

USDA Rural Development has approved a grant of \$69,250

Program:	Rural Business Development Grants
State/County:	VT / Windham
Representative:	Becca Balint (VT01)
Senators:	Bernie Sanders (VT);Peter Welch (VT)
Recipient:	ROCKINGHAM FOR PROGRESS, INC.
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Project Description:	This Rural Development investment will be used to provide technical assistance to Rockingham for Progress Inc. for the purpose of renovating and restoring the Miss Bellows Falls Diner. The architectural design and engineering plans supported by this grant will enable the historic diner, a fixture in the Bellows Falls community since 1942, to reopen after closing in 2020. In 1983 it was added to the National Register of Historic Places, only the second diner to be recognized in that way. Once reopened, the equivalent of six full-time jobs will have been created.
Lender:	Not Applicable
Jobs Created:	6
Additional Funding:	\$30,750
Total Project Cost:	\$100,000