



VOREC Community Grant Program

2021 Recommendations



2021 VOREC Community Grant Program (VCGP)



One-time State
General Funding



\$5 Million
Available



Grants executed by
June 2022



COVID Economic
Relief Focus

VCGP Advisory Committee

- FPR, Fish and Wildlife, ACCD and VOREC/VOBA representatives
- Met three times
- Really cool and fun people



Big Ideas

Recommendation 1

Set grant minimum for \$50,000 with no maximum

Recommendation 2

Expand eligibility to include nonprofits

- Must demonstrate community support and include municipal team member(s)

Recommendation 3

Fund up to 25 grants across the state in several “buckets”

- Consideration for equity, regional/multi-community efforts as well as local/smaller efforts

Recommendation 4

Implement a 2-step Letter of Interest and Application Invitation Process

- Provide technical, matchmaking and grant writing support

Recommendation 5

Provide non-reimbursement based/up front funding to grantees