizing the space effectively. In addition, this project has brought many private donors who've volunteered resources and expertise to the project in addition to funding even during the pandemic crisis. This project has show resiliency and continues to show that through collaborative efforts the goals of this project can come to fruition.



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Title of Project: Meetinghouse Restoration- Cultural and Historical Project

Community or Organization Name: Town of New Durham

Contact Person & Title: Nicole Zoltko, Town Administrator

Phone: (603) 859-2091 xt 2003 OR (603) 845-7494

E-mail Address: ndadmin@newdurhamnh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Historical Timber
Contractor/Framer/ Roofing/ Engineering / Data Analysis

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

New Durham has one of the remaining pre-Revolutionary War Meetinghouses in NH and also contains the Town's first cemetery, a stone Town pound built in 1809. The building and the pound are on the National Register of Historic Places. The Meetinghouse is also a designated Seven to Save resource.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Town's Select Board formed the 1772 Meetinghouse Restoration Committee in 2006 to restore New Durham's most historic building physically and culturally. The Committee's goal has always been to restore the building for use as a fully functioning community /event center which brings cultural and Economic Resources to the region.

The restoration work has been divided into phases: Phase I, the frost-free foundation, is completed. The remaining phases include timber frame repair and roof replacement; interior work to bring the building up to code; and the addition of an out-building for kitchen and restroom facilities. **All** work is eligible for grants, either matching or outright.

Completion of each phase allows for greater and varied use by the Town and the community. And there is a demand for that use. The Program Summary of the Town Facilities Plan states: "The basic needs vary from facility to facility, but a common shortcoming is the need for storage space and meeting space."

Not only does the Meetinghouse have the space – it has the **original** space! In its use as a community center, it will continue to serve the needs of New Durham and the Region. Restoring an existing building is an affordable means of providing additional meeting and event space for New Durham and beyond.

In 2000, New Durham residents voted to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the restoration of the Meetinghouse; that fund has grown as well as a Fundraising Account that is maintained through charitable donations and fundraising opportunities.

New Durham is approximately \$60,000 short of being able to begin phase two of the project and continues to fundraise and add to the Capital Reserve Fund Annually.

A Copy of the Building Assessment can be found here: <https://www.newdurhamnh.us/meeting-house-restoration-committee/pages/historic-building-assessment>

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total Cost would need to be reevaluated due to the current market and building inflation costs however it's is anticipated that approximately \$80,000 will come from the CRF

\$60,000 from fundraised funds and a matching grant from LCHIP totaling \$280,000 for the project. Additional funding will be necessary to move on to additional phases of the project.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The 1772 New Durham Meetinghouse is one of only five remaining pre-Revolutionary War meetinghouses in the state and is the oldest remaining building of its type in New Durham. Framed and enclosed by 1770, with its first recorded use as being the site of a Town Meeting in 1772, it sits, uniquely, on the same intact six-acre lot that was set aside in the 1750 Town Charter. In 2010, slightly more than an acre of land was added to the parcel to protect the viewshed to the southeast adding to its resiliency. In 1980, the Meetinghouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places for architectural significance and associations with local government. In 2012, the building was designated as a New Hampshire Preservation Society's Seven to Save resource.

As a historic and cultural landmark, the Meetinghouse is not only a New Durham Treasure but a New Hampshire treasure as well, rich in history. This Historic Building and Parcel is currently being used for regional recreational events and partnerships with other communities including but not limited to Farmington. Visitors and residents are welcomed to participate in recreational and cultural events which include Snowshoe races, guided trail walks, seasonal reenactments, historic and cultural events, and more. Many of the events ask only for donations to further support the Meetinghouse or the Recreation Department driving sustainability for the future of New Durham and its residents.

This building is a place of shared experience. The town founders built it for the moments of humankind, and it was used as a place to govern, worship, celebrate, grieve, and gather. The Meetinghouse made New Durham an official town, and it instills a sense of history and place to current residents and the region, serving as a showpiece of the early settlers' determination and pride.



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Title of Project: Portland St Sidewalk extension

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Michael Bezanson

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: michael.bezanson@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project will fill a 6,400 foot gap in the existing sidewalk network in Rochester. The gap currently separates residential areas and the village of East Rochester from the main downtown, and is a barrier to students walking to local schools.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project proposes to construct 6,400 linear feet of new, ADA compliant, 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk in this gap between Chamberlain Street and Salmon Falls Road.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$900,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

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Portland Street is a heavily travelled residential road that connects Downtown Rochester and East Rochester. There are sidewalks existing on the southerly, Downtown portion, and sidewalks in the northerly, East Rochester portion but there are no sidewalks in the middle. Within the existing gap there are 230 homes, a number of which are low to moderate income housing developments such as the Pineview Mobile Home Park and the Bridlewood Condominiums, a property recently converted from apartments. In addition, the East Rochester School is only 0.4 miles to the north of the project area and the Chamberlain Street School is only 0.4 miles east of the project area. Thus, a number of children walk to and from school in this area that does not currently have sidewalks.



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Title of Project: Route 11 Safety and Capacity Improvements

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Increase traffic capacity and improve safety of Route 11
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

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3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$5,200,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Route 11 is a critical regional corridor. The Granite Ridge development in Rochester is a recipient of prior EDA infrastructure grants, and the continued growth and success of the project have outgrown existing transportation infrastructure in the vicinity.



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Title of Project: Union Street Parking lot

Community or Organization Name: City of Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Shanna B. Saunders

Phone: 603- 335-1338

E-mail Address: Shanna.saunders@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This is a centrally located parking lot in the downtown area with free parking. Overall, the site lacks stormwater management and green infrastructure practices. Stormwater runoff from the lot drains to catch basins that discharge directly to the Cocheco River. The City believes this lot can be more efficiently designed to maximize parking spaces while also providing outdoor space for adjacent business.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Main concerns identified were safe access for pedestrians; limited opportunities for alternative transportation, limited opportunities for businesses to use the parking lot and public spaces for outdoor seating and displays, and a lack of stormwater infrastructure and green practices.

Key ideas that informed the final design options and responded to community concerns included:

- Providing bicyclists and pedestrians with safe and easily navigable circulation routes to and from the parking lot, connecting the downtown with the rest of Rochester and providing for alternative modes of transportation.
- Creating multipurpose public spaces for that adjacent businesses could utilize for different programs and events.
- Providing green infrastructure by adding pervious surfacing and stormwater planters that will store and filter water

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project brings together the themes of well-designed and updated infrastructure, that is built to provide environmental resiliency, as well as transportation themes such as mobility and access to downtown businesses, that all adds to the community vibrancy of our community's Downtown. Because this is the most centralized and visible parking lot downtown, the update will reverberate through the Downtown's community character and aesthetic values while still creating an opportunity to support community businesses and clean up the local river.



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Title of Project: Route 11 Safety and Capacity Improvements

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Increase traffic capacity and improve safety of Route 11
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

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3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$5,200,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
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Title of Project: Round Pond Reservoir Capacity

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Increase drinking water supply by raising Round Pond Reservoir

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

We need to raise the level of one of our reservoirs, Round Pond. If we do not, within 10 years we will not have adequate drinking water for our growing population. Raising the level of this reservoir will require the construction of two dams. This is a costly project of about \$6M overall, but there are again key components. A great fit for funding would be the design and permitting aspect.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$6,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project is essential to improving the resiliency of the City's drinking water supply and meeting increased demand from a growing population.



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Title of Project: Wastewater Phosphorus Upgrades

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Wastewater plan upgrades to meet EPA discharge permit limit for phosphorus
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

We have negotiated with EPA an AOC for our nitrogen discharges from the plant. However, regulators have indicated an individual permit may come our way for phosphorus citing the ecological health of the Cocheco River. Overall, the cost of these upgrades are about \$15M. However, there are key components that stand alone and the new facilities may be able to be constructed over time, meaning this could be addressed as multiple projects.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$15,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project is essential to reducing the environmental impact of Rochester's wastewater plan and improving overall water quality of the Cocheco River.



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Title of Project: Re-line drinking water pipeline

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Re-line main drinking water transmission pipeline

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This is a 10,000 foot long old cast iron 24" water main that delivers drinking water from our plant cross country to our City. Its vintage is 1890. Rather than replace the line, there is technology which is more cost effective whereby the interior of the pipe can be lined. This lining provides the structural benefits of new pipe and there is no environmental impact. This project is needed but is too costly for our CIP budget to absorb, given all of the other drinking water priorities we have. Short of funding relief, I am not sure when this work could be done. If the line were to fail, much of the City would be without drinking water until repairs could be effected.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$2,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Would reinforce a critical drinking water main that was installed circa 1890, mitigating potentially serious consequences if the water main were to fail due to its age.



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Title of Project: Rebuild Portland Street Bridge

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Rebuild Portland Street bridge

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This is probably about \$1M-\$2M total. Portland St. is the chief connector for multi-modal transportation between East Rochester and Downtown. It is almost a DOT red listed bridge, built in 1931.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$1,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

East Rochester is one of two satellite villages in Rochester, and Portland street is the principle connector between these residents and downtown. Disruptions to this bridge would impact accessibility and mobility as well as community vibrancy for East Rochester residents who would face additional barriers to using community amenities elsewhere in the city.



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Title of Project: Lead Service Line Replacements

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Lead service line replacements for municipal drinking water customers

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project is necessary in response to revised rules from EPA regarding lead and copper service lines. Most communities do not know what financial effect this will have as most do not have an accurate inventory of their lead service lines to their customers. Much of the housing in the northeast is vintage, and lead was a common material in water lines years ago. The revision requires us to establish a list of known lead service lines in 3 years and replace a certain portion each year.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Unknown

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project is important for addressing lead exposure in residents, particularly children, but the uncertainty about the number and location of lead drinking lines makes it particularly difficult for the City to accurately plan and budget for.



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Title of Project: North Main Street/Chestnut Hill Road Connector

Community or Organization Name: Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Peter Nourse

Phone: 603-332-4096

E-mail Address: peter.nourse@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Construct a new bridge and connector road to handle vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic over the Cocheco River.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project would alleviate through traffic in the downtown area, supporting other efforts to improve safety and walkability and improving the quality of life. Expected to provide additional connection across the river to support growing commercial development along route 11. This project has been around conceptually for well over a decade (a 2007 CLD study was prepared and can be found on the Planning Department's webpage in their Plan Library under Transportation Topics). The project was most recently mentioned in the 2020 Transportation Master Plan Chapter as a priority connector road for congestion mitigation. The City has steadily over the years acquired property to facilitate the construction of this project. And, DPW has requested funds in the FY22 budget for conceptual design of this project

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
Unknown pending conceptual design

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project would improve the resiliency of the transportation network by providing another outlet for congestion mitigation and a way for vehicles to bypass downtown, thereby improving safety and vibrancy of the downtown for pedestrians and cyclists.

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Title of Project: The Center for Hope and Wellness Center at Hope on Haven Hill

Community or Organization Name: Hope on Haven Hill

Contact Person & Title: Kerry Norton-Executive Director

Phone: 603-841-5353

E-mail Address: Knorton@hopeonhavenhill.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Hope on Haven Hill provides pregnant and parenting women in Strafford County treatment and recovery support for substance use disorders. We currently provide high intensity residential treatment, recovery housing, intensive outpatient programming and outpatient services. We serve approximately 300 women and their children and babies a year.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

We are currently at the end of our Capital Campaign to raise 3.2 million dollars to build a new outpatient center that will house all our outpatient services, administrative offices, life skill services and childcare for clients. This campaign has also enabled us to purchase the adjacent duplex which we plan to use for affordable housing for our clients. We plan to purchase other rental properties as the opportunities arise. We were awarded \$500,000 in NH CDFA tax credits. We have successfully sold all but \$42,000 of NH CDFA Tax credits. The building is currently undergoing lead and asbestos abatement and will be demolished later this month. Our builder/developer, Chinburg Builders, will begin construction in late April. We expect to open in early 2023.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources? 3.2 million. Funding sources are private donors, foundations, grants and NH CDFA tax credits.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The expansion will allow us to increase our capacity of providing treatment, housing, education, workforce development support and childcare all in a new state of the art building for an underserved population.

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Title of Project: Innovation Drive Extension

Community or Organization Name: City of Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Michael Scala, Director of Economic Development

Phone: 603 335 7522

E-mail Address: Michael.scala@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): 225+

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The City of Rochester is interested in constructing an extension of Innovation Drive in the Granite State Business Park (GSBP) to provide frontage and access for the adjacent 50-acre lot, a future sewer pump station, and would also provide a connection to an adjacent lot that has been targeted for acquisition to expand the GSBP to the north.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The \$2.5MM would be utilized to address the significant elevation change between the current Innovation Drive and the proposed road site. As well as at least one water crossing and several wetland setbacks, but the City feels that the building this as a city street would provide for multiple sites for lot development and the associated benefits associated with that economic growth.

The scope would create a “city street” with access to 91 Innovation and the adjacent lot at 1035 Salmon Falls Road. The City would also have access to the site for a new sewer pump station scheduled to go online in 2024. This station will service all the businesses within the park and have capacity enough to handle any additional businesses that decide to develop with the GSBP.

Water and sewer infrastructure will be extended from Innovation drive along the street to service 91 Innovation and any future development.

As a city street, this road will include the required lighting and sidewalks per our ordinances.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

EDA – American Rescue Plan Act – Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (ARPA-EAA-C)

\$2,000,000

City of Rochester

\$500,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Age Friendliness

Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Equity and Environmental Justice

Infrastructure

Mobility and Accessibility

Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The City has a signed P&S from a business interested in purchasing the lot at 91 Innovation Drive and building 275,000 sf. of new warehouse space. They estimate the creation of at least 225 new jobs and an investment of close to \$41MM.

This project will also provide access to the new scheduled sewer pump station as well as future developable lots associated with 1035 Salmon Falls road.

The project will also include the extension of water and sewer service from Innovation Drive to 91 Innovation as well as any future build sites along the street.

This project will adhere to several themes outlined in the SRPC's CEDS document that include both the promotion of economic growth and improvements to the water/sewer infrastructure.

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Title of Project: Innovation Drive Sewer Pump Station

Community or Organization Name: City of Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Michael Bezanson, City Engineer

Phone: 603 332 4096

E-mail Address: michael.bezanson@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): 225+

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The City of Rochester is interested in constructing a sewer pump station on the Innovation Drive Extension in Granite State Business Park (GSBP) to provide public sewer service to the adjacent 50-acre lot, and to an adjacent lot that has been targeted for acquisition to expand GSBP to the north.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The \$2.75M project includes the construction of a new sewer pump station and associated piping to connect to existing collection system pipes and sanitary manholes, as well as the existing discharge force main. This pump station would provide public sewer access to the undeveloped parcels at 91 Innovation Drive and 1035 Salmon Falls Road. This new pump station would eliminate the need for two existing sewer pump stations located within the GSBP and would serve the entire GSBP, as well as other parcels near the Skyhaven Airport along Rochester Hill Road. This sewer pump station would provide public sewer service for lot development in and around the GSBP and the associated benefits that come with that economic growth.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total estimated project cost: \$2,750,000

Potential funding sources:

EDA – American Rescue Plan Act – Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (ARPA-EAA-C)

City of Rochester – RSA 162-K TIF Funds

City of Rochester – Sewer Enterprise Funds

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Age Friendliness

Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Infrastructure

Mobility and Accessibility

Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Equity and Environmental Justice

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

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This project will also provide public sewer access to the lot at 91 Innovation Drive, as well as future developable lots associated with 1035 Salmon Falls Road.

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Title of Project: Industrial Park Truck Route Analysis

Community or Organization Name: City of Rochester

Contact Person & Title: Shanna Saunders

Phone: (603) 335-1338

E-mail Address: Shanna.Saunders@rochesternh.net

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): NA (indirect 250 +)

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Conduct a study analysis of existing truck routes throughout the City of current use and future impacts. Freight access from the Spaulding Turnpike (NH 16) to concentrated commercial and industrial sites to develop freight optimization projects.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Connecting Route 16 to Rochester Industrial Park

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$20,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

See Executive Summary



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Title of Project: NH SBDC Inclusivity Project

Community or Organization Name: NH Small Business Development Center

Contact Person & Title: Liz Gray: State Director

Phone: Cell: 603-731-9701

E-mail Address: liz.gray@unh.edu

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time, but SBDC tracks client metrics , including job retention and creation, very closely and will be doing so through the life of the project.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The NH SBDC seeks a collaborative partner to help us launch our new Inclusivity Project. The goals of the project are to provide more minority entrepreneurs and small business owners across NH confidential business advising, education and resources to help them start or grow their business.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Although the NH SBDC Inclusivity Project is a statewide effort, we look forward to working more closely with the SRPC and local economic development partners to support minority entrepreneurs and minority owned businesses.

Outreach & Marketing: We plan to market SBDC's business advising and educational opportunities, in several ways and via various methods:

- We will create a minority outreach webpage on our website with links to content, resources and partners.
- Create client-focused stories featuring SBDC clients and partners who are minorities telling their story of working with the SBDC.
- Targeted online marketing via NH SBDC's social media channels – Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Instagram.

Programming: In addition to the above-mentioned outreach and marketing efforts, the NH SBDC also plans to develop new/additional material and content tailored for this target market, based on funding.

- Survey/measurement: To efficiently reach and assist NH's minority entrepreneurial population, we must first identify and understand its characteristics – where are the individuals located, what language do they speak, etc. Next, we must determine the needs of the population – what kinds of businesses do they own or want to start, what challenges are they trying to overcome, what needs do they and their businesses have, how have they been impacted by COVID-19? In short, how can we reach them, and how can we best assist them.
- We will develop "Intro to SBDC" videos to provide basic information about the SBDC: who we are, what we do, and how individuals can contact us. Based on research and data about NH's minority entrepreneurial population, these will be translated into the 3-5 most spoken languages in NH.
- We will provide Diversity, Equity & Inclusion training for SBDC staff to help them better understand the perceived and real challenges minority clients face.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

SBDC is seeking funding for this project from several sources. We have applications into private bank foundations and plan to use SBA CARES Act funds until they expire/are expended on 9/30/21. We are also considering applying for additional SBA Navigator program funds as well.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

While not as sizable as in other States, NH's minority population, as a percentage of total population, has been steadily increasing for decades. Of the estimated 1,359,711 individuals residing in the state in 2019 (U.S. Census Bureau), approximately 10.9% identified as African American, American Indian and Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander, Latino, or two or more race. Again, while still lower than many other states, this same measure in 2010 was 8.9% of the population, and 5.6% in 2000 – with the largest decade over decade growth from 2000 to 2010 amongst Hispanic/Latino (79%) and Asian (78%) populations. During this same 20-year period, the percentage of NH SBDC clients that identified as one of these same minority groups has also increased but has not kept pace with the rest of NH.

While population counts continue to steadily rise for minority populations, small business owners of color continue to face challenges, which have only been aggravated by the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. A recent Forbes.com study finds that nearly 1 in 4 entrepreneurs of color may lay off employees permanently in the next few months, compared to only 14% of white business owners. Factor into account percent minority growth, and SBDC's client demographic trends, and NH's minority small business owners need technical assistance and educational programs offered by programs like the SBDC more than ever. To reach a larger minority population, SBDC needs to develop a minority outreach program, which begins with strengthening and leveraging trusted partners in the community to amplify the SBDC's outreach efforts in these communities.

By partnering with SBDC, the SRPC can build community vibrancy and resiliency in towns with growing minority populations. Cultivate new and existing businesses, create jobs, and provide enhanced opportunities for underserved minorities and new Americans.

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Title of Project: Rapid Response Flex Fund (Revolving Loan Fund)

Community or Organization Name: Strafford Economic Development Corp

Contact Person & Title: Dennis McCann

Phone: 1-603-749-2211

E-mail Address: dmccann@sedcnh.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Estimated 75-100

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Utilize EDA funds as match for \$1,000,000 State Small Business Credit Initiative loan, thus creating a \$2,000,000 revolving fund. Create flexible loan program to address record NH business formation, worker housing, training, childcare, supply chain improvement and general growth capital needs of new and existing businesses and non-profit service providers.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

As a CDFI, SEDC addresses underserved markets. The proposed fund would provide flexible lending to address prime needs of the economy in real time, crossing over rigid program silos to provide the following:

- new business venture creation to achieve a better home/life balance,
- truly affordable workforce housing, transportation and childcare services and facilities,
- increasing agricultural capacity, especially ventures too small for USDA programs,
- assisting businesses establishing new or redesigned operations, storage and production capacity,
- training new workers and / or retraining existing workers for new systems and operations,
- retrenching existing businesses (we would supply working capital for them to address opportunities),

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total fund would be \$2,000,000 (\$1,000,000 EDA, \$1,000,000 SSBCI) Overhead borne by SEDC. Match has been applied for and is expected to be approved.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

True workforce housing is a critical need and we have funded two "beta" models that we want to repeat. Funding of ancillary transportation with these projects is highly desired. Childcare is in high demand in certain markets and we have developed a financial soundness template to test business plans for daycare centers. We would provide funding to expand operations and provide technical assistance to assure success. Infrastructure improvements of all types would be financed to increase the capacity of businesses and employees. Training programs are key, and we would provide loans to employers with appropriate structures to weight repayment to periods when resulting capacity rises. We have been in touch with numerous small agriculture operations that can't get appropriate funding from private lenders or government programs, and are very concerned about helping them. We would address the burgeoning business creation wave by providing funding and technical assistance via our free consultant program. SEDC provided a massive program of financial adjustments to businesses and non-profits and would have funds to lend to complete changes and move forward into markets, completing a resiliency model.



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Title of Project: Library Accessibility Improvements

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Michelle Mears, Director of Planning and Community Development

Phone: 603-692-9519

E-mail Address: mmears@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Somersworth Library was constructed around 1969 in Downtown Somersworth on a 0.32-acre site. The building is adjacent to the US Post Office, office and retail buildings, and municipal buildings. The building is a sound masonry structure with the ADA access to the building from Station Street. Users can currently access the upper mezzanine, bathrooms, and lower Children’s room by staircase only.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The City of Somersworth has received proposals from architects to complete a feasibility study for improved accessibility at the Public Library. The goal is to develop concepts which will be used as a basis to fund and complete improved accessibility alternatives for the Public Library.

The current layout of the building is a multi-level with access to various parts of the Library by staircase only. The City is seeking consultants to develop a concept or multiple concepts to provide improved access to the Library's entire collection, to include a focus on access to bathrooms and the children's section. Once a consultant develops a comprehensive plan and cost estimates.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The total project cost at this time is unknown, however the City has a preliminary estimate of \$500,000.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Strafford Economic Development District theme, that relates to this project, is *community vibrancy, accessibility, and age friendliness*.



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Title of Project: National Guard Readiness Center Reuse

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Michelle Mears, Director of Planning and Community Development

Phone: 603-692-9519

E-mail Address: mmears@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The National Guard Readiness Center property located at 15 Blackwater Road sits on 4 acres of land that will be deeded back to the City of Somersworth on or about July 2021. The City has established a Reuse Commission to explore how to best utilize the property for the community. The City of Somersworth is exploring reuse options such as a community center, city storage site, and/or selling a portion of the property.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Somersworth National Guard Readiness Center contains several components to include a one-story brick building that has a commercial-grade kitchen, individual offices, and an assembly hall. The building is located at Blackwater road in the middle of the City, and close to other services which include: Fire, Police, and Public Works. The 12,400 square-foot main armory, built in 1955, has an estimated value of \$3.1 million, while the 3,389 square-foot field maintenance facility. It is newer than this date, is valued at \$1.7 million; total value combined both properties are valued at \$4.2 million. There are also a number of storage units on site. In January of 2021 the Mayor formed a National Guard ReUse Commission whose purpose is to identify potential redevelopment purposes. The City of Somersworth will be working with SRPC to conduct a Phase 1 Environmental Assessment of the property. The next step is to conduct a building assessment to identify any immediate structural improvements of the facility and potentially a market analysis of the property should all or part of the site be placed on the market. The building assessment and analysis is needed to document the conditions of the site, and the structure, in order to determine the viability of any identified reuse.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The total project cost at this time is unknown. After reviewing the buildings history and the completion of the ESA 1 Assessment there may be a need to seek State DES or EPA Brownfields remediation funding; other sources might include EDA funding and other State or Federal Grant opportunities.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Strafford Economic Development District theme, that relates to this project, is *community vibrancy*. One immediate potential reuse being discussed is the possibility of creating a Community Center and/or a Recreational Center. If this is the major path selected, this space will create a City facility that will create pockets of activity, and have a sense of place, which is vital to regional vibrancy, and as a result of serving as local gathering place. This space could become a multigenerational community center, that could serve as a hub of activity for youth, families, seniors, civic organizations, and parks and recreation. This facility would help bring people together and build both community connectivity and social capital. If a community center is realized it would help bring people together.



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Title of Project: Fire Station Training Tower and Equipment

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: SASmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Training Tower at Fire Station, generator at fire station, decontamination equipment and air compressor for SCBA

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Training Tower at Fire Station, generator at fire station, decontamination equipment and air compressor for SCBA. This project represents additional facility and equipment improvements needed at new fire station.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$336,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project will upgrade training facilities for first-responders, improving Somersworth's resiliency by making emergency services like police, fire, and EMTs better prepared to respond in an emergency



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Title of Project: Constitutional Way Complete Streets

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: SASmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Complete streets improvements at Constitutional Way

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project includes proposed water and sewer upgrades along Constitutional Way, as well as drainage upgrades necessary for compliance with Somersworth's MS4 permit with US EPA. The complete streets framework will include refinishing the road surface as well as sidewalks, lighting, and streetscaping improvements. This project is located in the downtown core within a federal Opportunity Zone, and is anticipated to support further community and economic development of the downtown.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$1,086,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The “Complete Street” policy framework balances the need for efficient vehicular transportation with other modes such as bicycle and pedestrian amenities. Support of these alternative modes is important for community vibrancy and for supporting residents of all ages and abilities.



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Title of Project: Main Street Complete Streets

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: SASmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Complete streets improvements to Main Street
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project includes proposed water and sewer upgrades along Main Street. It will also include drainage upgrades necessary for compliance with Somersworth's MS4 permit with US EPA, which are particularly important due to this project's proximity to the Salmon Falls River. The complete streets framework will include refinishing the road surface as well as sidewalks, lighting, and streetscaping improvements. This project is located in the downtown core within a federal Opportunity Zone, and is anticipated to support further community and economic development of the downtown. Main Street abuts the former GE/Aclara property (Aclara is closing the facility in 2021 and discussions for its reuse are ongoing) and a series of mixed use properties, intended to spur investment in mixed-use district.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$6,400,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The “Complete Street” policy framework balances the need for efficient vehicular transportation with other modes such as bicycle and pedestrian amenities. Support of these alternative modes is important for community vibrancy and for supporting residents of all ages and abilities.



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Title of Project: Fire Pumper Engine 2

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: SASmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Replacing pumper truck reaching end of its useful life

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Replacing pumper truck reaching end of its useful life

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$650,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project is important for keeping Somersworth's emergency response equipment up to date and is important to the City's overall resiliency and preparedness for emergencies



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Title of Project: Millennium Field Improvements

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: SASmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown at this time.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No or unknown

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Millennium field LED light efficiency and field upgrades
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2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Millennium field LED light efficiency and field upgrades

- Replace aging traditional lighting with more energy-efficient LEDs. Improvements will reduce energy costs, be more environmentally friendly, and will be in keeping with current technology to make minor repairs or bulb replacement easier.
- Improvements of baseball/softball field (turf, infield, irrigation system, fence improvements)

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$200,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project will upgrade a community recreation facility. The improvements themselves will support recreation programming and benefit Somersworth residents of all ages, while the energy savings as a result of the upgrade will have a beneficial environmental impact and provide a notable cost avoidance benefit for the City.



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Title of Project: Noble Pines (Hamilton Street) Water Tank Replacement Project

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Scott Smith – Deputy City Manager

Phone: 603-692-9504

E-mail Address: sasmith@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Replace a very old metal water storage tank with a modern elevated water storage tank.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Will be replacing the current 1 million gallon water tank, originally built in 1896, which is a traditional stand pipe style tank with a modern 1 million gallon elevated water storage tank. Because of the style and location, only approximately 1/3 of the water in the tank is useable and an elevated storage tank would drastically increase the volume of water available to the community for potable use and fire flows. The project also includes a pump station that will provide better pressure for the residents near the tank.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$6,324,800

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project is an investment in new infrastructure. It will replace an asset that is at the end of its useful life, built back in 1896. The new tank has a projected life of a minimum of 50 years

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Title of Project: JA Sons Prince Garage Brownfields Cleanup

Community or Organization Name: City of Somersworth

Contact Person & Title: Michelle Mears

Phone: 603-692-9517

E-mail Address: mmears@somersworth.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Former J.A. Prince & Sons Garage -

- An access agreement for SRPC was obtained on December 11, 2019.

- A Phase I ESA was finalized on May 24, 2021.
- Plans for a Phase II ESA were initiated in May 2020, but gaps in data required revisions for additional sampling in September 2020 and again in 2021.
- Concurrently with the Phase II ESA, SRPC funded preparation of a Remedial Action Plan to identify the best method for addressing site contamination.
- A final draft of a combined report for the Phase II and Remedial Action Plan was issued for NHDES and EPA review on January 23, 2022.
- The City is examining the possibility of working with SRPC and Developer on submitting for a Brownfields Cleanup Grant for a public/private partnership on site.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Per the Phase II Environmental Assessment and Remedial Action Plan- Nobis Engineering identified, evaluated, and selected potential Remedial Action Alternatives (RAAs) to meet the requirements listed in New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Chapter Env-Or 600. Nobis identified three different actions for the site.

Remedial Alternative #1: AUR, Fencing and Signage Alternative #1 evaluated the costs of implementing institutional controls including an AUR, and the installation of a fence to prohibit access to the site. The fence would restrict access to the soil contamination. Signs would alert potential visitors to the risk posed by contamination in the soil. The total cost of this alternative over a 30-year period is estimated to cost **\$53,460**.

Remedial Alternative #2: Soil Excavation to Meet SRS Requirements and Asbestos Abatement/Hazardous Waste Materials contaminants that exceed SRS, Nobis estimates that 3,384.8 tons of contaminated soil would need to be excavated, transported, and disposed of accordingly. The excavation of contaminated soil is estimated to cost **\$660,382**.

Remedial Alternative #3: Soil Excavation to RCMP Category S-3 Compliance, Asbestos Abatement and Hazardous Material Removal Alternative #3. Nobis estimates that 2,740.93 tons of contaminated soil would need to be excavated, transported, and disposed of accordingly. The excavation of contaminated soil is estimated to cost **\$555,017**.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project relates to the following themes for 2020-2021 CEDS- housing, economic growth, equity and environmental justice, community vibrancy, and partnership and collaboration.



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Title of Project: Arts and Culture Inventory and Online Guide

Community or Organization Name: Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC)

Contact Person & Title: Jen Czysz, SRPC Executive Director

Phone: 603-994-3500

E-mail Address: jczysz@strafford.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project will collect information on art and culture sites in the SRPC region, including museums, public art installations, music and art venues, historical monuments, and others, and then compile on online, interactive guide for the public to discover art and culture sites in the region.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Through a large data collection effort, this project will map, survey, and photograph arts and culture sites in the SRPC region. Sites that will be included are museums, art and music schools, art and music venues, historical monuments and structures, libraries, art and music events, public art installations, and others. As part of this project, we will solicit information and share data with the 18 member municipalities in the SRPC region. Data that will be collected on these art and culture sites will include location, hours of operation, fee to use, specific site amenities, and other data points to be determined. Once we have gathered all of the information and photographs for all of these sites, we will develop an online, interactive guide that will include maps of these locations, pertinent information about each site, and photographs of each site. This interactive guide will be launched publicly, and we will develop an outreach program designed to disseminate this information to the general public so that citizens of our region can find arts and culture sites, organizations, and businesses to visit.

2022 Update: SRPC has begun data collection and compilation for portions of this project using EDA CARES Act funds but does not anticipate being able to fully build these resources for the entire region without further funding.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The estimated project cost for this project is \$40,000, and we have not yet determined any potential funding sources.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The final product of this project will be an online, interactive guide to arts and culture sites, organizations, and businesses in the SRPC region. This online guide will help families to locate art and culture related activities that will be enjoyable for the whole family (theme – age friendliness). Citizens of our region will be able to learn about and visit art and culture businesses that they may not have known about prior to this project (theme – economic growth). With the abundance of art and culture opportunities in our region, this guide will increase awareness of these opportunities to the general public, promote the idea of trying new activities, and encourage partnerships between local businesses and organizations (themes – community vibrancy and partnership and collaboration). SRPC will need to collaborate with our 18 member municipalities during the data collection portion of this project, and will likely partner with local organizations during the outreach portion of this project (theme – partnership and collaboration).



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Title of Project: Brownfields Assessment Program

Community or Organization Name: Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC)

Contact Person & Title: Jen Czysz, SRPC Executive Director

Phone: 603-994-3500

E-mail Address: jczysz@strafford.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

SRPC has operated a brownfields assessment program since 2015. This project would secure funding to continue the program beyond the current funding expiration in September 2022.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

SRPC's Brownfields Assessment Program is funded through a US EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. SRPC's current grant of \$300,000 is set to expire in September 2022, and SRPC anticipates that all project funds will be expended prior to that expiration date.

2022 Update: SRPC submitted an application for an EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant on December 1, 2021. EPA award announcements typically occur around May of each year.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

\$300,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

SRPC's region-wide assessment program collaborates with member municipalities and private landowners to assess and plan for the reuse of brownfield properties. EPA defines a brownfield as any property where real or perceived contamination is preventing productive reuse of the property. SRPC's assessments help municipalities and property owners to gain certainty about the presence of contamination and plan for the cost of cleanup and redevelopment. Because marginalized populations are frequently forced to live in substandard housing or neglected neighborhoods, the brownfields program can have meaningful implications for equity and availability of quality housing. Redevelopment of unused or dilapidated properties is important for the vibrancy of downtown communities and natural environments alike and creates more resilient local communities, economies, and ecosystems.



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Title of Project: Regional Housing Needs Assessment

Community or Organization Name: Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC)

Contact Person & Title: Jen Czysz, SRPC Executive Director

Phone: 603-994-3500

E-mail Address: jczysz@strafford.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Regional planning commissions in New Hampshire are required by state statute to adopt a housing needs assessment for their region every five years but receive no direct funding to do so.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Conduct qualitative research into housing demand, development patterns, and consumer preferences. As part of this effort SRPC will convene a steering committee to oversee the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process. Emphasis will be placed on conducting a series of focus group sessions to better understand housing needs associated with an aging population, transit-oriented development, and land use and growth patterns. A GIS analysis of constrained land will identify target areas of expected future residential growth. Quantitative analysis of housing trends, demographic projections, and assessments of demand and affordability coinciding with the release of decennial Census data in 2022. This second phase of the process will update all data sets, tables, and charts within the RHNA using the forthcoming 100% count data from the Census Bureau. It is anticipated that this effort will be spread over both FY2022 and 2023.

2022 Update: NH BEA allocated \$900,000 in ARPA funds to be equally divided between the 9 RPCs for the purpose of updating all RHNAs. Work on this project is currently ongoing, with the project and grant period extending into FY2023. Senator Jeanne Shaheen secured an additional \$950,000 congressional appropriation for this project, which will allow each RPC to also conduct significant updates to their regional master plans. Award documents have not been completed at this time; SRPC would receive an equal share of \$100,000 plus \$50,000 to act as the project lead and grant administrator.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

\$100,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Since the Great Recession, construction of new housing in New Hampshire has generally fallen below demand such that current estimates by New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority and others indicate roughly 20,000 additional units are needed to satisfy current housing demand. This housing shortage is affecting the availability and affordability of housing in the Strafford region, with serious implications for our region's ability to attract and retain workers and businesses. The housing shortage is also placing downward pressure on homeless support services who are struggling to transition clients into permanent housing due to lack of availability. The RHNA is an essential regional tool for investigating these trends in our communities and for proposing region-wide solutions to this housing crisis.



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Title of Project: Strafford County P25 Radio System

Community or Organization Name: Strafford County

Contact Person & Title: Ray Bower, County Administrator

Phone: 603-516-7101

E-mail Address: rbower@co.strafford.nh.us

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project will create a 4 channel P25 interoperable two way radio system and Broadband IP Microwave Backhaul to improve County Wide Law Enforcement communications abilities and create a new Fire, EMS, and Emergency Management County Wide Radio System that currently does not exist in Strafford County.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This project will create a 4 channel county wide VHF P25 two way radio system. There will be a broadband IP microwave system created to connect all radio sites in the county to act as the backhaul of the radio system. This build enhances the capabilities and coverage for the 2 existing County wide Law Enforcement Channels. It creates 2 new County wide Fire, EMS, and Emergency Management Channels which currently do not exist. Currently all municipalities in the County use disparate systems each locally owned for Fire, EMS, and Emergency Management communications. Some communities have no infrastructure and rely on neighboring towns to get the best radio coverage they can get which is in most cases not ideal. The disparate systems create interoperability issues on incidents where out of area towns come to assist where it is difficult for outside agencies to maintain and continuously update a multitude of radio channels and find the appropriate one to be using. Agencies operating on different radio systems at the same incident cause interoperability and safety issues for all public safety agencies and partners. This project will establish a total of 11 radio sites with 7 of them being newly occupied by the County. The complete reconstruction of 1 County owned radio site is included in the project which has exceeded its life expectancy and does not provide the space needed for expansion. Built into this project is fixed equipment distributed throughout the County meeting national standards for radio interoperability allowing agencies from anywhere in the country of any discipline to communicate with County agencies. This project also allows Strafford County to connect into the State of NH "core" to be able to share resources and be interoperable with state agencies, other counties, and other municipalities.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total project cost is \$3,400,000.00. Potential funding includes American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and or Bonding the project with all communities contributing to the payment through tax assessments or usage fees.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project will touch on almost all CEDS 2021 Themes, Lenses, and Perspectives. The largest theme this project is directly relevant to is the created of much needed infrastructure for public safety in Strafford County that is designed to meet today's needs but is also capable of expansion as needs change and grow. By having better public safety communications it will improve how effective public safety agencies can operate. This foundation must be in place to help foster economic growth, equality and environmental justice, age friendliness, community vibrancy, changing business operations, and collaboration. Partnership and Collaboration is at the heart of this project as it is one system to be used and shared by all agencies and partners in the County, maintained by the County for all to use. Resiliency is shown by this system being redundant on multiple levels allowing public safety to effectively respond during disasters manmade, natural, and otherwise. With the recent move to remote work during COVID it is now more important than ever for public safety personnel to have a reliable communications network to allow them to do more while on the road.



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Title of Project: Immersive Learning for Workforce Development

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Jobs in the XR/VR sector expected to grow by 30,000 in next ten years. Working with 3 companies, this project could stimulate greater than 50 jobs.

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

We propose to develop a Center for Immersive Learning, with remote spokes, to provide workforce training to companies to help them adapt and utilize virtual and augmented reality to improve business practices. The AR/VR sector is expected to grow rapidly over the next decade, acting as a catalyst to the creation of 30,000 new jobs in NH.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Immersive Learning is an innovative training methodology that combines the sense of presence of Virtual Reality with advanced learning theory, data science, and 3D design. As learners interact with the virtual world, they make decisions just as they would in the physical world, activating the same neural pathways in the brain. Given the expected growth of immersive learning and the need for workforce development to stay ahead of the curve, this project seeks to develop an immersive learning HUB which consists of an XR Development Center, a satellite center at Manchester Community College and use of an XR equipped RV to provide across the state for technology and training. The project entails three potential components:

1. Industry Pilots: Partner with companies such as Wilcox Industries, ArgenTech Solutions and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard to design and deploy tailored XR training modules.
2. iBuildNH: Partner with NH PBS to convert existing programming for trades (carpentry, electrician, plumbing, road construction, etc.) from distance learning to virtual learning.
3. Professional Development & Training (PD&T): Convert existing offerings to a virtual environment, such as Audio Engineering, Diesel Engineering, Drone Academy, Electrical Technician, and HVAC.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

\$1,914,333 total cost over two years, which includes:

- Approximately \$1.6 million requested from the Economic Development Administration via Alan Brigham
- \$258,019 cash from UNH
- \$40,000 in kind from NH Dept. of Education, Bureau of Career Development
- \$21,634 in kind from Manchester Community College

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The project directly addresses housing and workforce education by providing training to the building trades, with the goal of increasing access to workforce to improve quality of housing and construction. This, in turn, will support economic growth as the state seeks to expand housing opportunity to sustain job growth. As well, the project seeks to enhance technology infrastructure that can be adopted and utilized by other workforce development endeavors. Partner companies will ultimately change their business operations through adoption of XR and VR technologies, thus enhancing their competitiveness as well as their resiliency to economic change spurred by technology. The project will engage numerous partners, including UNH Innovation, UNH Extension, UNH Manchester, NH Department of Education, NH Public Television, Manchester Community College, school CET programs, private industry, and regional and statewide economic development organizations.



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Title of Project: Economic Recovery and Resilience Resource Hub

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Not known

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No (though activities could take place in brownfield sites)

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Originally proposed as a resource HUB that addresses resiliency and economic recovery, this project was adapted into a collaboration with NH SBDC to develop and present a Resiliency Academy training program.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This idea, as originally conceptualized, has morphed from its original intent of having a center to aggregate resources, technical assistance, and training to assist communities and businesses with economic recovery. Rather than building out a Center/HUB UNH Extension partnered with the NH Small Business Development Center to develop the Resiliency Academy, which engaged over 250 community leaders and businesses across the state. The Academy is comprised of training and resources for communities and businesses, as well as a coaching/peer network so that participants can support each other in their respective regions. The Resiliency Academy has served many of the functions that the resiliency HUB was intended to do when first conceptualized. While a more official resource HUB could be pursued in the future if an opportunity presents itself, for the time being this project is functionally completed.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total Project Cost: \$420,000 over 3 years to support a half-time Hub Director, a project manager, and student support to establish the center, identify project opportunities, coalesce faculty and resources, and establish the center, and secure sustainability funding.

Potential Funding: Up to \$210,000 in-kind support from UNH to cover a portion of the salary/benefits and office space. Long-term funding would be generated from grant revenue and program/service fees.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Hub directly addresses housing by providing data and planning support to communities and housing organizations that are addressing the housing crisis in New Hampshire, including access to affordable housing by both young families and older residents. The project ultimately supports economic growth by providing information, programming, and technical assistance communities, businesses, and organizations to guide decision-making (including workforce education). One of the areas of focus will be economic impact analysis examine the impacts and benefits of various attributes—such as telecommunications infrastructure—that contribute to or detract from the local and state economy. A special emphasis will be placed on equity and inclusion and to engage underrepresented populations, which ultimately expands economic opportunity (such as providing targeted resources to underrepresented business owners). Lastly, the Hub seeks to engage statewide partners to develop strategies, best practices, and resources that support communities, businesses, and organizations in achieving

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Title of Project: West Edge Innovation Neighborhood

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): 1,000+

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

An innovation neighborhood and ecosystem in the Durham HUB zone will recruit new high-tech companies to the Seacoast region and provide access to UNH facilities, equipment, academic and professional development programs, faculty and staff expertise, and undergraduate and graduate students . The vision integrates R&D facilities with retail, community services, childcare, recreation, performance, and convening spaces to promote a walkable, community-focused center for collaboration and resultant high paying jobs.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The University of New Hampshire seeks to drive Strafford County’s continued economic growth through development of the West Edge Innovation Neighborhood (The Edge). Plans for *The Edge* include redevelopment of 60 acres less than one mile from Thompson Hall, at the connecting point of roads that lead to Concord, Manchester, and Portsmouth. An initial draft master plan for development envisions a densely populated central square with both a startup incubator and convening center capable of hosting 300-500 people for creative, artistic, and business events. Fully developed, *The Edge* will have approximately *one million square feet* of retail, residential, and commercial/research space, creating significant jobs, academic and internship opportunities, and positive economic impact for both UNH and our regional community. We seek to recruit major companies and support startup companies to locate at *The Edge*, providing unique partnerships and the potential to create \$1 billion in economic impact by 2030.

Two construction projects are planned for the initial phase of development. The first will be designed to support several federal and industry research programs and will consist of high bay and laboratory facilities that are not currently available within UNH’s existing footprint. The facility will be anchored by UNH’s John Olson Advanced Manufacturing Center and Center for Coastal and Ocean Mapping and will work with existing industry partners to aid marine autonomous vehicle companies through a continuum of technical support, pier access, and workforce training initiatives. We are also working with other partners currently located on campus, Southwest Research Institute and NOAA, to design spaces that will allow them to expand their UNH presence. The second facility will provide space for childcare facilities as well as a new home for Northeast Passage, a UNH-led program that delivers innovative and accessible recreation and health-promotion programs to those living with disabling conditions.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Phase 1 will cost approximately \$80M to construct and fully furnish a new building totaling ~100,000 SF. We expect there to be a combination of public and private funding to support the construction.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Infrastructure

Age Friendliness

Mobility and Accessibility

- Workforce/Education
- Childcare
- Economic Growth
- Equity and Environmental Justice

- Community Vibrancy
- Changing Business Operations
- Resiliency
- Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Workforce/Education – *The Edge* will provide numerous opportunities to support education and workforce development. Companies at *The Edge* will help: create meaningful and longer-tenured internships, improve and grow our co-op programs, scale capstone research projects, and increase high-paying employment opportunities and career options. The close collaboration with UNH will also drive new curricula and programs that align with company needs.

Economic Growth and Resiliency – *The Edge* will drive job creation and economic impact for the region, and new revenue streams to UNH. At capacity, *The Edge* will support a thousand jobs and we believe it will drive \$1 billion of economic impact. UNH stands to benefit financially from land leases, rents, increased corporate and federal research funding, royalties from the commercialization of research creation of UNH startups, and increased enrollment across undergraduates, graduate students, and post-doctoral students.

Infrastructure – *The Edge* will be the first development of its kind in New Hampshire, seeking out R&D intensive industries to grow operations less than one mile from the center of the UNH Durham campus. Available space to support company relocation and expansion – particularly high-tech research space - is hard to find in the region. The initial phase of *The Edge* would provide between 100,000 -200,000 SF for innovation, with an additional 700,000+ SF added over time.

Community Vibrancy and Collaboration – *The Edge* is purposely viewed as an innovation neighborhood and not a research park. The distinction is important as the focus is on designing an accessible construct collection of mixed-use research, office, and retail opportunities that will catalyze the engagement of UNH and Durham with the world. Opportunities exist to develop space and facilities for the arts and humanities, to inspire collaboration, and to provide critical community services, such as healthcare, childcare and physical fitness.



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Title of Project: Economic resilience through enhanced capacity to monitor future threats and mobilize resources to combat future disease outbreaks

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

Contact Person & Title: Marian McCord, Senior Vice Provost for Research, Economic Engagement, and Outreach

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
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Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

- 1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

We propose a fully cooperative, shared space at the University of New Hampshire that brings together industry, government, academic, and not-for-profit organizations committed to enhancing surveillance, testing, and research on pathogenic and toxic agents to identify and mitigate the economic and public health impacts of uncertain future threats.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This proposal addresses a critical need in the state and region for enhanced surveillance, testing, and research on pathogenic and toxic agents that threaten our economic resilience through direct impacts on human, wildlife, environmental, and agricultural health. New Hampshire faces significant economic challenges resulting from COVID-19, including over \$2.6 billion in lost business revenues. Estimates suggest that New Hampshire has lost over 63,000 jobs (over 9% of the workforce) since February 2020, with critical sectors to NH's economy—tourism and hospitality—hit particularly hard. Prolonged closures, remote learning and/or hybrid approaches in higher education and K-12 school districts around the state have further stressed the workforce.

The emergence of COVID-19 is, unfortunately, not a unique event. Human health is heavily impacted by the interconnection of people, animals, agriculture, and their shared environment, highlighted by numerous local (e.g., environmental PFAS contamination), regional (e.g., Lyme disease; *E. coli* contamination of produce; EEE and WNV viruses) and global events (e.g., H1N1, Ebola, COVID-19). Approximately 75% of all emerging human infectious diseases in the past three decades originated in animals, resulting in 2.5 billion cases of sickness, 2.7 million deaths around the world each year, and enormous economic losses felt throughout every sector and supply chain.

UNH is uniquely positioned to lead the region in understanding the interplay between these threats in New Hampshire and northern New England. With a targeted plan to leverage infrastructure investments, diagnostic capabilities, research expertise, and community engagement, UNH can bring together expertise and resources from across the state to identify and mitigate the economic and public health impacts of emerging pathogens.

Ultimately, we envision a fully cooperative, shared space at the University of New Hampshire that brings together industry, government, academic, and not-for-profit organizations with a shared commitment to enhance surveillance, testing, and research on pathogenic and toxic agents. We anticipate a significant focus on partnering and supporting start-up and early-stage companies that can benefit from the collection of resources, expertise, and shared instrumentation.

2022 Estimate: Planning is proceeding. Current plans target this project as a startup occupant of the West Edge Innovation Neighborhood.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Total costs are anticipated to be \$20M (2021 estimate), but now identified for funding within West Edge project. Potential funding sources include State and Federal appropriations (e.g., EDA), university investments, private development, and fund raising.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Workforce/Education

This initiative will provide hands-on, workforce training opportunities for hundreds of students per year. Similar to the UNH InterOperability Lab, we will provide internship, employment, and job placement support for students throughout New Hampshire.

Economic Growth

In addition to applying knowledge to mitigate the economic impact of emerging pathogenic and toxic agents, this initiative will provide a fertile ground for supporting start-up and early-stage companies that can benefit from the collection of resources, expertise, and shared instrumentation.

Infrastructure

This initiative will support the development of both hard and soft infrastructure. In addition to a physical building and associated equipment, significant effort will be placed on building partnerships and relationships that will sustain and grow the initial investment.

Resiliency

COVID-19 reinforced the critical connection between human health and the economy. A hallmark of this effort is the creation of a system to identify and mitigate the economic and public health impacts of emerging pathogens and toxic threats.

Partnership and Collaboration

This project will engage numerous partners, including the New Hampshire Departments of Health and Human Services, Environmental Services, and Agriculture, Markets, and Food; private industry; and regional and statewide economic development organizations.



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Title of Project: Expansion of UNH’s Jackson Estuarine Laboratory in support of a resilient NH coastal economy

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

Contact Person & Title: Diane Foster, Director of UNH School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates

Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

UNH's Jackson Estuarine Lab at Adams Point houses nationally recognized scientists whose resilience research informs adaptive management and decision-making in government and private sectors. JEL expansion will support coastal management and resilience issues in the Great Bay estuary that are critical to the future of a resilient NH coastal economy.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The UNH Jackson Estuarine Lab (JEL) is located five miles from the Durham campus on the shores of Great Bay Estuary, one of the largest estuaries in northern New England. JEL features well-equipped facilities where scientists conduct field-based and experimental research on physical and biological components of coastal ecosystems. Research at JEL has advanced our understanding of coastal ecosystems, especially with regard to human influences and management, in New Hampshire, the Gulf of Maine region and the world. JEL is in critical need of infrastructure upgrades to accommodate the growing body of work supporting the range of coastal management and resilience issues in both the Great Bay (which includes the Piscataqua River) and Hampton-Seabrook estuarine systems, that are critical to the future of a resilient NH coastal economy.

With a focus on coastal economic, infrastructure, ecosystem, and social resilience, JEL functionally supports monitoring and restoration activities of critical habitats such as salt marsh that buffer against sea-level rise and increasing storms, and facilitates targeted investment that supports the state's emerging aquaculture industry.

We request support to expand the UNH Jackson Estuarine Lab (JEL) by 2,000 sq ft. to 1) launch a state-of-the-art water quality lab that can leverage UNH's investment in sequencing, better engage federal, state, and local partners, and provide real time monitoring of the Great Bay Estuarine System and 2) provide the local support through a new high bay space for marine operations (manned, autonomous), aquaculture systems, expanded diving, and field operations. These spaces would allow us to significantly advance student training experiences, state and federal partner relationships, and next generation tool development necessary for building resiliency in our estuarine and coastal systems.

2022 Update: Was submitted as a FY22 Congressionally Directed Spending request; Included in final Federal budget (CJS) for \$3.813MM. Awaiting next steps to access funds

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The 2,000 sq ft addition currently funded at \$3.813 Million

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
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Equity and Environmental Justice

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

JEL is critical infrastructure to a number of state and federal agencies (including their funded state-level programs), and plays a central role in helping implement federal, state and local coastal and estuarine management priorities. The USEPA, USFWS, US Army Corps of Engineers, USGS and NOAA through the National Estuarine Research Reserve, National Sea Grant College Program, National Coastal Program, and IOOS all rely on the JEL in shaping and implementing coastal resilience planning and work across the ~1100 sq mile coastal watershed of NH and southern Maine.



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Title of Project: A STEM-Focused Outdoor Walking Museum at the Living Bridge

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

New funding would transform the Memorial Bridge into a STEM Outdoor Walking Museum. Instead of paintings and artist descriptions, this “Living Bridge Project” (LBP) museum will feature various structural members, sensors, the mechanical lift system and other key components of the bridge. Videos highlighting engineering and technology features of the bridge and profiling engaging, practicing engineers that designed or worked on the construction of the bridge.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Imagine a bridge over a tidal estuary, a local landmark that has such broad appeal that it captivates practicing engineers, students and professors, and also deeply resonates with an entire community; a bridge that has the ability to sense its environment (sensor network), to talk to us (web communication), to move (lift span) and to feed itself (energy from a tidal turbine). These technology enhancements have effectively “humanized” this bridge and brought it to life. This is the fundamental concept and vision for The **Living Bridge Project** (LBP).

The LBP was initially funded through the National Science Foundation in 2014 to design and deploy a structural health monitoring system and a tidal energy conversion system at the Memorial Bridge connecting Portsmouth, NH and Kittery, ME. The LBP is pedestrian friendly and is equipped with visible structural sensors and a tidal turbine platform. The LBP enhanced the engagement of teachers and students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (**STEM**) by creating a new, transformative educational platform based on the smart, sustainable additions to the Memorial Bridge.

The new activity that would be funded by this project is the **STEM Outdoor Walking Museum at the Living Bridge**. Instead of paintings and artist descriptions, this LBP museum will feature various structural members, sensors, the mechanical lift system and other key components of the bridge. Videos highlighting engineering and technology features of the bridge and profiling engaging, practicing engineers that designed or worked on the construction of the bridge.

Engineers and manufacturers will be showcased with an emphasis on local connections; the idea is to establish role models for our young visitors. Quick Response or QR codes will be printed on the descriptions for the public to access additional information using their mobile devices.

Students and families will be encouraged to take family trips to the Living Bridge to see the technology that they learned about in camp, school or online. This project will include a “Living Bridge Day” event to celebrate the education modules and class projects completed using data from the LBP.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Depending the funds available – this project could expand to full three years with a cost of ~\$750K.

For example –

If this project solely funds the creation of the walking museum.

The estimated timeline- 18 months

The estimate cost - \$125,000 – mostly funding students to develop content (including video) and materials to post the placards.

If this project funded the creation of the walking museum and one summers of teacher training to use the LBP in their classrooms

The estimated timeline- 24 months

The estimate cost - \$200,000 – mostly funding students to develop content, consultant video production support, stipends for 10 teachers to attend training to incorporate the LBP into their curriculum, support for training leaders and materials to post the placards and project support for classroom project.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The "Living Bridge Project" was funded by the National Science Foundation and provided the infrastructure for bridge structural health monitoring sensors, environmental sensors, estuarine sensor, tidal energy conversion system, as well as the initial planning for a STEM Walking Museum.

The tidal energy deployment and testing infrastructure developed under the LBP will be used in several research projects and the new DOE Atlantic Marine Energy Center, which will provide continued "content" for the STEM Outdoor Walking Museum.

The workforce development component of this project comes from the creation of a pipeline for students to stay connected with STEM/ICT disciplines from 7th grade through high school to college. The experiences in this project are available to formal K-12 educators, after-school providers (such as 4-H volunteers through the UNH Cooperative Extension Program), parents, community college and 4-year college faculty. They can learn to use LBP in various aspects of their education mission. The presented technology-based experiences will offer participants a better understanding of what engineers and scientists really do, make connections between their interests and future careers, encourage creative and critical thinking and increase conceptual understanding of mathematical and scientific concepts.

Modifying the way STEM concepts are presented at all levels of society, students, educators, parents and general citizens could reap huge benefits for the long-term success of the individual student and the future of the US economy and society as a whole. The LBP will present tangible ways how STEM/ICT professionals improve everyday life and provide opportunities for students to work and bond and identify with STEM/ICT professionals.



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Title of Project: Sources and Fate of PFAS in New Hampshire Community Wastewater Systems

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

Contact Person & Title: Paula Mouser, Associate Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering

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E-mail Address: Paula.Mouser@unh.edu

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

We propose a NH community-focused research effort to characterize the sources and sinks of PFAS in community wastewater systems which ultimately discharge into NH waterways. The results will help us understand where these PFAS are derived in our communities and how surface water and biosolids regulations will impact municipalities - especially wastewater infrastructure and biosolids handling facilities - which may require infrastructure upgrades if new regulations are established.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

To address public and ecosystem health concerns relating to PFAS in the environment, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is considering regulating per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in surface waters. New surface water regulations would reduce PFAS entering NH waterways, but could have substantial impacts to point source dischargers such as community wastewater treatment facilities. Additionally, regulatory action is ongoing in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, and Maine for biosolids produced from water and wastewater treatment facilities due to potential concerns with land application. Biosolids regulations could dramatically impact handling costs and disposal options for solids from water and wastewater treatment facilities.

We propose a NH community-focused research effort to characterize the sources and sinks of PFAS in community wastewater systems which ultimately discharge into NH waterways.

This effort would involve:

- establishing partnerships with municipal and/or community group leaders in interested cities and towns to sample wastewater derived from urban, commercial, industrial, and municipal sources that enter community treatment facilities;
- characterizing PFAS compounds for major wastewater and sludge sources within the community using state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation; and
- developing a model for PFAS loads in wastewater media, and working with state and local entities to apply the model to other communities and PFAS mass reduction scenarios.

To date, Mouser's work has assessed PFAS in wastewater effluent and sludges at treatment facilities discharging into tributaries of the Great Bay Estuary along the NH seacoast (<https://seagrant.unh.edu/research/2020-2021/wastewater-PFAS-great-bay>). Her work indicates that PFAS loads from wastewater facilities represent less than 11% of PFAS mass entering this watershed, and that other sources (stormwater, urban runoff, agricultural runoff, septic system discharge, groundwater discharge, and/or atmospheric deposition) may constitute the majority. This PFAS mass balance has only characterized wastewater media for four facilities, has not considered seasonal effects, the influence of facility design, or input sources on these trends, and has yet to be conducted in other NH watersheds. Further research is urgently needed to understand where these PFAS are derived in our communities and how surface water and biosolids regulations will impact municipalities - especially wastewater infrastructure and biosolids handling facilities - which may require infrastructure upgrades if new regulations are established.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

~\$900,000. This project fits within the EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) program by characterizing sources where PFAS derive in communities and identifying wastewater infrastructure factors that influence their discharge or accumulation in residuals. This information is critical in understanding how NH wastewater systems may be impacted by PFAS surface water regulations. We understand the state of NH may need to lead a project funded via STAG. We have begun initial outreach to gauge interest from DES.

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.

Housing

Infrastructure

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Funding for this project would build state capacity, expand state and local partnerships, and broaden the scope of research and expertise at UNH and NHDES on the fate of PFAS in wastewater systems. This project characterizes sources where PFAS derive in communities and identifying wastewater infrastructure factors that influence their discharge or accumulation in residuals. This information is critical in understanding how NH wastewater systems may be impacted by PFAS surface water regulations.

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Mouser recently partnered with NHDES to sample more than 50 wastewater treatment facilities to characterize COVID-19 biomarkers during the start of the pandemic. This effort would build on these existing state and local partnerships with a focus on emerging contaminants (PFAS) in major point source dischargers across the state.



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Title of Project: South Drive Infrastructure Improvements

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

Contact Person & Title: Stephen Pesci, Special Projects Director; Capital Planning & Management

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Completion of a ½ mile street, culvert/bridge, sidewalk, transit, and pedestrian improvements to link Main Street and McDaniel Drive on the campus of UNH Durham

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

This essential transport corridor was envisioned in the 2004 Campus Master Plan and reaffirmed in 2012. By relieving Main Street congestion the project will improve transit operations and reduce fuel consumption, travel times, and emissions. The project will demonstrate new materials technologies, enhance bike/pedestrian safety, improve emergency response times, complete a necessary additional grade-separated crossing of the Pan Am rail line, and support southwest quad campus development.

2022 Update: 2022 cost estimate includes final engineering and construction. No ROW is required. UNH has funded the project to 30% design. Wetlands permit pending. Remaining design and engineering could be complete within 1 year of award. Construction could be bid shortly after design completion. Traffic & air quality modeling was completed in 2011 demonstrating emissions and local traffic congestion reduction.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
Current cost estimate of \$3.51 million

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The infrastructure investments associated with this project have improved mobility and accessibility within the UNH campus as a primary objective. This will include improved access for emergency services, thereby improving resiliency and response times across campus. Water/sewer improvements along the corridor will improve economic development in western Durham, both on- and off-campus, by bypassing aging and overburdened systems along Main Street. Congestion mitigation and improvements to an aging and inadequate crossing of College Brook demonstrate resiliency investment, and this investment would support additional investment in UNH facilities for a variety of education, workforce development and/or research type facilities.

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Title of Project: Blue Economy Regional Master Plan Development

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

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E-mail Address: Charlie.French@unh.edu

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

To help Seacoast New Hampshire prepare for and realize the workforce and business potential of the Blue Economy, we envision a collaborative, multi-sector approach that incorporates local context in a regional network to inform long-range planning and implementation.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Seacoast region of New Hampshire, which could be expanded to stretch from Southern Maine through NH and North Shore Massachusetts, relies heavily on marine and coastal assets to drive economic development. In addition to benefitting from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, which supports 9,000 employees, the region supports a diverse array of blue economy activities, including tourism, commercial and recreational fishing, power generation, manufacturing, and research. Despite these activities' importance, they are largely uncoordinated, and policy makers lack an understanding of regional assets and the economic impact of blue economy activities. NOAA estimates the blue economy supported 2.3 million jobs in the US in 2018 and contributed \$373 billion to GDP. With the blue economy expected to double in the next decade, it is imperative that communities in our region work together to capitalize on that growth and create jobs that provide livable wages for all socioeconomic classes and underrepresented populations.

The proposed Blue Economy Master Plan Development will encompass the following activities:

- 1) Blue Economy Baseline Assessment - Analysis of Seacoast region's economic base; demographic profile; workforce, cluster, and supply chain assessments; business opportunity assessment; report completion.
- 2) GIS Analysis - Geospatial analysis across the region to identify potential locations to support development of industry clusters, considering impacts on natural systems and climate change.
- 3) Think Lab Ideation - Engage philanthropic organizations, industry leaders, NGOs, investors, research institutions, and government to help shape overall proposal, guide project areas, connect with key stakeholders, and inform policy.
- 4) Industry and Roundtables - Roundtables with key industry leaders and stakeholders to solicit feedback and shape tangible projects moving forward.
- 5) Facility and Infrastructure Study - Assessment of developed and undeveloped sites to understand capacity to support Blue Economy business needs.
- 6) Final Master Plan - Synthesis of all data sources and engagement efforts to forge a plan.

- ## 3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
- \$500,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Housing – Proposed planning activities will coincide with a statewide effort by NH’s nine regional planning commissions—in partnership with Southern Maine Regional Planning and Development Commission—to update Regional Housing Needs Assessments. We will leverage that effort to better understand the needs of underserved communities and find pathways to connect them to blue economy job opportunities.

Workforce/Education and Infrastructure – The planning process will identify existing and needed assets and industry partnerships to catalyze growth across areas such as aquaculture, marine renewable energy marine technology and manufacturing, offshore wind, and resilient coastal infrastructure domains, with particular emphasis on workforce, entrepreneurship, planning, and infrastructure activities.

Economic Growth and Resiliency – NOAA estimates the Blue Economy supported 2.3 million jobs in the US in 2018 and contributed \$373 billion to GDP. With the Blue Economy expected to double in the next decade, it is imperative that communities in our region work together to capitalize on that growth and create jobs that provide livable wages for all socioeconomic classes and underrepresented populations.

Equity and Community Vibrancy - A core ingredient to success for any multi-sector collaboration is inclusive engagement. We will structure a planning and engagement process designed to reach diverse populations in our region. Key providers of workforce education in the region—e.g., UNH, UMass Amherst, and Great Bay Community College—all have programs that support minority and first-generation students. Additionally, the NH Bureau of Career Development supports the development of career pathways for high school youth via the 19 Career and Technical Education programs that they oversee in the state, most of which serve socioeconomically disadvantaged youth and minority populations in the larger urban areas in the state.

Partnership and Collaboration – The proposed project benefits from a strong coalition of partners including representation from Economic Development Districts, State/Local Government, Higher Education, Non-Profits, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and over a dozen regional businesses.

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Title of Project: Cybersecurity Assessment Center and Testbed

Community or Organization Name: University of New Hampshire

Contact Person & Title: Qiaoyan Yu, Professor, Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of New Hampshire

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): 20. In addition to the job created, we will ...

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The proposed Cybersecurity Assessment Center and Testbed (CACT) aims to address the ongoing cybersecurity challenges in manufacturing. This project will continually predict and assess the potential attack surfaces that could be leveraged by cyber attackers to harm manufacturing. This project will also develop strong educational programs to address the shortage of workforce for cybersecurity.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The ongoing smart manufacturing digital revolution enables manufacturers to transform their legacy fabrication techniques into highly precise, cost effective and sustainable automated production systems. The increased connectivity to the cyber space makes smart manufacturing suffer from cybersecurity challenges. The key objectives of this project are as follows:

Objective 1: Uses off-the-shelf instruments/equipment/hardware, as well as state-of-the-art innovations, and in-house customized software to develop an advanced testbed for both onsite and at UNH cybersecurity assessments, so as not to disrupt production.

Objective 2: Provides cost-effective cybersecurity consulting services and threat assessments to NH SMEs, and trains their employees how to use necessary tools to detect and mitigate cybersecurity attacks.

Objective 3: Promotes technology development and transfer from CACT to NH industry.

Objective 4: Creates and implements an education curriculum to train future cybersecurity experts and prepare them with extensive hands-on experiences.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Close to \$3M for the total project cost

The potential funding source: Economic Adjustment Assistance (EDA), National Science Foundation (NSF)

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

Housing

Age Friendliness

Workforce/Education

Childcare

Economic Growth

Equity and Environmental Justice

Infrastructure

Mobility and Accessibility

Community Vibrancy

Changing Business Operations

Resiliency

Partnership and Collaboration

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Workforce/education: This project will create strong curriculums not only benefiting current UNH students (i.e., cybersecurity minor) but also offering the training certificates for employees in small and medium business.

Economic growth: The cybersecurity assessment center and testbed will provide small and medium business with cost-effective consulting service to address their cybersecurity need and help them to improve their market competitiveness (e.g. cybersecurity certificates). More security vulnerabilities identified from our center and testbed will prevent the business from cyber-attacks (minimize the company downtime and economic loss associated with that).

Infrastructure: The assessment center and testbed will contribute to the education and research infrastructure available at the University of New Hampshire. Meanwhile, the availability of this low-cost service also strengthens the cybersecurity infrastructure available to NH businesses.

Changing business operations: The security of manufacturing will enable more remote managements in manufacturers in NH, thus saving the cost on workforce. The internet-on-things based monitoring systems will allow the manufacturer to adjust their business operation to be compatible with industry 4.0

Resiliency: The assurance of security will contribute to improve manufacturers resiliency against cyber-attacks.

Partnership and collaboration: The assessment center enriches the collaboration platform between UNH research labs and NH industry. The collaboration is not only reflected on the cybersecurity assessment projects, and it will also help companies find the cybersecurity experts.



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Title of Project: Wakefield Sewer Project

Community or Organization Name: Town of Wakefield

Contact Person & Title: Dino A. Scala, Town Administrator

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E-mail Address: townadmin@wakefieldnh.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Town of Wakefield has started the early phase of looking for funding for our sewer piping and pumping stations (two stations)

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

To rebuild existing pump stations. One located in downtown area, and other located near Route 16 highway. Sewer pipes not in need of repair at this time. However, pumping stations are starting to fail and are in need of replacement.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$800,000 – likely block grants, NBRC grant, and/or municipal bonding

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce/Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Vibrancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Changing Business Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Resiliency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity and Environmental Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and Collaboration |

5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Here in Wakefield we have close to 130 homes and businesses including the town hall and public library using town water and sewer. Along with our roads, the public water and sewer are key parts of our town's infrastructure and need to be maintained.



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Title of Project: Wakefield Sewer Project

Community or Organization Name: Sanbornville Precinct

Contact Person & Title: Peter Kasprzyk

Phone:

E-mail Address: sanwatdep@gmail.com

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

Water system improvements

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Sanbornville Precinct water system is currently undergoing a series of water system improvements scheduled to be completed in early 2023. We are currently seeking funding for phase II of these improvements, which could begin immediately upon completion of the current project. [OTHER NOTES ABOUT PHASE II?]

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?
\$5,000,000

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

The Sanbornville Precinct is a special unit of government located in Wakefield, NH and responsible for the operation of a public water system. This project is essential to the Precinct's core mission and would support drinking water infrastructure at the heart of a rural downtown community.



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Title of Project: The Gafney Library Expansion Project

Community or Organization Name: Gafney Library, Inc.

Contact Person & Title: Richard DesRoches, President, Board of Trustees

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): Unknown-

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

We are seeking funding for a major expansion of the historic Gafney Library in Sanbornville, NH. The project consists of a 2,500 square foot addition, renovation and refurbishment of the existing building to be ADA compliant, a 900 sq-foot community room, updated building infrastructure, and significant improvements in information technology.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Gafney Library was built in 1925 to serve a population of 1,500. Since that time, population served has grown (pop. 6,100) and the number of summer residents has markedly increased (estimated at 9,000). The library currently serves this population in 2,400 square feet.

The Gafney Board and staff began considering a major expansion in 2010. Our first step in the process was working with a library consultant to complete a space analysis. We then turned to the community to identify our patron's priorities for a library expansion. Over the ensuing years the Gafney staff surveyed library patrons to prioritize space and functional needs from the public's perspective. In 2017, we surveyed the general public and held a series of community meetings. The information gathering allowed us to focus on the specific service areas that were of particular concern to our community.

This community focused need assessment identified 4 areas for improvements that comprise the objectives of this project.

- Relocate the children's library from the basement of the building to the first floor, doubling the size of the children/youth library.
- Provide separate meeting space dedicated to teens – currently not something that the library can offer
- Reading room space for adult patrons with comfortable seating for reading and for computer use
- Community meeting space

The total cost of the project is \$1.45 million. We have currently raised \$975,000 through private donations from community members and local foundations, which will cover 95% of the cost of the new wing. The remaining \$475,000 will cover the final design and construction costs for the following: technology upgrades, furnishings, and equipment for the new and existing spaces, and completion of the community room in the existing ground floor. In addition, we will refurbish the existing space and upgrade existing building infrastructure and lighting.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

The total cost of the project is \$1.45 million. We have currently raised \$975,000 through private donations from community members and local foundations. Additional funding sources include public grants (est. \$300,000), private grants and individual pledges and donations (est. \$175,000).

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

This project fits within many Strafford EDD themes. First, the planned expansion, renovation and refurbishment will create a library that can serve patrons across the life span (Age-friendly). Older patrons, who may have mobility limitations, will have access to accessible comfortable space. Children and adolescents will have expanded, age appropriate space of their own. Second, Gafney Library currently operates a multitude of education programs for children, adolescents, and adults including resume building and interview coaching and HiSET (GED) tutoring and testing, currently in rented space. The expansion will allow these programs to operate in a more central, convenient location (Workforce/education). Third, the Gafney serves a rural, lower-income area. The expanded offerings enabled by this project help to create equitable access to information and services for the Sanbornville community (Equity). Fourth, the Gafney is located in the heart of the village, within walking distance of the local elementary school. It is a gathering place for children, adolescents, and adults, and increases foot traffic in the village (Community Vibrancy). Fifth, the Gafney serves as a hub for the community's small business owners, providing access to high-speed internet and a wide variety of informational resources. This access, particularly to high speed internet, is crucial for small businesses to survive in our changing environment. With the expanded facility, the Gafney will be able to offer these services to many more of the small business owners in the greater Wakefield areas (Changing Business Operations). Sixth, libraries are, by their nature, collaborative organizations. The Gafney collaborates with its sister agencies throughout the region and state on programming and access to print and digital materials through interlibrary loan. In addition, the library runs joint educational programs with local community organizations such as the Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance – an environmental water quality non-profit. (Partnership and Collaboration).



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Title of Project: Intersection Improvement-Cotton Valley Rail Trail & Rte. 16

Community or Organization Name: Wentworth Economic Development Corp., Inc. (WEDCO)

Contact Person & Title: Denise Roy-Palmer, Executive Director

Phone: (603) 569-4216

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Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Cotton Valley Rail Trail (CVRT) is located in Wakefield, Brookfield and Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. A major challenge with the trail is it intersects Route 16 which presents a challenge. The safety of both trail users and travelers on Route 16 is paramount.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The CVRT is a 12 mile hard packed trail, via a former railroad right-of-way, offers recreational opportunities to people of all ages & interests – walking, biking, running, wildlife viewing, fishing and railway motor cars. And in winter cross-country skiing and snowmobiling. The CVRT connects Turntable Park in downtown Wakefield and downtown Wolfeboro and allows trail goes to enjoy views of lakes, woods, open spaces, wetlands and wildlife. This is utilized by residents and tourists alike. The trail has experienced a significant increased use due to the Covid pandemic.

Feasibility Funds are being requested to determine the best option for crossing Route 16 aka Spaulding Turnpike. Improvements for the trail will include volunteers and professionals as needed,

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Unknown

4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?

Select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age Friendliness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobility and Accessibility |
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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Improving the intersection of the 12 mile CVRT and Rte. 16 /Spaulding relates to themes as follows:

Economic Growth: Improving safety/accessibility will result in increased tourism which will provide opportunities for business growth and expansion.

Infrastructure: Improving the area where the trail and highway intersect would require physical improvements to the benefit & safety of all trail users and road traffic alike.

Mobility and Accessibility: Would improve the safety and accessibility of all individuals that utilize the CVRT and improves alternative modes of transportation.

Community Vibrancy: This has an economic benefit to the communities by providing a healthy alternative to access the downtowns areas for shopping, dining, etc. Improve the health and welfare of local residents, workers & visitors to the area

Partnership and Collaboration: This would include the State of NH, the CVRT Committee a volunteer group that maintains/improves the train, the Cotton Valley Rail Car Club, Town government, communities, businesses, and other parties.



The Strafford Regional Planning Commission, being an Economic Development District, is responsible for the development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) which will be submitted to the Economic Development Administration. This document includes a Priority Project List consisting of projects that promote economic development throughout our communities and region, which will allow them to be eligible to receive funding for implementation from EDA.

If you have a project that you would like to submit for consideration, you can do so by completing this form and sending it to James Burdin at jburdin@strafford.org. The deadline for submission is March 5th, 2021. If you have more than one project that you would like to submit, please submit a form for each individual project.

Title of Project: Explore Moose Mountains Region
Community or Organization Name: Wentworth Economic Development Corp., Inc. (WEDCO)
Contact Person & Title: Denise Roy-Palmer, Executive Director
Phone: (603) 569-4216
E-mail Address: drp@WEDCO-NH.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known):

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

The Explore Moose Mountains (EMM) project is a grass roots regional approach to promoting and supporting the local destinations and events in a seven town region. The towns in this region consist of Brookfield, Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, Wakefield & Wolfeboro.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

Marketing EMM would lead to economic growth and development in this rural region through increased advertising via social media, and through a new EMM website and subsequent mobile app. This paired with a marketing campaign would draw visitors and customers following the tough seasons resulting from the pandemic and support the local economies of these seven towns with a visitor-friendly inventory of destinations, activities, and events.

Project sustainability is key to the mission and activities of EMM. The tasks outlined above will build off past efforts of EMM volunteers and its social media manager with a new strategic plan being completed as a key element of this project. This will help EMM create a funding plan and structure so that this first phase, Marketing the Moose, can transition into other phases where it will be more self-sustaining, supplemented by other rounds of grant funding, if available. The goal is for EMM to be self-sustaining for 2024.

First and foremost it would bring growth in customers and sales to local businesses and attractions through increased promotion and visibility. This would occur through more hours dedicated to social media marketing by our social media manager, the listing and subsequent promotion of local businesses on the new EMM website and mobile app, and the marketing campaign to draw visitors from near and far to experience the region. If we can reach over 100,000+ users on social media in a year with limited hours, we would only be able to grow our following and engagement with support for the social media manager and increased hours. These impacts would be lasting with the outcome of the strategic plan, which would allow for EMM to plan for membership and support of future services promoting the region.

An increase in customers and sales would also help small businesses to at a minimum retain staff, and in an ideal scenario create jobs.

Marketing the region would also be beneficial in allowing EMM to address known needs of area businesses identified in its business survey and address related concerns. This shows local businesses that EMM has their interests in mind and is listening and reacting to their needs.

Another need heard in EMM's recent survey was the desire for trainings in areas like website development, marketing, advertising and use of social media platforms. EMM would be able to leverage resources through WEDCO, SBDC, etc. for business advising services, loans, grants, training and assistance.

3. What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?

Phase 1 is \$63,100 and potential funding sources are \$30,000 from a USDA Rural Development Rural Business Development Grant.

**4. Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project?
Select all that apply.**

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5. Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.

Economic Growth: This project will lead to economic growth and development in the region through increased marketing efforts to promote businesses, organizations, events, recreational opportunities, etc. attract visitors from within and outside of the region.

Workforce/Education – Provide resources to entrepreneurs and start-up businesses as well as existing businesses to become well established, increase sales, and hire additional staff.

Community Vibrancy – This project will expand the services currently provided to promote the seven town region to attract locals and visitors alike to support and enjoy what businesses, organizations, events, recreational opportunities, etc. offer.

This initiative improved and enhances the resiliency in the region by not only promoting the region to tourists but to residents alike. So when economic disruptions occur that effect tourism, locals are still able to take advantage of what the region had to offer. The expansion of the EMM project, will improve the regions' ability to recover from the effects of the Covid pandemic.

This initiative is a great example of partnerships & collaboration, because it involves the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, WEDCO, SBDC, business and organizations from within the seven town region all working together.



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Title of Project: Moose Mountains Scenic Byway

Community or Organization Name: Wentworth Economic Development Corp., Inc. (WEDCO)

Contact Person & Title: Denise Roy-Palmer, Executive Director

Phone: (603) 569-4216

E-mail Address: drp@WEDCO-NH.org

Target Implementation Date: 2021-2022 2023-2025 2025+

Current phase: Conceptual Determining Feasibility
 Engineering/Cost Estimates Funding/Implementation

Jobs created as a result of this project (if known): n/a

Is this project within an identified Brownfield site? Yes No

1. Executive Summary (50 words or less)

This project would expand the current Branch River Valley Scenic Byway in the towns of Wakefield & Milton by expanding to a 7 town scenic byway to include the towns of Farmington, Middleton, New Durham, Brookfield and Wolfeboro. The scenic byway name would change to Moose Mountains Scenic Byway. This effort is coordinated with the Explore Moose Mountains initiative to market the region's amenities and attractions to residents and visitors.

2. Project Scope (detailed description of the work ~300 words or less)

The Branch River Valley Scenic Byway was designated as a scenic byway in 1994 for its significant contribution to presenting a complete picture of industrial and tourism development in New Hampshire. The Byway is 14 miles long, and runs through the towns of Milton and Wakefield. The Byway is highlighted by its agricultural, industrial, and tourism heritage features. From the New Hampshire Farm Museum in Milton, to the Heritage Center in Wakefield - the Byway offers a variety of scenic, recreational, cultural, historic, and natural resource attractions.

Link to information about the existing Branch River Valley Scenic Byway:

http://strafford.org/transportation/scenicbyways_branchriver.php

Links for Explore Moose Mountains:

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/TheMooseNH/>

Website - <http://exploremoosemountains.org/>

Current Branch River Valley Scenic Byway Communities

- Milton & Wakefield

Prospective Communities

- Brookfield, Farmington, Middleton & New Durham

Communities Already Part of the neighboring Lakes Region Byway

- Alton & Wolfeboro

Proposed byway expansion will likely coincide with portions of the existing Lakes Region Scenic Byway and include new route linkages in the towns of Alton and Wolfeboro.

General Process Steps

1. Initial meetings with prospective communities
 - a. Assessing support for participation (select/planning board)
2. Follow-up meetings with other committees
 - a. Inventory of local assets for byway and storymap identification
 - i. Archaeological
 - ii. Cultural
 - iii. Historic
 - iv. Natural
 - v. Recreational
 - vi. Scenic
 - b. Develop route for new byway
 - c. Communities select local representative for byway development
3. Update the State Scenic and Cultural Byway Council to explain byway expansion plans
4. Work with all existing and prospective communities to develop and finalize proposal and application to NH Scenic and Cultural Byways Council
 - a. Ideally Ready for Council approval at the next meeting (Needs to be ready one month in advance)
 - b. Storymap can be in development during this time as well. To be used as a marketing tool for the scenic byway and Explore Moose Mountains
5. Following council approval
 - a. Develop Corridor Management Plan (CMP) for the new byway extent (Current CMP for the Branch River SB can be adapted and expanded)
 - i. Formally establishes byway route
 - ii. Complete inventory of assets and sites along byway route
 - iii. Presents plan for preservation and marketing of byway to attract visitors

3. **What is the total project cost (if known) and what are the potential funding sources?**
Project costs is unknown at this time. It will involve StraffordRPC’s involvement as well as Branch River Valley Scenic Byway Committee and WEDCO. If project is successful the strategic marketing plan and maps will need to be updated. Signage design, purchases and installation will be accomplished with volunteers and donations.

4. **Which of the following themes from the Strafford EDD CEDS are relevant to this project? Select all that apply.**

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5. **Please provide a brief narrative (300 words or less) describing how this project relates to the themes selected above.**

Economic Growth: This project will lead to economic growth and development in the region due to the new scenic byway as well as the through increased marketing efforts to promote businesses, organizations, events, recreational opportunities, etc. attract visitors from within and outside of the region.

Community Vibrancy – This project will provide a scenic byway that connects the seven towns in the Moose Mountains Region and will promote the seven town region to attract locals and visitors alike to support and enjoy what businesses, organizations, events, recreational opportunities, etc. the offer.

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Metropolitan Planning Organization

Policy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 18, 2022

9:00 – 11:00 AM

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Hybrid Meeting

Rochester, NH

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1. Introductions

Chair David Landry called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and asked for introductions.

Committee members present: Bill Fisher, Farmington; Tom Crosby, Madbury; Katrin Kasper, Lee; Joe Boudreau, Rochester; Barbara Holstein, Rochester; Mark Richardson, Somersworth; Michael William, COAST, Mike Bobinsky, Somersworth; Glen Davison, DOT; David Landry, Dover;

Committee Members participating remotely: Herb Ueda, Rollinsford; Tim White, DES, Steve Diamond, Barrington. Jeff Donald, COAST/ACT

Staff members present: Jen Czysz, Colin Lentz,

Staff attending remotely: Megan Taylor-Fetter, Rachel Dewey, Nancy OConnor, Shayna Silvia Jackson Rand,

2. Staff Communications

C. Lentz reported that Environmental Planner, Alaina Rogers resigned. C. Lentz stated that she will be missed.

J. Czysz reminded the members that SRPC has begun project solicitation for the Ten-Year Plan. This process starts 2 years in advance J. Czysz asked members to communicate with their communities about projects they would like to get into the queue. Additionally, staff will be presenting the active Transportation Plan; this is two pieces of one solicitation process.

J. Czysz stated that electric vehicle charging is another pool for funding. Staff is working with communities to identify sites.

D. Landry suggested communities contact Colin with any questions or ideas.

3. Action Items

a. Approve Draft Minutes from January 21, 2022

M. Williams **MOVED** to approve the Draft minutes from February 18, 2022. B. Fisher **SECOND**. A vote was taken: B. Fisher, T. Crosby; K. Kasper, B. Holstein; M. Williams; M. Bobinsky, D. Landry; J. Boudreau, M. Richardson **ABSTAIN**, None **OPPOSED**, With A majority of members voting in the affirmative, **MOTION PASSED**.

4. Discussion items

a. Getting public input on regional Active Transportation Plan – draft survey questions

S. Sylvia presented on the draft survey for the active transportation plan. Following her presentation, she asked Policy members for comments.

A discussion ensued concerning trail planning and the difference between direct and scenic routes to an endpoint. Various comments were shared, which will be integrated into the final draft of the survey.

b. Community transportation services and how to coordinate them throughout Southeast NH

Jeff Donald from COAST presented on the many different types of community transportation services offered. He explained these include both public services (such as fixed route buses) and private services (such as taxis, hospital and senior shuttles, volunteer driver programs, and vans that churches or community organizations own and operate). J. Donald provided information on how communities can help. SRPC, RPC, and ACT will be working to update a regional plan for community transportation coordination over the coming months

A discussion ensued about community transportation services in the region. Members provided input on goals for the plan.

This recording of this meeting and presentation will be available to view on the SRPC YouTube site; the link is accessible on the SRPC website.

5. Other Business & Update from Staff

C. Lentz touched briefly on EV charging funding opportunities becoming available soon. He added that we want to be as ready as possible when funding becomes

available later this year. SRPC will be sending out a questionnaire to compile potential locations for EV chargers. If communities have sites in mind, they should contact him.

C. Commissioner Roundtable

There was no input from the members.

D. Citizens Forum

No citizens attending

E. Adjournment

M Bobinsky **MOVED** to adjourn **SECONDED** by P. Nelson **SECOND**. A roll call vote was taken: T, Crosby, P. Nelson, M. Bobinsky, K. Kasper, P. Nelson, D. Landry, B. Holstein, T. White, G. Davison, M. Williams, B. Fisher, S. Pesci L. Williams **IN FAVOR**. None **OPPOSED**. **MOTION PASSED**

2022 Legislation relevant to Strafford MPO/RPC

	Title and Description	Hearing information	Notes
Transportation	HB2022 – relative to the State Ten Year Plan Link to bill docket	03/17/2022 and to (Senate) Transportation	Written testimony submitted; regional priorities as previously established. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRPC in support; lots of good projects, project advancements through IJJA/BIL funding; anything to add to the regional priorities? • NHMA does not explicitly address or endorse the TYP
	SB437 – increase local option fee from \$5 to \$15 Link to bill docket	Ways & Means Committee report (2/23/2022): Inexpedient to legislate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff support this bill, • would be optional for municipalities; • could be a potential source for local transit match which will be needed to take advantage of increased federal funding • NHMA explicitly supports this bill
	SB447 - establishes the electric vehicle and infrastructure fund within NHDOT Link to bill docket	03/31/2022 referred to (House) Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff support this bill • On previous revenue bills, SRPC advocated for new revenue generation alternatives to the road toll (gas tax). New approaches should be equitable and should not discourage adoption of new technologies and vehicles with low or no emissions • DES is supportive – waiting for FHWA guidance
	HB1040 – establish commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for EVs and hybrids Link to bill docket	Ought to Pass with Amendment 03/31/2022	Similar bill in 2020; no specific position from SRPC, but testified in support of finding new revenue sources. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff neutral on specific bill. • On previous revenue bills, SRPC advocated for new revenue generation alternatives to the road toll (gas tax). New approaches should be equitable and should not discourage adoption of new technologies and vehicles with low or no emissions. • No specific comment from NHMA. They support “adequate and sustainable funding for state and municipal infrastructure and transportation systems”
	HB1656 – road usage registration fee based on VMT and weight Link to bill docket	(02/17/2022) – laid on table	Similar bill in 2020; no specific position from SRPC, but testified in support of finding new revenue sources. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff neutral on specific bill. • On previous revenue bills, SRPC advocated for new revenue generation alternatives to the road toll (gas tax). New approaches should be

		<p>equitable and should not discourage adoption of new technologies and vehicles with low or no emissions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific comment from NHMA. They support “adequate and sustainable funding for state and municipal infrastructure and transportation systems”
<p>HB1665 – establishing a municipal road and bridge disaster relief fund.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under Dept. HSEM • Gap funding for damaged roads and bridges • Municipalities wishing to draw from the fund must dedicate .5% of muni budget • Only draw from fund if damage cost is greater than local budget <p>Link to bill docket</p>	<p>Interim Study: 03/31/2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similar in spirit to our regional resilience strategy being developed. Except this program would be reactive. • Do you think your municipality would potentially consider participating? • What would impact be on your local budget? • No direct input from NHMA on this bill, but they support “legislation... that builds community resilience, and fosters adaptation to climate change and mitigates its risks.”
<p>HB1675 – extra \$.50 for electric vehicles through all NH turnpike tolls (as in RSA 237:16-a, III)</p> <p>Link to bill docket</p>	<p>Committee vote: Inexpedient to legislate Referred to Ways and Means 02/16/2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff neutral on specific bill. From the hearing: there are logistical barriers to implementation. • On previous revenue bills, SRPC advocated for new revenue generation alternatives to the road toll (gas tax). New approaches should be equitable and should not discourage adoption of new technologies and vehicles with low or no emissions. • No specific comment from NHMA. They support “adequate and sustainable funding for state and municipal infrastructure and transportation systems”
<p>HB1426 – eliminate requirement for annual private vehicle inspections. Applies to vehicles not used for business.</p> <p>Link to bill docket</p>	<p>House Transportation Executive Session 03/01/2022: Inexpedient to Legislate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff not in support; unsafe vehicles are a danger on public highways. Absolves vehicle retailers of safety of vehicles they sell. • Recommend just tracking if bill passes cross-over date
<p>HB1432 - prohibiting the use of state funds for new passenger rail projects.</p> <p>Link to bill docket</p>	<p>03/17/2022 Referred to Transportation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff not in support. • Passenger rail receives no state investment; • passenger and freight rail are at capacity on SE PanAm line; sale to CSX hopeful; affects NHN; a lot of work could be done but need state support to match federal dollars.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHMA does not address this bill specifically, but supports “adequate and sustainable funding for state and municipal infrastructure and transportation systems”
91-A & meetings	<p>HB1014— quorum requirements for public meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical location not required • Still required to give public notice of “location” and access options <p>Link to bill docket</p>	3/16/2022 laid on table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tied to 91-A. • Could have significant impact on MPO/RPC governance and participation. • Based on experience during the pandemic emergency status, participation in meetings would increase because of this bill; reason shall be stated in the minutes. • NHMA does not take a specific position on this bill but has heard from many municipalities that they are struggling to attain an in-person quorum for public meetings and need more flexibility. NHMA emphasizes the need to retain the purpose of RSA 91-A – to ensure the greatest possible public access to records of public bodies and to ensure government accountability.
	<p>SB344 - Eliminates physical quorum requirement</p> <p>Link to bill docket</p>	3/31/2022 – referred to House Judiciary Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tied to 91-A. • Could have significant impact on MPO/RPC governance and participation. • Still requires minimum of ¼ of total membership to attend in person • Member may attend virtually “only when... not reasonably practical” [what are parameters for reasonableness?] reason shall be stated in the minutes. • NHMA does not take a specific position on this bill but has heard from many municipalities that they are struggling to attain an in-person quorum for public meetings and need more flexibility. NHMA emphasizes the need to retain the purpose of RSA 91-A – to ensure the greatest possible public access to records of public bodies and to ensure government accountability.

	<p>SB322 – Except in emergency, ¼ of current members must be physically present for meeting In emergency, at least one member physically present Link to bill docket</p>	<p>Committee report: Referred to Interim Study 2/24/2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tied to 91-A.• Seems to mostly create a minimum flat quorum requirement.• Could have significant impact on MPO/RPC governance and participation.• Member may attend virtually “only when... not reasonably practical” [what are parameters for reasonableness?] reason shall be stated in the minutes.• Chair can determine “emergency” (imminent action needed and not reasonable for quorum [1/4 of body] to attend physical location.• NHMA does not take a specific position on this bill, but has heard from many municipalities that they are struggling to attain an in-person quorum for public meetings and need more flexibility. NHMA emphasizes the need to retain the purpose of RSA 91-A – to ensure the greatest possible public access to records of public bodies and to ensure government accountability.
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