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**Monday, June 12, 2023**

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## **VT CHEP DISTRICTS HIGHLIGHT**

### **Rutland District County Pride - Community Project**

[Rutland County Pride](#), a community project in the Rutland District, is hosting this upcoming Pride Festival.

# RUTLAND COUNTY PRIDE FESTIVAL



## LIVE OUT LOUD

Vendors - Live Music  
Speakers - Food  
Drag Performers  
Games - Prizes  
- and more -

SATURDAY JUNE 17TH  
9AM - 5PM

Center Street, Rutland, VT  
(Between Merchants Row and Wales Street)



[RCPride.org](http://RCPride.org)



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**White River Junction District  
Queer Prom - Community Project**



On Saturday, May 13th, Woodstock Union High School/Middle School's Queer Straight Alliance club successfully hosted a Queer Prom for schools all across VT. Held at the Killington Grand Hotel, the event was a smash hit, drawing students from QSA/GSA clubs from 16 different high schools and middle schools across VT.

The evening was notable for an exultant, celebratory feeling, as students mingled, danced, and sang together. There was a profound feeling of belonging and acceptance, and students were able to be fully themselves in a safe and supportive space.

This event was made possible with support from the VT CHEP.

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**Learn More About ALL of the VT CHEP Funded  
Community Projects**

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## VT CHEP ACTIVITIES

### **Upcoming Virtual Workshops!**

*The audience intended for this workshop is all VT CHEP partners statewide.*

Workshop

# Participatory Grant Making: Centering HE with Grassroots Fund

Sarah Huang and Bart Westdijk,  
The Grassroots Fund

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**Thursday, June 22, 2023**

**9-10:30am & 4:30-6pm**

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*Open to all VT CHEP partners statewide*

Join Sarah Huang and Bart Westdijk from the Grassroots Fund to learn about how to center equity when involved in grant making for our communities.

**Register for June 22nd Here!**

Workshop Series

# Writing Compelling Grant Proposals:

## A peer-to-peer learning cohort

with John Killacky

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**Tuesday, July 11: 10am - 12pm**

**Tuesday, July 18: 10am - 12pm**

**Tuesday, July 25: 10am - 12pm**

In addition to the 3-part workshop series for the month of July, John will offer registrants one-on-one support sessions from 10am - 12pm on Thursdays, July 13, 20, 27. The link to register for these sessions will be shared once registration is finalized.

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*Open to VT CHEP partners statewide.*

Registration is limited and closes on Friday, June 16.

## Registration Deadline this Friday!

[Register for July Series Here!](#)

[Find Instructions Here](#)

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# FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



## Samara Fund

The Samara Fund is a community-directed fund that helps ensure lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) Vermonters are connected, healthy, appreciated, safe, and empowered. We make grants and scholarships annually based on recommendations from committees of LGBTQ+ volunteers from around the state.

Our values guide how we fund. We offer five distinct types of funding:

1. General organizational support
2. Project-specific support to organizations
3. Emergent (unplanned) needs for organizations
4. Sponsorship of queer events
5. Scholarships for LGBTQ+ high school students committed to positive change for LGBTQ+ people who seek to enroll at a four-year college or university, a career or technical college, or a vocational program

**Applications for general and project-specific grants will be accepted between June 29, 2023 and August 31, 2023.**

**Applications must be received by 5PM on Thursday, August 31, 2023 to be considered.**

**Notifications and awards will be sent to applicants in October 2023.**

If you have any questions, contact Elisabeth Marx at [emarx@vermontcf.org](mailto:emarx@vermontcf.org).

[Learn More](#)

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## Addison County, Brandon, and Statewide Funding Available through the Walter Cerf Community Fund

The Walter Cerf Community Fund makes grants to address charitable needs in the state of Vermont. Priority interests are the arts, education, historic preservation, and social services. Organizations are invited to request program/project support or general operating support.

Grants are made to organizations that either have a statewide constituency and make a unique contribution to Vermont, or are located in Addison County or Brandon. Approximately 70% of funds available will be awarded to programs and projects in the Addison County/Brandon area; the remaining 30% of available funds will support statewide programs and projects.

**Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.**

**Grants \$500 - \$5,000; Large up to \$25,000** (Organizations must be serving Addison County or Brandon to be eligible to apply for the large grant.)

[Learn More and Apply](#)

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## EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES





## **Juneteenth Celebrations in VT VT League of Cities and Towns Listing**

[Learn More](#)

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PRIDE CENTER OF VERMONT

# Your Pride Center

Pride Center of Vermont (PCVT) is the region's most comprehensive community center dedicated to advancing community and the health and safety of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Vermonters.

## **Pride Month Events in VT Pride Center of VT**

## Upcoming Events

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## Connect & Learn at Nonprofit Summer Camp

**Thursday, July 13th, 20th and 27th**

Common Good VT is excited to announce that registration is now open for 2023 Nonprofit Summer Camp! This virtual nonprofit learning series is the perfect professional development boost and chance to connect with your peers during these slow(er) summer days.

We have a stellar lineup with something for everyone - from fundraising, to governance, to navigating change, this is an opportunity to build the skillset of your whole team!

Join us Thursday July 13th, 20th, and 27th by registering for sessions a-la-carte or for the whole series (save over 30% with the Summer Camp Pass!). Can't make it live? All sessions will be recorded for you to watch at your convenience.

**Details and Registration**

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## **Maquam Bay of Missisquoi/Abenaki Nation of Missisquoi to begin drumming program to address mental health and substance use disorders**

Maquam Bay of Missisquoi (MBM ) was recently awarded \$30,000 from the Vermont Department of Health as part of its Rural Pilots to Address Mental Health and Substance Use Disparities grant program. The funding will allow MBM to develop monthly drumming programs for the community in an effort to combat the stigma around mental health issues and substance use disorders by bringing community together using culturally significant means and allowing MBM to build trust and authenticity while combating two serious conditions facing the community it serves. The program will begin this summer and continue until May 2024.

### **Upcoming Events for Maquam Bay of Missisquoi**

#### **Totem Pole Dedication**

June 24, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. until 12 p.m.  
Swanton Park (Swanton, Vermont)

#### **Abenaki Wellness Event**

June 24, 2023, 12-3 p.m.  
Abenaki Tribal Offices (100 Grand Ave., Swanton, VT)

#### **COVID Clinic**

June 26, 2023, 4-6 p.m.  
Abenaki Tribal Offices (100 Grand Ave., Swanton, VT)

[More Information](#)



## Juneteenth 2023 Celebration at Clemmons Farm

**Sunday, June 18th, 9am - 4pm**

**Monday, June 19th, 10am - 3pm**

Celebrate Juneteenth with us as we come together to honor Black culture, history, and resilience. Our event will feature live music and a marketplace showcasing arts and crafts made by members of the Vermont African-African/African Diaspora Network.

We'll also have a variety of activities for all ages, including community co-creation art projects, free soul food boxed lunch samples, music, and more.

This is a free event but participation is limited to a maximum of 75 attendees per day to intentionally ensure a small, friendly, community-building environment with quality interactions. Please see additional information below on our admission policy.

Register now to secure your spot and join us in Freestyling Our Futures!

\*Please note: Programs are subject to change.  
Programs may be cancelled in the event of rain.

Main parking: 2213 Greenbush Road, Charlotte, VT

[More Information](#)



## The Richard Kemp Center Juneteenth 2023 Open House

**Saturday, June 17th, 1 - 6pm**

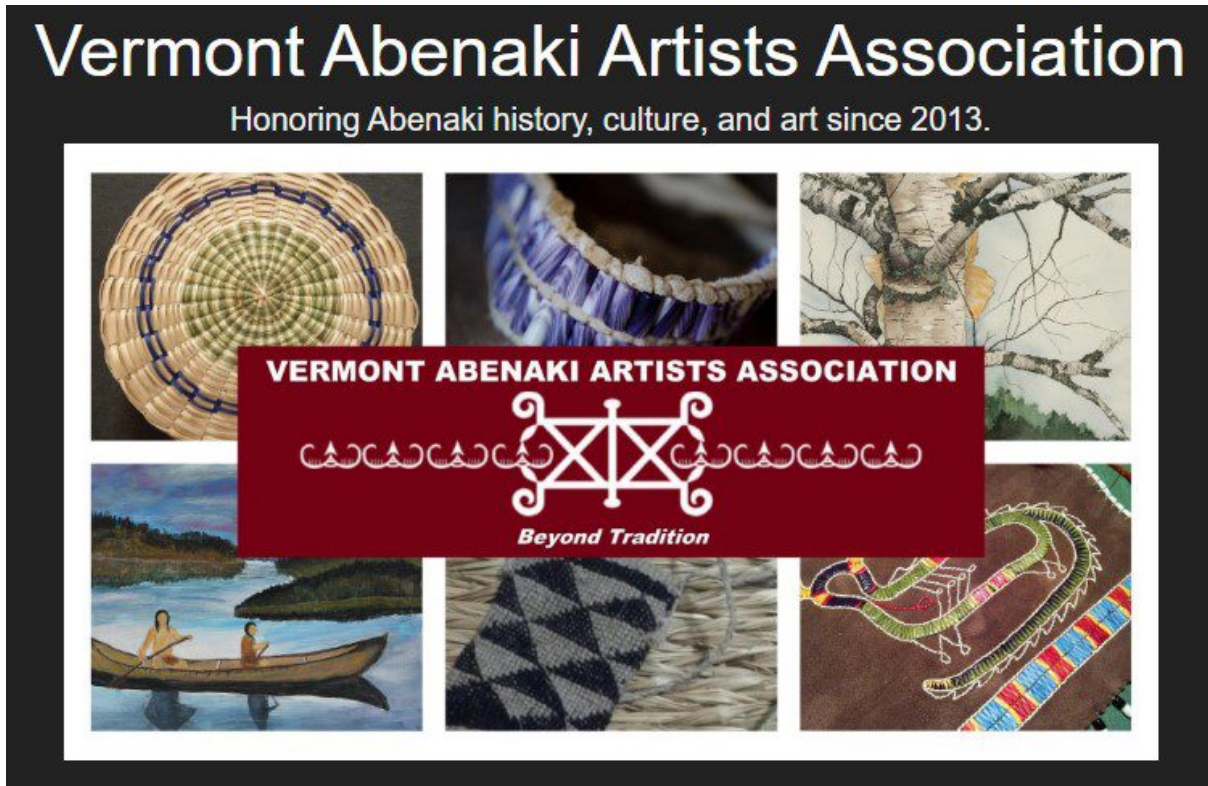
Join us at the Richard Kemp Center to celebrate our story, our power  
and our resilience.

### **Activities**

Food and Beverages  
Raffle Prizes  
Old R & B Music  
Presentations  
Free Haircuts

372 N. Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT

[Learn More](#)



## 2023 Abenaki Heritage Weekend

**Saturday, June 17th and Sunday, June 18th**

Join the Native American community at the Abenaki Heritage Weekend on June 17 and 18 at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum to explore and learn about the Abenaki perspective on life in the Champlain Valley. Activities include several workshops, presentations, drumming, and singing.

This heritage weekend brings together citizens of the Elnu Tribe, the Nulhegan Band, the Koasek Band, and the Missisquoi Tribe. It is presented by the Vermont Abenaki Artists Association and the Abenaki Arts & Education Center, and hosted by the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum.

Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, 4472 Basin Harbor Rd, Vergennes

Learn More



## PHEARLESS

[Public Health Regenerative Leadership Synergy](#) (PHEARLESS), a new grant and professional development opportunity for community leaders and public health leaders who are working together to promote health and equity in the local context.

**Applications Due July 6, 2023**

Learn More



## Collective Healing: Breaking the Cycle of White Supremacy Webinar Series

**July 12 - July 14, 2023  
2pm-4pm**

During this highly interactive multi-part training, participants will collectively look at how to break the cycle of white supremacy and take practical and sustained action towards equity.

Learn More and Register



## Accounting + Admin Series: How to Prepare for an Audit

**Thursday, July 13, 2023  
3pm - 4pm**

Do you need a financial statement audit, but have questions on how to best prepare for one?

[Learn More and Register](#)

RODDENBERRY  
FELLOWSHIP



## RELATIONSHIPS ARE REVOLUTIONARY

At the core of the Roddenberry Fellowship is the belief that we can solve today's most pressing issues through deeper connections and smarter networks.

**Application Due June 23, 2023**

[Learn More and Apply](#)

# Candid.

Learning

MINNESOTA  
COUNCIL OF  
NONPROFITS

CommonGood  
VERMONT

## Digital Storytelling: How to Engage and Activate Your

## Taking Up Space: The Roots and Implications of Sizeism



## Supporters Online

In a world in which people increasingly learn, socialize, and work online, nonprofit organizations seeking to engage existing and prospective supporters must be able to do so through effective digital storytelling.

*Recorded Webinar  
Must enroll to watch*

Learn More



## Re-engaging Volunteers: Transforming Disruption to Impact

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023  
9:30am - 11:30 am**

For generations, engaging volunteers has been a vital strategy for communities to solve problems.

Learn More and Register

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

*Live Webinar*

Learn More and Register



## Self Aware Leader

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023  
11am - 12pm**

Explore your identity and the intersection between your identity, blind spots, and leadership style.

Learn More and Register



## Beginner Grantseeking

**Tuesday, July 18, 2023  
2pm - 5pm**

Where does the grantseeking process start? How do you find funders interested in your organization and your programs? There are proven tactics for finding funders that are a good fit for your organization—and plentiful resources online—many of them free!

[Learn More and Register](#)



## Intermediary Grantwriting

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023  
2pm - 5pm**

Many people who work in nonprofits find themselves in the position of “accidental grantwriter” and do not feel fully equipped for the challenge.

*Webinar*

[Learn More and Register](#)



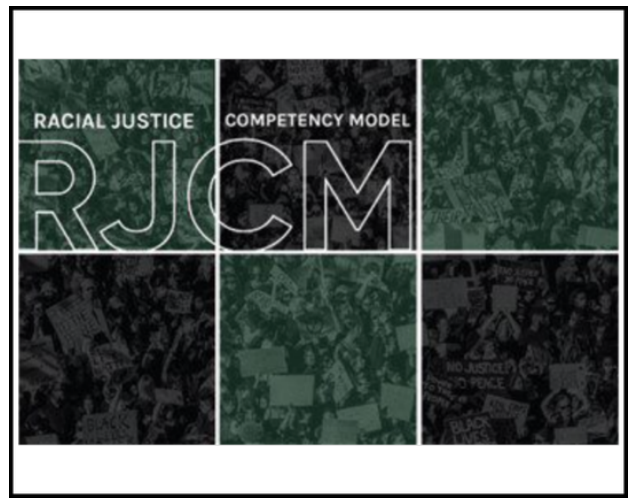
## **VT Council on Rural Development Legislative**

### **Roundup!**

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023  
10am**

This workshop will share key highlights from the 2023 session and how your community can connect to potential opportunities that may emerge in the year ahead.

[Register](#)



## **Racial Justice Competency Model**

The Public Health Training Centers Network and the National Network of Public Health Institutes are seeking public health organizations to pilot test the Racial Justice Competency Model for Public Health Professionals.

Increase the skills and knowledge necessary to address systemic racism and promote health equity.

**Application Due June 30, 2023**

[Learn More](#)



**Save the Date:  
VT Community Leadership  
Summit**

**Tuesday, August 15th**  
*VT Technical College, Randolph*

[Learn More](#)

**Cultural Community Action &  
Engagement for Nonprofit Staff  
and Boards**

**Tuesday, June 20th**  
**10:30am - 12:30pm**

*Webinar*

[Learn More and Register](#)



## The Poetry Experience

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday  
1pm - 3pm

Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, VT

[Download PDF](#)

## Introduction to Collective Impact and the Backbone Role

June 21 - June 22, 2023

*Course*

[Learn More and Register](#)



## ‘More than a Checkbox’: How Public Health Training Centers Are Advancing Racial Justice

In addition to other county and city leaders, policymakers from seven states and the District of Columbia have formally highlighted racism as a public health crisis or emergency. This spotlight can directly lead to increased attention, funding, and innovation needed to address the root causes of racism.

*Resource*

## Data and Learning in Collective Impact

July 11 and July 13, 2023

While shared measurement is an important component of the data activities of collective impact efforts, it is but one aspect of the data landscape and may divert attention from equally important data-related activities.

*Webinar Series*

[Learn More and Register](#)

[Read the Article](#)

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collaborative?

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