

NBRC 2024 Catalyst Program Public Information Session

The Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) is pleased to announce preliminary details of how eligible communities can apply for the \$50 million in funding that will be available through the 2024 Catalyst Program. The Catalyst Program supports a broad range of economic development activities that create economic opportunity for residents in rural places across Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont. These federal resources will be competitively awarded through two funding rounds ending on **March 15, 2024** (Round 1) and **September 6, 2024** (Round 2). Interested applicants can access a program overview, eligibility information, and upcoming information session details on [NBRC's website](#).

A public information session for Cheshire County entities interested in applying for NBRC funding will be held on February 14, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in Delegation Hall at the Historic Cheshire County Courthouse, 12 Court Street in Keene. The session will be led by Program Manager Steve Fortier of the NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs and co-sponsored by Cheshire County, the Southwest Region Planning Commission and the Monadnock Economic Development Corporation. Local organizations with interest in the program are encouraged to attend.

Inquiries concerning suitability and integration with economic development priorities should be directed to Program Manager Steve Fortier at 603-271-6305 or steven.j.fortier@livefree.nh.gov. Questions about eligibility and the pre-application or application itself should be directed to the NBRC's Catalyst Program Director, Adrienne Harrison, at aharrison@nbrc.gov or 603-369-3001. The funds for this program, and all NBRC programs, are available thanks to the support of the Congressional Delegations of all four NBRC states: Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont.

