

County of Greene



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To: Cathy Schafrik
From: Terry Beigie
RE: End of Month update for Grants, Procurement, & Public Information
Date: May 2026

Grants:

New Business:

We have submitted the invoice to VDH for the \$3 million. It'll take more than a month, but we do expect to have something before the Board's July 14 meeting regarding this funding the **General Assembly** approved in 2024.

We received the signed grant paperwork for the **Resilience Plan** grant from the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation. We're in the process of getting that under way. I hope to have a kickoff regarding it this summer.

We learned in late May that we did receive approval for our second **Cybersecurity** grant application. We're working on getting more details regarding that and we will begin that project as soon as possible. It's been an extremely slow roll out of this grant, but they're about to open the next round and I'll be working with IT regarding the next round of funding.

In July, I will be reaching out to Congressional staffing contacts regarding possible funding for the Reservoir. I do not have timing on that but wanted to let you know that I'm working on that.

We had three meetings and training courses regarding the EPA funding for the Stanardsville water main improvements funding with assistance from Congressman Vindman's office. The amount of funding the County received is \$1,092,000.00. I will be working with the engineer and Director of the Water & Sewer regarding the application that must be submitted prior to the awarding of funding within the next year. The County match is \$273,000.00 and once officially awarded I will bring a resolution to the Board to accept and appropriate.

Upcoming grants:

I am working with Parks & Recreation regarding a grant with Sentara Cares for a program. There will be no matching funding needed. It's due by July 3, but due to my vacation it will be submitted by June 18, 2026.

For state requests we should reach out to our Delegate and Senator in the fall, prior to the next General Assembly session. I'm happy to do planning for these requests at any time. In speaking with our

elected officials, they both said they'd like to visit Greene in the summer, and the County Administrator and I are working on a good time to meet with them regarding potential needs for us. We'd also like to showcase work being done with the funding they helped us secure for water. I'd personally love for the Board to host a **Legislative Day** where we invite them all and secure transportation for a trip throughout to show them what needs we have and how we are managing all their funding assistance.

Old Business (still ongoing):

Submitted the **Rescue Squad Assistance Fund** grant in March for two stair chair lifts and two power cots. This is a 50-50 grant, and we should hear by July 1, 2026.

Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine have submitted our grant request for **Congressionally Directed Spending**. We requested \$1.5 million toward watermain improvements into Stanardsville and western Greene County. This would be in addition to the nearly \$1.1 million we received through Vindman's office. We should know more about the \$1.5 million later this summer. We were notified that the House approved the appropriation bill that awards \$1,092,000.00 in **Community Project Funding** for the water main in Stanardsville. (We had requested \$5 million for the project). There is a 20% match required. It will likely be a few months before we have access to the funding.

I attended a webinar regarding the state's Recreational Trails Program, which offers money for construction of trails, however without a plan we cannot apply and expect to win the very competitive program. There are some grants that allow us to buy land that we could build trails on, but we need a more concrete plan before we move forward. I believe we need a recreation plan for the County that I could utilize in finding funding—I have not heard anything yet regarding this.

Greene County was notified on December 1, 2025, that it received \$12 million in grant funds through the **Virginia Department of Health**, per the General Assembly, toward the Raw Water Line and Pump Station and Intake, both projects necessary for the reservoir. The General Assembly put \$25 million aside for grants with Greene County and Bowling Green having priority. I believe we're waiting for the General Assembly to pass the budget before we can access this funding. The projects are under way and we're collecting the invoices.

Virginia Department of Energy Grant application is undergoing procurement at this time. We were awarded \$199,880.00 from the Virginia Department of Energy for workforce development program regarding energy audit certifications. Courses will begin in the summer, and we've received numerous applications for the homeowner energy audits themselves. Still looking for contractors who want the certifications!

Applied for the **Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant** for a generator at one of our pump stations. Greene County will cover 5% of the total cost of this grant. We were given approval of the pre-application and invited to submit a full application on March 31, 2025, however the deadline for this grant application period is not until July 2025, so I don't expect to hear anything for several months beyond that. I requested \$162,000.00. I have not heard when we can expect to hear anything regarding this.

We received word from the Commonwealth that even though the **SRO** grant had reached its end at 4 years we were permitted to send in a new application for continuation for at least another year. It is due March 10. Three of the six SROs are on a grant which pays about 50% of the salaries and fringe benefits. We have not heard yet.

We have begun the work for the **Park** under the HUD grant (\$750,000.00). We finished the weatherization of the concession stand, the electronic gate and the site plan amendment. This full project will take two years due to scheduling around busy soccer seasons. We have an RFP out for the paving of the parking lot, creation of a second parking lot, and more. We have a public bid opening scheduled for June 10, 2026.

We continue to move forward on our **BRIC** grant for the Building and Planning and Zoning Departments. We have almost completed this.

I submitted a grant request for Stanardsville Volunteer Fire Company for \$35,685.00 for rescue tools to **Firehouse Subs**. I submitted a request for SVFC for \$9,931.60 for PPE to **State Farm**. I have been working with SVFC and TJPDC for the Safe Streets for All grant program for a more than \$89,000 grant request as well.

Submitted the grant request for the Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney, through the **Department of Criminal Justice**, which in the past was only allowed at \$45,000, however, this year we were allowed to submit for up to \$75,000, so I certainly increased our request on the grant application. We have not heard yet.

Total:

Since beginning in December 2021: **\$19,660,225.40** in grant funds

Public Information:

Monthly newsletter signups are available here:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/ynNC327/GreeneCountyVA>

Updates to the website are made often and people can sign up for immediate updates to agendas, bids and job postings here: <https://greenecountyva.gov/list.aspx>

We have utilized the emergency public alert system numerous times due to the countywide burn ban and a water main break. We have utilized it for the non-emergency items, as directed by those who signed up for them, for tax due, comprehensive plan, landfill closure, and more. To sign up for alerts if you have not yet, visit <https://public.alertsense.com/SignUp/?RegionId=2182>

We put out press releases regarding the burn ban, water main break, and the start of the Energy Grant Audit Training programs. Additionally, we put out a press release regarding the full funding of the Route 670 project from the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

We are always updating the website; if there are items people want to see added, please contact me.

Procurement:

One IFB is online right now and due by June 10:

- Park improvements related to the HUD grant

We are utilizing a state contract to switch copier services due to contracts expiring and them not being on a state contract anyway.

While there is no procurement-specific staff, I have created a webpage under County Administration with more information about how to work with the County. It is here:

<https://greenecountyva.gov/416/Purchasing>.

The procurement manual is also linked on this page and a video from the State regarding eVA, the state's electronic procurement portal. I am working on a one-sheet to describe our procurement policy in more detail that will also be added to this page after.

Courtney is now also a Certified Contracting Associate with the Commonwealth of Virginia after passing her test! Congratulations, Courtney!!