



FirstLight

FirstLight Sustains: 2024 Grant Application

Organization Overview

Name of Organization:

Legal Name, if different:

Mailing Address:

City, State and Zip Code:

Contact Name/Title:

Email Address:

Phone:

Federal Tax Status:

Federal Tax ID Number:

Number of years in existence:

Which FirstLight communities do you serve? (List all)¹

¹ FirstLight communities include:

Connecticut: Bridgewater, Brookfield, Canaan, Colebrook, Danbury, Franklin, Kent, Lisbon, Litchfield, Monroe, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, North Canaan, Norwich, Oxford, Preston, Roxbury, Salisbury, Scotland, Sherman, Southbury, Sprague, Winchester, Windham

Massachusetts: Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Montague, Northfield

Pennsylvania: Communities in Armstrong County

Organization Details

Please briefly describe your organization's mission and goals:

Are any FirstLight employees involved in your organization (including officers or board members and families)?
If so, please list names and relationship to organization.

Grant Request

Dollar amount requested:

Total amount needed to fund project:

Funding pledges already received:

Will the FirstLight Program grant fill matching fund requirements?

Describe in detail the purpose or project that will be funded by this grant, and the schedule for using the funding (note all 2024 grants must be used by Dec 2025):

How does this grant request meet the FirstLight Sustains program priorities of supporting Community Building or Climate Action & Education?

Authority and Signature: The undersigned certifies they are authorized to complete this application, and the information contained therein is accurate to their knowledge. If a grant is awarded, it will be used only for the purpose listed in this grant application. Applicant agrees to provide FirstLight a summary (one-page) writeup and media files (pictures or videos) documenting the use of the grant, and to engage with FirstLight in joint public relations efforts regarding the use of the grant.

Signature: _____

Name and Title:

Date:

Additional Required Attachments

1. IRS W-9 Form
2. IRS determination letter certifying status, if applicable.
3. If the grant is for a specific project, provide detailed budget for project, including income and expenses.
4. If extra space is needed to complete the application please attach all accompanying pages with corresponding questions listed in the document. If you cannot fit all descriptions in the supplied boxes you may submit additional pages as an attachment.

Submittal Process

FirstLight prefers that applicants email their applications, with all required attachments, to: Andy.Brydges@firstlight.energy

Alternatively, applicants may print the completed application, attach the other required information, sign and mail to:

FirstLight Sustains Program, Attn: Andy Brydges, Director of Community Relations
FirstLight Power
99 Millers Falls Road
Northfield, MA 01360

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by FirstLight, and all awards are made at the discretion of FirstLight. Applications are evaluated in the following areas:

- **Alignment with FirstLight Sustains Goals** – Project outcomes or activities clearly align with the grant program’s focus on Community Building and/or Climate Action and Education.
- **Feasibility** – Projects are feasible and requested funds are adequate and timeline is appropriate for expected project completion by December 2025.
- **Justification** – Projects address a specific community need and have a strong rationale and/or significance.
- **Innovation** – Projects represent the implementation of a new insight or idea, with potential benefits made clear.
- **Maintainable/Sustainable** – Application identifies a plan, including funding or community commitments, to maintain/sustain the activities funded by the grant into the future.
- **Community Collaboration** – Project involves a variety of community participants that will be active in executing it.

The FirstLight Sustains 2024 Grant Program closes on April 1, 2024. All grant applications must be emailed or postmarked by April 1, 2024 to be considered in this funding round.