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**Fwd: Special Water Bottle Filling Station Grant from Green Up Vermont**

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To: Josh Arneson Town Manager &lt;jarneson@richmondvt.gov&gt;, Kathy Daub Stearns &lt;kdaubstearns@richmondvt.gov&gt;

can we apply for this project?

Linda

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From: **Kate Alberghini** <[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)>

Date: Mon, Nov 1, 2021 at 1:57 PM

Subject: Special Water Bottle Filling Station Grant from Green Up Vermont

To: [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org) <[greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)>

Hello,

As a wonderful part of Vermont I am pleased to bring your community an opportunity to help Vermonters reduce waste and expand our ongoing mission of environmental stewardship.

**Green Up Vermont is proud to be facilitating a grant program for Water Bottle Filling Stations.** 30 units will be awarded throughout the state and all it takes to apply is a little time to fill out the attached application (fillable pdf). Awardees of the Grants will receive an Elkay Water Refill Station and up to \$1,000 toward installation costs.

**The Application deadline is December 15 and the awards will be announced by December 31.**

If you have any questions that are not answered by the attached info sheet and application you are always welcome to call Kate at the Green Up Vermont office 802-522-7245 or email [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org).

Thank you very much. I hope you take advantage of this great opportunity.

Kindly

Kate Alberghini, Executive Director

Green Up Vermont

2022 Green Up Day is Saturday May 7

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# WAIT

Before you open that bottle of water or other beverage, take a look at what is really happening!

**1,000**  
people open a  
bottle of water  
**every second**  
of the day in  
the U.S.

The  
**average**  
**person** uses  
**156**  
plastic bottles  
**per year.**

A water bottle  
**25% full**  
is the amount of  
**oil it takes**  
to produce  
the bottle.

**60 million**  
plastic water  
bottles are discarded  
**every day**  
in America.

**40,000**  
18-wheeled trucks  
are used  
**every week**  
to deliver bottled  
water across  
the U.S.

It can take  
**300 years**  
for a plastic bottle to  
fragment, and it still  
**never**  
**disappears.**

**91%**  
of the world's  
plastic bottles are  
**NOT**  
**recycled.**

**25 million**  
**TONS**  
of plastic packaging  
ends up in our  
oceans every  
year.

By **2030** we will be pouring the equivalent of **two garbage trucks of plastic** into the ocean **every minute**, and **four per minute** if the planet reaches **2050**.

## We can do something to change this!

The main solution to water bottle pollution is to reduce our use of plastic, which means:

1. Changing our everyday habits by using reusable stainless steel water bottles and filling stations.
2. Help raise awareness, by telling friends and family about the impact plastic bottles are having.
3. Make sure you recycle. Whether you use one, or see one on the ground, pick it up and recycle it.



## Green Up Vermont is excited to facilitate a special Water Bottle Refill Station Grant Program

**30 Elkay filling stations and up to \$1,000 for installation will be awarded to recipients across VT.**

**Fill out the application and email to: [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)**

**Application Deadline is Dec. 15**

**Grant recipients will be announced by Dec. 31**

**Contact Green Up Vermont with any questions: [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org) or 802-522-7245**

Funding for the water bottle stations is from a Supplementary Environmental Project (SEP) paid for by the Chittenden Solid Waste District. The SEP was a result of an agreed upon settlement between the State of Vermont and CSWD for using recycled glass on projects that the State deemed in violation of their policy.



*Green Up Vermont's mission is to promote the stewardship of our state's natural landscape and waterways and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green Up Day and raising public awareness about the benefits of a litter-free environment.*

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**[www.greenupvermont.org](http://www.greenupvermont.org)**

**“THE GREATEST THREAT TO OUR  
PLANET IS THE BELIEF THAT  
SOMEONE ELSE WILL SAVE IT”**

~ Robert Swan, Explorer

# Water Bottle Refill Station Grant Application

Please fill out the application and email to: [greenup@greenupvermont.org](mailto:greenup@greenupvermont.org)

Application Deadline is Dec. 15, 2021 • Grant recipients will be announced by Dec. 31, 2021

Name of Applicant: Town of Richmond Date: 11/24/21  
Email: jarneson@richmondvt.gov Phone: 802-434-5170

Name and address of facility where filling station would be installed:

Richmond Free Library  
201 Bridge St, Richmond, VT 05477

Please describe your facility:

Municipal library providing materials and programs for all ages, work and tutoring spaces, and public assembly space.

Is your facility open year round? Yes If not, how many months per year is it open? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the facility open to the public? Yes Or a specific audience? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the audience your facility serves:

The library serves the Town of Richmond and some surrounding communities.

How many people utilize the facility where the unit would be installed? 2,000  Daily  Weekly  Monthly

What is the age range of those who frequent the facility? All ages, 0-100+ years

Do you currently have a functioning water fountain or filling station?  Yes  No

Would you be interested in an indoor unit or an outdoor unit?  Indoor  Outdoor

Do you currently promote recycling of single use plastic drink containers? Yes. Recycling bins are available

If chosen how would you promote the use of the water bottle filling station?

We would promote the filling station with signage, news announcements and a prominent location.

Please tell us why you are interested in a water bottle filling station for your facility:

We are currently looking into providing a water fountain and bottle filling station so patrons do not have to use

the sink in the bathrooms for water. Also, many patrons already carry personal water bottles.  
TERMS OF APPLICATION: There will be a pre-count requirement of single use plastic drink bottles being used/recycled at your facility prior to installation of the filling station if you are chosen for this program. After installation we will ask you to do another count of the single use plastic bottles to show the effectiveness of installing the unit at your facility. If chosen for this grant your facility will receive the filling station unit and up to \$1,000 for the initial installation costs of the unit. Your facility will own the unit and further be responsible for any installation costs above the \$1,000 and all upkeep expenses including filters and maintenance going forward. The awarded facility will assume all responsibility and any risk associated with the filling station and will hold harmless Green Up Vermont, CSWD and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources from any claims and/or litigation arising out of your facility's actions in connection with the Water Bottle Filling Station Grant Program.

By applying for this grant as outlined you agree to the above terms on behalf of your facility.

Applicant signature Josh [Signature] Date 11/30/21