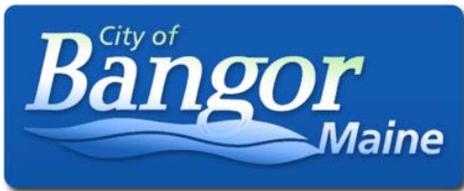


# MEMORANDUM



TO: B&ED Committee  
FROM: Tanya Emery, Director of C&ED  
DATE: January 13, 2015

## Commission for Cultural Development Grant Applications

The City of Bangor Commission for Cultural Development (CCD) is interested in pursuing grant funding to enhance its annual operating budget. The CCD requests Council permission to apply for the following grants which have a deadline of February 15. Members of the cultural commission will craft applications in tandem with city staff and community stakeholders. If approved, these grants will help fund two initiatives that are part of the previously approved mission and strategic plan of the CCD: development of "arts and culture month" throughout Bangor; and updates to the Bangor Arts website and brand promotion

Below are descriptions of the two grant opportunities. If these grants are received, work will be carried out by the CCD with staff support. The CCD seeks the committee's approval to proceed with these grant applications.

### Maine Community Foundation - Community Building Grant

The Community Building Grant Program seeks to support organizations and programs that recognize and build on a community's strengths and assets. Awards are made by the Maine Community Foundation's county and regional committees and a statewide committee that reviews proposals both from counties without county committees and organizations whose projects are statewide in scope. To be considered for funding, proposed projects must also meet one or more of the following priorities: develop community relationships, involve community members, and advance community leadership.

Amount: Up to \$10,000      Deadline: February 15

To be used for: Development of "arts and culture month" throughout Bangor

### Maine Community Foundation - Penobscot County Fund

The Penobscot County Fund was established with a \$100,000 contribution from the Junior League of Bangor, Maine. The fund serves as a permanent endowment providing annual grant support to local nonprofits engaged in community building projects.

Amount: \$10,000      Deadline: February 15

To be used for: Bangor Arts website updates and brand promotion

