



STATE OF VERMONT  
AGENCY OF DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

*Preserving Vermont's historic, architectural and archeological resources*

July 21, 1989

Ernest K. Friedli  
Windham Congregational Church  
Windham, Vermont 05359

Dear Mr. Friedli,

The Division for Historic Preservation and the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation have reviewed the applications for the 1989 State Historic Preservation Grant Program and regret to inform you that your project was not selected for funding. Seventy-six applications were submitted to the Division requesting \$328,207 in matching funds, for projects totaling \$1,063,306. Legislative allocation of \$87,500 made the selection process a very difficult and competitive one.

We will keep your name in our mailing list, and if the program is funded in the future, we will send you the necessary application materials. In the meantime, if we can be of any technical assistance, we will attempt to be available to you as our staff time permits. We do appreciate your application and commend you on your commitment to Vermont's heritage. Good luck in your preservation efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eric Gilbertson".

Eric Gilbertson  
Director, Division for Historic Preservation

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Applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 26, or postmarked by June 24, 1989. In fairness to all applicants, incomplete applications or those not received by this deadline will not be considered.

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Office location: 58 East State Street  
Montpelier, Vermont  
Mailing Address: c/o Pavilion Building  
Montpelier, Vermont 05602  
Telephone: 828-3226

1989 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS APPLICATION

Please refer to the "1989 State Historic Preservation Grants Manual" before completing the application. Attach pages if more space is required.

1. PROPERTY NAME: *Windham Congregational Church*  
ADDRESS:  
TOWN/CITY: *Windham VT 05359*
2. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP (check one): Municipality\_\_\_\_;  
Non-Profit organization *x*;  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ (explain)  
NAME(S) OF (ALL) LEGAL OWNER(S):  
  
ADDRESS(ES)  
TOWN/CITY: ZIP CODE:  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):
3. APPLICANT NAME: *Windham Congregational Church*  
ADDRESS:  
TOWN/CITY: ZIP CODE:  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER:  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS  
FOR APPLICANT: *Ernest K Friedli -Treasurer \*Robert Trask*  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING PROJECT: *Same (Alternate)*  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: *(802) 874-4605 \* 824-6304*
4. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES STATUS (check one):  
*x* Listed on the National Register as an individual property  
\_\_\_\_ Listed on the National Register as part of an historic district  
\_\_\_\_ Name of historic district \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Not listed on the National Register (complete Section 13)
5. PROPERTY USE:  
EXPLAIN ACCESSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC: *Used as town hall - Summer Childrens Day Camp, Town library, AA mtgs, Windham Community Org uses for suppers.*  
DESCRIBE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY AND/OR SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT:  
*"Town" supports bldg with a, small yearly maintence fee.  
"Friends of the Meeting House" raises funds for maintenance.  
"Windham Community Org" has suppers to raise funds for community.*



6. PROJECT OBJECTIVE (describe purpose of project and how it will benefit the general public:

Shutters are in total disrepair and falling off.  
Needs replacement.

7. DESCRIBE ANY WORK WHICH HAS BEEN DONE TO THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS: - Front sill beam replaced, front porch

replaced, slate roof repaired, Steeples had flashings replaced.  
(Painting of exterior is scheduled)

8. WORK DESCRIPTION AND COST ESTIMATES (itemize proposed project work and list cost estimate for each item:

<u>Work Item</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
Replace shutters	\$3200

TOTAL PROJECT COST:

\$3200

9. REQUESTED GRANT AMOUNT:  
MATCHING SHARE:

\$1500

10. MATCHING SHARE SUMMARY (describe per source):

Source: Friends of Meeting House	Source:
Amount: \$500	Amount:

Source: Windham Church	Source:
Amount: \$1000	Amount:

11. ATTACHMENTS (REQUIRED):

Labeled 35 mm color slide(s) which clearly illustrate the property;  
Current, clear, labeled photograph of the property (no postcards or instant snapshots, please);  
Clear, labeled photograph(s) illustrating proposed work items, as needed;  
Map showing exact location of property;  
Non-profit organizations must attach proof of non-profit status

12. CERTIFICATION:

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate.

NAME: Ernest K Friedli  
TITLE: Treasurer

SIGNATURE:

Ernest K Friedli

DATE: 6/17/89



Applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 26, or postmarked June 25, 1987. In fairness to all applicants, incomplete applications or those not received by this deadline will not be considered.

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1987 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS APPLICATION

Please refer to the "1987 State Historic Preservation Grants Manual" before completing the application. Attach pages if more space is required.

1. PROPERTY NAME: *Windham Congregational Church - UCC*  
ADDRESS:  
TOWN/CITY: *Windham, Vt 05359*
2. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP (check one): Municipality\_\_\_\_; Non-Profit organization X;  
Other\_\_\_\_(explain)  
NAMES(S) OF (ALL) LEGAL OWNER(S):

ADDRESS(ES):  
TOWN/CITY;  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):

ZIP CODE:

3. APPLICANT NAME: *Ernest K. Friedli*  
ADDRESS: *RR1 Box 188*  
TOWN/CITY: *Windham via W. Townshend, Vt* ZIP CODE: *05359*  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER *802-874-4605*  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS FOR APPLICANT: *Above - Treasurer*

NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING PROJECT:

*Building Committee - I would be social point*  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: *802-874-4605 or 4049 - Ben Crittenden*

4. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES STATUS (check one):  
X Listed on the National Register as an individual property  
\_\_\_\_ Listed on the National Register as part of a historic district  
\_\_\_\_ Name of historic district  
\_\_\_\_ Not listed on the National Register (complete Section 13)

5. PROPERTY USE:  
EXPLAIN ACCESSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC:

*Sunday Services, Town Mtgs, Summer Community School, Elem School Uses*

6. PROJECT OBJECTIVE (describe purpose of project and how it will benefit the general public):

*To stabilize foundation. Since 1804, there has been settling of stone foundation. The NW corner has sagged about 8 inches. The front sill beam was replaced last year and we wish to continue to build the proper support under this large structure.*



7. DESCRIBE ANY WORK WHICH HAS BEEN DONE TO THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS:

Front sill beam replaced. Front deck & stairs replaced.  
Septic System, bathroom & gas heat installed, slate roof repair

8. WORK DESCRIPTION AND COST ESTIMATES (itemize proposed project work and list cost estimate for each item):

<u>Work Item</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
Remove interior walls in area	
Support existing structure	
Jack as required	
Excavate Foundation - approx 10' each side.	3 weeks - 3 men
Pour footings, etc - replace sill as req'd - Reinforce -	\$12/hr. - \$500 material
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	backhoe rental
	Redo as req'd.

9. REQUESTED GRANT AMOUNT: 2500  
MATCHING SHARE: 2880

10. MATCHING SHARE SUMMARY (describe per source):

Source: Friends of the Mtg House  
Amount: \$1000

Source:  
Amount:

Source: Funds in escrow for projects  
Amount: \$1880

Source:  
Amount:

11. ATTACHMENTS (REQUIRED):

35mm color slide(s) which clearly illustrate the property;  
Current, clear, labeled photograph of the property (no postcards or instant snapshots, please);  
Clear, labeled photograph(s) illustrating proposed work items;  
Map showing exact location of property;  
Non-profit organizations must attach proof of non-profit status

12. CERTIFICATION:

I certify to the best of my knowledge the information provided in this application is complete and accurate.

NAME: Ernest K. Friedli - Treasurer.  
TITLE:

SIGNATURE: Ernest K. Friedli

DATE: 6/28/87

\*\*\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*\*\*

APPLICANTS FOR PROPERTIES NOT LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES MUST COMPLETE SECTION 13.



The Windham Church building was constructed in 1805 and is listed in the historical register. The front porch (deck) was in need of replacement. Upon removal of this structure it was determined that the 12 x 12 inch sill beam had deteriorated and the vertical supporting columns resting on this beam which in turn supported the bellfry, was in danger of sagging in due time.

Three local carpenters undertook to replace this 180 year old beam and insert a 12 x 12 laminated pressure treated replacement. The chief difficulty was the need to hold up the massive structure while the old sill was cut out and move the new beam in place. Supporting outer braces were bolted in place on the exterior and interior. The braces were jacked up slowly until all pressure had been relieved from the sill beam and then the replacement procedure began. It was discovered that the two main vertical columns had sunk several inches into the rotted sill beam and that the sill beam itself had compressed and distorted by several inches.

The expense of this project was borne by the members of the church and by a donation from a group of friends dedicated to the preservation of this beautiful building.

The building is used for worship each Sunday and is the scene of numerous potluck suppers, a concert by the Chester Brass, Old Home Day, and is used for six weeks during each summer to host a summer camp for the children of the community. It is also the meeting place of the town providing the facility of a town hall; and the elementary school uses it for special occasions.

The enclosed slides show

- ① South side - entrance
- ② East side - facing road
- ③ The sill beam replaced last year  
Showing deterioration





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Vermont Travel Division 828-3236  
Vermont Life Magazine 828-3241

July 25, 1986

Ben Crittenden, Assistant Treasurer  
Windham Congregational Church

Windham, Vermont 05359

Dear Ben Crittenden:

The Division for Historic Preservation and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation have reviewed the applications for the State Historic Preservation Program. Competition was extremely tight, as we received 57 applications totalling \$200,000 in grant requests for the \$50,000 Grant Program. The quality and serious problems addressed by many of the applications made the choice a difficult one.

Unfortunately, your project was not selected for funding, although it is certainly a worthwhile one. We commend your efforts in preserving the Church, and hope that it will be among the applicants should the grant program be continued next year.

We will keep your name on our mailing list and if any grant programs are funded, we will send you the necessary application materials. In the meantime, if we can be of any technical assistance, we will attempt to be available to you as our staff time permits. We commend you on your commitment to historic preservation.

Sincerely,

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Eric Gilbertson".

Eric Gilbertson  
Director

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JUN 30 1986

1986 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS APPLICATION

Please refer to the "1986 State Historic Preservation Grants Manual" before completing the application.

1. PROPERTY NAME: Windham Congregational Church.  
ADDRESS:  
TOWN/CITY: Windham, VT Post Office - W. Townshend, VT 05359
2. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP (check one): Municipality X; Non-Profit Organization X;  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ (explain)  
NAME(S) OF (ALL) LEGAL OWNER(S):  
Town of Windham  
Windham Congreg Church.  
ADDRESS(ES):  
TOWN/CITY: Windham VT ZIP CODE: 05359  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER(S): 802-874-4049 - Ben Crittenden - Assist Treasurer  
802-874-4605 - Ernie Friedli - Treasurer
3. APPLICANT NAME:  
ADDRESS: See above  
TOWN/CITY: ZIP CODE:  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER:  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS FOR APPLICANT:  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING PROJECT: Same 2 people above  
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER:
4. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES STATUS (check one):  
☐ Listed on the National Register as an individual property  
☒ Listed on the National Register as part of a historic district  
Name of historic district: WINDHAM Village Hist. Dist.  
☐ Not listed on the National Register (complete Section 13)
5. PROPERTY USE: Church Services all yr and special events  
EXPLAIN ACCESSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC: Annual Town Mtg & special mtgs.  
It is the traditional town Mtg House.
6. PROJECT OBJECTIVE (describe purpose of project and how it will benefit the general public):  
To maintain existing structure for church & town use.



7. DESCRIBE ANY WORK WHICH HAS BEEN DONE TO THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS:
- 1982 - Painted front facade
  - 1982 - Drilled well
  - 1983 - Installed septic tank; flush toilet; water, hot & cold; Gas heaters for downstairs mtg rooms.

8. WORK DESCRIPTION AND COST ESTIMATES (itemize proposed project work and list cost estimate for each item):

	Work Item	Estimate
①	Repair & align drywall foundation - 4 sides	\$1000 →
or ②	Paint complete building & steeple	\$9000
or	both.	

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$10,000

9. REQUESTED GRANT AMOUNT: 5,000  
MATCHING SHARE: 5,000

10. MATCHING SHARE SUMMARY (describe per source):

Source: Windham Congreg Church      Source:  
Amount: \$5000.00                      Amount:

Source:                                      Source:  
Amount:                                      Amount:

11. ATTACHMENTS (REQUIRED):

35mm color slide(s) which clearly illustrate the property;  
Current, clear, labeled photograph of the property (no postcards or instant snapshots, please);  
Clear, labeled photograph(s) illustrating proposed work items;  
Map showing exact location of property;  
Non-profit organizations must attach proof of non-profit status  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ID. 03-0263474

12. CERTIFICATION:

I certify to the best of my knowledge the information provided in this application is complete and accurate.

NAME: Ernest K. Friedli & D. Benton Crittenden  
TITLE: Treasurer & Assist Treasurer

SIGNATURE: *Ernest K. Friedli*      *D. Benton Crittenden*      DATE: 6/25/86

\*\*\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\*\*\*

APPLICANTS FOR PROPERTIES NOT LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
MUST COMPLETE SECTION 13.



This file contained 35 mm slides, which have not been scanned.

The slides are on file at the Division for Historic Preservation.

Please contact the Division to view the slides.

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