



Vermont 250th Strategies & Themes

Projects funded with Vermont 250th Community Planning Grants must align with at least one of the following strategies outlined in the [Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission Strategic Plan](#) (adopted on December 13, 2022) and/or one of the theme's outlined in the [Governor's Executive Order](#) (2020) that created the Vermont's 250th Anniversary Commission.

- Increase relevance of 250th history by expanding the historical narrative to include a greater diversity of perspectives and experiences.
- Utilize resources from other states and past commemorations.
- Connect national history to regional and local levels and include local communities, arts and cultural institutions, historical societies, and state and local governments.
- Develop programming that relates to pressing public issues.
- Promote arts and cultural heritage.
- Increase school participation or provide organizations and teachers with relevant content.
- Increase public awareness of 250th commemorations.
- Relate to the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the formation of the United States of America.
- Highlight the role of Vermont's military experience during the Revolutionary War.
- Highlight the role Vermonters played in the American Revolution, and give voice to the many different ways in which diverse Vermonters experienced the time period and were impacted by its legacy.
- Encourage Americans to remember our past, celebrate the present, and look forward to a promising future.