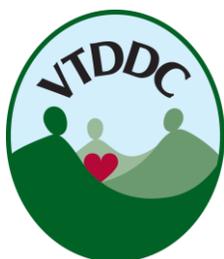


# Scholarships for Individuals and Families



## VT DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

*The Mission of VTDDC is to help build connections and supports that bring people with developmental disabilities and their families into the  of Vermont communities.*

The Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council is a state-wide board that works to increase public awareness about critical issues affecting people with developmental disabilities and their families. 14 of its 23 members are self-advocates and family members.

The purpose of these grants is to support experiences that will enhance knowledge about specific disabilities and the disability movement, grow leadership skills, increase people's ability to advocate for themselves and others, and to realize their potential to be full participants in communities.

VTDDC provides a limited number of grants of up to **\$500** to individuals with developmental disabilities and family members to support attendance at conferences, trainings or other disability-related events.

- Funding requests are accepted throughout the year.
- Applications should be received by VTDDC one month before the activity.
- Be sure to explain why it's important to attend and how the experience and information will be shared with others.
- Funding will be provided after the event. You will need to submit original receipts (e.g., travel, meals, lodging, and registration fees).
- When multiple requests are received to support attendance at the same conference, the Executive Committee may grant a lump sum to the appropriate organization to distribute as scholarships.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- Scholarships will not be available to the same person two years in a row.
- Direct services CANNOT be funded (such as individual participation in a social skills group or summer camp).
- Educational activities for credit CANNOT be funded (such as college classes and continuing education courses).

Call us at (802) 828-1310 or toll-free at (888) 317-2006 for more information.

You can also check our web-site at [www.ddc.vermont.gov](http://www.ddc.vermont.gov)

# VTDDC Executive Committee Fund Scholarship Grant Application

## Requests Up to \$500 for Individuals and Families

<b>Name(s)</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Address</b>			
<b>Phone(s)</b>			
<b>E-Mail</b>			

<b>Amount Requested</b>	
<b>Event and Event Date</b>	

**VTDDC follows the federal definition of developmental disability:**  
*A disability that begins before age 22 that substantially affects three or more activities of daily life such as self-care, communication, movement, learning, self-direction, independent living, and employment.*

**Are you a person with a developmental disability?**  
 Yes     No

*Please describe your disability:*

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**Are you an immediate family member of a person with a developmental disability?**  
 Yes     No

*Describe how you're related and your family member's disability:*

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**Describe the event that you'd like to attend and where it's taking place:  
Please attach any paperwork you have on the event -- Brochure, flyer, etc.**

**Why do you think this experience is important for you to attend?**

**Please give a breakdown of what it will cost to attend.**

<b>Expense Name</b>	<b>Expense Cost</b>	<b>What you can Contribute</b>	<b>Request from VTDDC</b>
<b>Registration</b>			
<b>Air Fare</b>			
<b>Other travel</b>			
<b>Meals</b>			
<b>Other:</b>			
<b>Other:</b>			
<b>Column Total</b>			

**Have you requested assistance from other sources?**

<b>Where and when?</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Amount Received</b>

**How will you share with others your experience and what you learned?**

**How did you hear about funding from the VTDDC?**

Please note that VTDDC does not provide payment in advance. It pays people back for funds they spend. If your request is approved, you will need to send receipts and a short written report. We will send you information about any other requirements (for example: photos and surveys). We will also need your social security number, required by the State of Vermont, in order to make payment.

**I accept these conditions if I am awarded a grant.**

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**Signature of Applicant**

**Date**

**Please sign and mail completed application to:**

VT Developmental Disabilities Council  
103 South Main Street  
One North, Suite 117  
Waterbury, VT 05671-0206