

# Annual ARPA Beneficiary Report by Area of Investment

12/31/2024

By agreement all beneficiaries of City of Bangor ARPA funding are required to provide an annual report no later than 120 days following the calendar year end. Below is a summary of the required reporting by beneficiary as well as those funds allocated as “government services”.

## ***Childcare (18.8%)***

**Bangor Children’s Home** Project Award \$350,748 Total Disbursed \$199,519

Project Description: For investment in and renovation of the Bangor’s Children Home. Investment is intended to expand access to affordable childcare and support health childhood environments. Proposed building renovations include; dormer, roof, electrical and retaining wall repairs, and replacement of windows, sprinkler heads, and flooring. Renovations and investment in facilities must ensure compliance with life safety code, mitigate future utility costs, and remediate health hazards.

Status - Several Projects including fencing, retaining wall, fire doors and sprinklers, electrical, window and floor replacement have been completed or are in progress.

**Bangor YMCA** Project Award \$2 Million Total Disbursed \$2 Million  
(In Partnership Penobscot County – who awarded \$3 million)

Project Description: Given the increased need for the numerous and varied services offered through the YMCA, these one-time funds will go towards the construction of a new facility to serve multiple impacted and disproportionately impacted groups. Services will respond to the public health emergency through behavioral health care services, and address educational disparities with youth and workforce development services.

Important details about the new building:

- The YMCA will be situated on a 7-acre site on Main Street in Bangor, near Davis Ct. and Talbot Park.
- The new building will be 82,000 sq. ft., nearly doubling the size of the current 45,000 sq. ft. facility on Second Street.
- It will offer new, state-of-the-art facilities that both feature what is popular at the current facility, while adding offerings that are not currently available.
- A full court gymnasium and run/walk track, neither of which currently exist.
- A new aquatic center with two pools, including an 8-lane competition lap pool and a 6-lane family, instructional, and therapeutic pool.
- A Community Health Center with on-site support from mental health specialists, a primary care provider, physical therapy and other offerings; and the new Bangor Region Y will include a community room,
- A community kitchen, and a cafe to support social and emotional health for all ages.

- A new teen center for middle and high schoolers, which will be used for multi-generational use outside of hours for the teen center.
- Plans for recreational and sports fields, and nature-based outdoor education play areas

Status - The facility, now called the Cathy Gero Bangor Region YMCA, will carry on the legacy of the longtime member and supporter of the organization. Site secured / Final design completed. Groundbreaking expected to be in September 2025. Opening is thought to be early 2027.

**Penquis (Childcare)** Project Award \$1.5 Million Total Disbursed \$0.00

Project Description: For the construction of a new childcare center. Specifically, to support the consolidation of multiple early childhood education sites providing Early Head Start, Head Start, and Child Care services across the Bangor/Brewer region in a newly constructed 16-classroom early care and education facility.

Status - To date no ARPA funding has been expended. Ground Breaking of the Bright Beginnings Child Development Center was held week of April 27<sup>th</sup>. On track to meet December 2026 deadline.

***Homelessness (16%)***

**Bangor Public Library** Project Award \$241,271 (Bangor Award) Total Disbursed \$241,271  
(In Partnership Penobscot County – who awarded \$100k)

Project Description: For investment in properties and operational infrastructure that provides workforce supports individuals who are experiencing one or more of the following: un-housed, mental health concern and/or substance use disorder. The ARPA funds awarded are to enhance the current services provided by Bangor Public Library which directly and indirectly benefit the City of Bangor. In addition, these funds are another extension of the assistance in battling the City's regional issue of drug & alcohol addiction, recovery and mental health awareness.

Status – In 2024, Social worker had 940 interactions with patrons and made 173 referrals. The total numbers, including the 7 months in 2023 when she was in this position, are 1,590 interactions and 247 referrals.

The breakdown is as follows (2024/Total):

- Medical (physical health): 16/23
- Housing: 33/49
- Domestic Violence/Human Trafficking: 14/24
- Substance Use Services/OPTIONS: 21/29
- Mental Health and Case Management: 24/37
- Legal: 14/20
- Family Services: 3/3
- Financial/General Assistance/Utilities:8/17
- Schools: 0/2

- Resource Centers/Clubhouse: 30/30
- Crisis Management: 12/12
- Pet Needs: 1/1

**Penobscot Community Health Ctr (Hope House)** Project Award \$2,484,880  
Total Disbursed \$0

Project Description: To address expansion and improvement needs for the Hope House Shelter, which provides needed behavioral health care, such as mental health treatment and substance use treatment to disproportionately impacted individuals. Eligible expenses included, but are not limited to, expansion of the shelter footprint to increase by 12 beds and 4 flex beds, replacement of HVAC system, addition of showers and bathrooms, creation of large dining area.

Status – The full transition of Hope House shelter operations to the Preble Street was successfully finalized in February 2025. By the end of 2024, modest progress had been achieved in the renovation and expansion of the physical Hope House shelter facility. Construction expected to be complete by September 2026.

A total of 268 guests were served at Hope House Shelter. 100% of these guests received housing and wellness navigation services. Of the 268 guests 62 or 23.1% secured stable housing. All shelter guests were assessed and referred to substance use disorder treatment, mental health treatment, primary care, case management services as appropriate. On average, the length of stay for shelter guests was 53 days. Because Hope House is an emergency shelter in which guests may check in on a night-to-night basis, therefore this data can be misleading.

**Community Care (Shaw House)** Project Award: \$550,000 (Bangor Portion)  
Total Disbursed \$0.00  
(In Partnership Penobscot County – who awarded \$550k)

Project Description: In order to sustain needed congregate living services for disproportionately impacted individuals, this project will fund interior and exterior renovations and HVAC replacement of the Shaw House youth center.

Status – To date there have not been any funds used that had been granted to Community Care (Shaw House Youth Shelter) by the City of Bangor. All funds used for engineering work come from other sources. They estimate Community Care will be seeking drawdowns from the City of Bangor in early summer of 2025.

Progress to date has been made on engineering, reviewing/selecting estimates, and choosing a contractor. Community Care has selected Dunbar and Brawn Construction. Major projects will likely begin late June or early July, 2025. Phase 1 of the project is estimated to last 5 months. ARPA funds granted to Community Care for this project will be exhausted by the end of Phase 1.

## **Housing (17.29%)**

**Bangor Housing Development Corp** - Project Award \$2Million

Total Disbursed – \$0.00

Project Description: For investment in utility infrastructure, including water, sewer and broadband, to support 48 affordable housing units for persons 55 and older on Sunset Avenue. The funded infrastructure will service buildings in which twenty percent of units are set aside for persons experiencing homelessness, have disabilities, or have special housing needs; sixty percent will be rented at or below 50% AMI; and the remaining units rented at or below 60% AMI.

Status – The construction of the affordable housing project called Sunridge Senior Housing at 140 Sunset Avenue will begin late spring or early summer of 2025. On track to meet Dec 2026 deadline.

**Habitat for Humanity Greater Bangor** – Project Award \$1 Million Total Disbursed – \$49,000

Project Description: For the acquisition and development of single family affordable homes in Bangor, including acquiring land, installing water and sewer infrastructure, and hiring a project manager to oversee the acquisition and construction of a neighborhood of single-family homes.

Status - Habitat for Humanity of Greater Bangor (HFHGB) has successfully acquired three properties and has a fourth pending. These sites hold the potential for at least nine (9) single family homes. To date a total of \$372,299 (as of 3/31/2025) of funding has been released with approximately \$133,000 committed that will be submitted in the next two months. A summary of each of the properties is listed below:

**184 Thirteenth Street:** Single house lot – previously vacant property. Currently under construction in partnership with Eastern Maine Community College. Site work and foundation are in progress and the house will be moved over in early June with an expected completion date of October 2025.

**218 Grove Street:** Double lot – existing house to be demolished and two houses constructed. Demo is scheduled for this spring.

**493 Valley Ave:** Three-acre parcel with potential for at least four single family houses. Property has a dilapidated farmhouse and two barns that will be demolished this spring. Subdivision planning in progress.

**Sherman Ave:** Offer pending. Double lot that is currently owned by the City of Bangor. We are awaiting a deed revision by HUD to release the property from community use to residential use. Two single family homes would be constructed.

As per the grant proposal, they are in the hiring process for a Project Manager to execute the current planning and development of the acquired properties. They are confident that ARPA funds awarded to will be fully expended prior to December 2026.

**Penquis Housing** – Total Award \$540,000      Total Disbursed – \$540,000

Project Description: Milford Street Housing Project is a proposed three phase affordable housing project. Phase I has been awarded low income housing tax credit to construct 40 units of 55+ housing. In total the three-phase project is estimated to result in the construction of 115 units of affordable housing. The allocated funds were awarded to fund the installation of the necessary infrastructure (sewer, water, broadband, etc.) to service all three phases of the project

Status – Continues to work in three phases with Phase II estimated to start in August 2025. Statistical data related to residents within the development – not available (no residents)

*Mental Health (4.56%)*

**Big Brothers Big Sisters Mid Maine** – Total Award \$130,000      Total Disbursed \$130,000

Project Description: For investment in start-up funding of the Maine Mentoring Hub, to expand mentor relationship opportunities to youth services served by the Boys and Girls Club of Bangor. Start-up expenses included, but are not limited to, hiring dedicated program staff to recruit, screen, train, and support 100 new mentors over the next two years. The project will address student academic, social, emotional and mental health needs.

Status - In the first quarter of 2024, BBBS onboarded essential staff members and began making presentations to business and community partners to engage potential Bigs. During the second and third quarters, BBBS continued refining the program plan with the Boys and Girls Club, screening prospective Littles and Bigs, recruiting additional participants, and presenting to organizations that align with the mission. This period also marked the beginning of matching appropriate Bigs with identified Littles.

By the fourth quarter, BBBS successfully launched a cohort of initial matches who began meeting regularly three days per week. During these sessions, BBBS tested various program structures in partnership with the Club to determine which approaches were most effective. Efforts around recruitment and relationship cultivation continue and remain ongoing. Outreach to the business community has resulted in several valuable partnerships. Notably, BBBS has cultivated strong relationships with organizations such as Bangor Savings Bank, Versant, and University Credit Union.

**Christine B. Foundation** – Total Award \$100,000      Total Disbursed \$100,000

Project Description: Acquisition of a refrigerated van and two refrigerators.

Status – As of 3.31.25, \$0 has been spent, with the \$100,000 being paid in full upon order arrival by the end of May 2025. A purchase order totaling \$91,595 has been signed (Jan 28, 2025) to acquire a 2024 Ford Transit van with refrigeration. The vehicle will be arriving at the end of April/early May, and full payment will be made at pickup. Refrigerator Units—Similar to the van order, CBF has priced quotes from area vendors for the purchase of refrigeration units. The remaining \$8,415 of the ARPA award designated to this purchase will occur in early May.

**St. Andre Home** – Total Award \$50,000

Total Disbursed \$50,000

Project Description: For operating expenses to overcome the negative economic impacts of the pandemic in order to maintain needed behavioral healthcare services to impacted individuals and households. Specifically, for one-time operating funds to support the following initiatives:

1. Hire a full-time mental health clinician to serve at least 50 people annually.  
Status - A full-time mental health clinician was hired in October 2024. Between October 2024 and May 2025, the clinician has provided services for over 50 individuals including completing mental health assessments, providing individual therapy, and providing referrals for additional support for things such as medical care, housing services, and medication assistance. The clinician has served 57 individuals who are Bangor residents. The \$20,000 designated from the ARPA funds for this position have been expended.
2. Hire a full-time case manager to serve at least 50 people annually.  
Status - A full-time case manager was hired in December 2023 and served 129 adults who were Bangor residents between December 2023 and May 2024. The case manager has since served several more individuals. All designated funds for this goal were utilized by May 2024.
3. Deliver at least 20 community educational groups on identifying and responding to the needs of survivors of human trafficking and exploitation.  
Status - Delivered over 20 educational groups to a variety of community organizations between November 2023 and May 2024. Over the past year, St. Andre delivered dozens more community educational programs reaching more than 100 Bangor-based professionals and community members. All designated funds for this goal were utilized by May 2024.

*“As noted, each of the goals of this project have been exceeded. What that indicates is that the ARPA funding through the City of Bangor significantly helped far beyond the number of Bangor residents originally anticipated. The City of Bangor ARPA funding has helped the people and families we serve be safer, have greater access to resources, and helped Bangor residents obtain and maintain their stability and well-being. In turn, this helps the overall Bangor community thrive!” – Carey Nason, Executive Director*

**Middle School Health Clinics** – Total Award \$500,000      Total Disbursed \$500,000

Project Description: Construction of health clinic spaces within the city’s two middle schools (grade 7-8)

Status - Project completed both spaces are operational.

**Together Place Peer Run Recovery**– Total Award \$154,765      Total Disbursed \$29,322

Project Description: For investment in one-time funding that will support a grant writer/development manager position to build financial security within the nonprofit. The position will be funded for a period of two years and support the organizations ability to attract additional funding to maintain and expand current programming. In turn, the funds secured by this position will help respond to the public health emergency with services to address behavioral health care, such as mental health treatment, substance use treatment, and other behavioral health services.

Status – In progress – with recent staffing changes additional information is expected.

***Other (7.08%)***

**Bangor Symphony Orchestra** – Total Award \$40,000      Total Disbursed \$40,000

Project Description: For investment to support the Beneficiary’s capital and build-out needs to collaborate with the Cross-Insurance Center to provide more opportunities and access to Bangor Symphony Orchestra events and concerts in Bangor

Status - The purchase of capital and build-out costs including items such as stage, lighting, technology, signage, table and chairs, or any other items consistent with presenting the BSO at the Cross Insurance Center and other Bangor locations including but not limited to the Gracie Theater and the Wabanaki Public Health and Wellness Center has begun to be identified in January 2025 and will continue for upcoming performance projects for the duration of the cycle or until funds are expended. The two current projects in discussions are: Spring 2025 - Chamber Music Series at Wabanaki Health and Wellness, Bangor December 2025/ January 2026 - Concerts at the Cross-Insurance Center, Bangor It is BSO’s intention to track and report on all expenses, and to expend all funds by the agreed upon date of December 31, 2026.

**Eastern Area Agency on Aging** - Total Award \$67,000      Total Disbursed \$67,000

Project Description: For one-time funding that will support the delivery of 7,750 meals, as well as access to congregate meals at the Community Café, and supplement the Furry Friends Food Bank. To support the impacted community of older adults, caregivers, and disabled adults by ensuring access to healthy meals.

| EXPENSE               | BUDGET              | ACTUAL              | BALANCE     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| PERSONNEL             | \$ 19,063.00        | \$ 19,323.32        | \$ (260.32) |
| FRINGE                | \$ 1,998.00         | \$ 1,804.67         | \$ 193.33   |
| OCCUPANCY / RENT      | \$ 1,920.00         | \$ 1,626.00         | \$ 294.00   |
| STAFF TRAVEL          | \$ -                | \$ 227.01           | \$ (227.01) |
| MATERIALS & SUPPLIES  | \$ 5,000.00         | \$ 5,000.00         | \$ -        |
| FOOD                  | \$ 38,363.00        | \$ 38,363.00        | \$ -        |
| VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION | \$ 656.00           | \$ 656.00           | \$ -        |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>  | <b>\$ 67,000.00</b> | <b>\$ 67,000.00</b> | <b>\$ -</b> |

Status – For yr. end 24 Avg. meal cost increased in June to \$6.06.

Served a total of 6,581 meals

Short of the 7,750 target by 15%. The budget for meals was \$38,363 and the 7,750 goal was based on the average meal cost at the time of the application (\$4.95).

Subsequently, the cost of the meals from the vendor increased 2x to \$5.75 in October of 2023 and to \$6.06 in June of 2024.

**Food and Medicine Gardens Program** – Total Award \$75,000                      Total Disbursed \$75,000

Project Description: Expansion of the Collective Gardens program through the building of additional raised bed gardens in underserved neighborhoods. Additional activities include training volunteer garden coordinators, enlisting volunteers as standby garden caretakers, building garden committees, increasing participation of people in the community and educating on healthy food access.

Status - At the locations where these funds were used to build raised garden beds, Food and Medicine organized roughly 75 participants from the communities (at garden build events, regular Garden Committee meetings at individual gardens, and monthly Food Access Committee meetings) and volunteers from FAM’s general constituency to build new garden beds as well as improve upon existing gardens with trellises and conduct necessary maintenance where needed.

The goal is to build 12 raised garden beds between 2024 and 2026. As of April 2025, Food & Medicine has built 5 (four raised garden beds at new locations and one as an expansion of an existing garden location that had already been part of the Collective Gardens network).

Number and location of new raised beds created

- 2024 (*Total* → 4 beds at new locations + 1 bed at existing location)

Bangor Housing’s Blueberry Ridge (294 Davis Rd, Bangor, ME 04401),

- Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor (120 Park St, Bangor, ME 04401),
- Wellspring Infinity House (913 Essex St, Bangor, ME 04401)
- Bangor Housing’s Griffin Park (194 Griffin Rd, Bangor, ME 04401)

Food grown in the various garden communities is predominantly directly harvested by individuals either during or outside the FAM-facilitated garden committee meetings; each garden committee collectively decides what to do with the produce from their garden.

**Maine Discovery Museum** – Total Award \$500,000 (Bangor Portion) Total Disbursed \$0  
 ((In Partnership Penobscot County – who awarded \$500k)

Project Description: For investment in an improved air handling (HVAC) system to keep patrons safer with better ventilation. The organization is an eligible nonprofit to receive funds based on its services offered to impacted and disproportionately impacted households to address educational disparities through educational programming.

Status – Completed the engineering assessment of the building HVAC capacity, MDM needs, and what can be updated/replaced given the building’s structural capacity. As a result of the completed assessment, MDM contracted with ABM on December 7, 2024 to do a complete update the HVAC system. The estimated cost of this update is \$927,226. When added to the \$75,000 for the engineering work, the final system replacement cost is expected to be \$1,002,226. Expect the HVAC system installation to be completed by May 2025.

The Maine Discovery Museum served 41,500 patrons within our museum in 2024, with approximately 27% from Bangor.

**Maine Multicultural Center** – Total Award \$70,700 Total Disbursed \$70,700

Project Description: For the costs to support the hiring of a full-time program manager to meet the needs of new Mainers in obtaining safe and permanent housing, and secure employment. Operating costs may include wages, benefits, lease of property or equipment, or utility fees. Capital costs may include acquisition of property or facility repair or renovation.

Status – The staff coordinated the work of 45 volunteers who served at total of 4,872.8 hours, valued at \$163,190 and equivalent to the work of 2.3 FTE. MMCC is staffed at 3 FTE, so volunteer time almost doubles our capacity.

Statistical data related to households and communities served with the funds:

| Family Type | Total | Percentage |
|-------------|-------|------------|
| Families    | 41    | 76%        |
| Individuals | 13    | 24%        |

| Town     | Families | % Families | Individuals | % Individuals |
|----------|----------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Bangor   | 36       | 68%        | 126         | 65%           |
| Old Town | 13       | 25%        | 55          | 28%           |
| Orono    | 3        | 6%         | 12          | 6%            |
| Veazie   | 1        | 2%         | 2           | 1%            |

Percentage of school age children enrolled in school:

| School                  | Students | Percentage |
|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| William S. Cohen School | 13       | 16%        |
| Bangor High School      | 13       | 16%        |
| Old Town High School    | 10       | 13%        |
| Mary Snow               | 9        | 11%        |
| Abraham Lincoln         | 6        | 8%         |
| Old Town Elementary     | 8        | 10%        |
| 14th St                 | 3        | 4%         |
| Asa C Adams             | 2        | 3%         |
| Downeast School         | 2        | 3%         |
| Old Town Middle School  | 2        | 3%         |
| Orono Elementary School | 2        | 3%         |
| Orono High School       | 2        | 3%         |
| UMaine                  | 2        | 3%         |
| Vine St.                | 2        | 3%         |
| Fruit St.               | 1        | 1%         |
| Job Corp                | 1        | 1%         |
| Orono Middle school     | 1        | 1%         |
| Dedham School           | 1        | 1%         |

As of March 2025, MMCC was serving (and continues to serve) 41 families and 14 single person households (199 individuals total). All of the school aged children are enrolled in, and regularly attending school. 84 Of the 108 employment aged individuals (78%) are employed with more than 30 local employers. Those not working are either recently arrived, mothers with children under 5 (the majority – partners are employed), and 3 individuals with health issues that prevent them from working at this time.

Balance Forward \$49,783.01  
 Salary 37,205.10  
 Employer Payroll Taxes 4,635.00  
 Total Payroll Expense 41,840.00  
 Balance Remaining \$ 7,942.91

**Wabanaki Public Health & Wellness – Total Award \$648,000                      Total Disbursed \$0.00**

Project Description: This award will fund general building renovations at the Youth Center on Central Street. Additional eligible building elements include bouldering & youth wall, cozy cave area, water wall exhibit, recreated petroglyph wall, epoxy resin river, indoor forest, eagles next & youth climbing, after school are, art gallery wall, and commercial kitchen/café.

Status – Fire Marshall approval, In Permitting Phase - Wabanaki has not been able to expend any of the funding as the plans have been held up by the National Environmental Protection Agency that has now been submitted in HEROS HUD (HEROS is an online system for developing, documenting, and managing environmental reviews for HUD programs) They have been working with Bangor Community Development over the last few months to get this done.



*Project Description - Energy Upgrades*

- Annual utility usage by building located in Bangor; KWH, natural gas therms and/or gallons of heating oil.

**BANGOR GAS 2024**

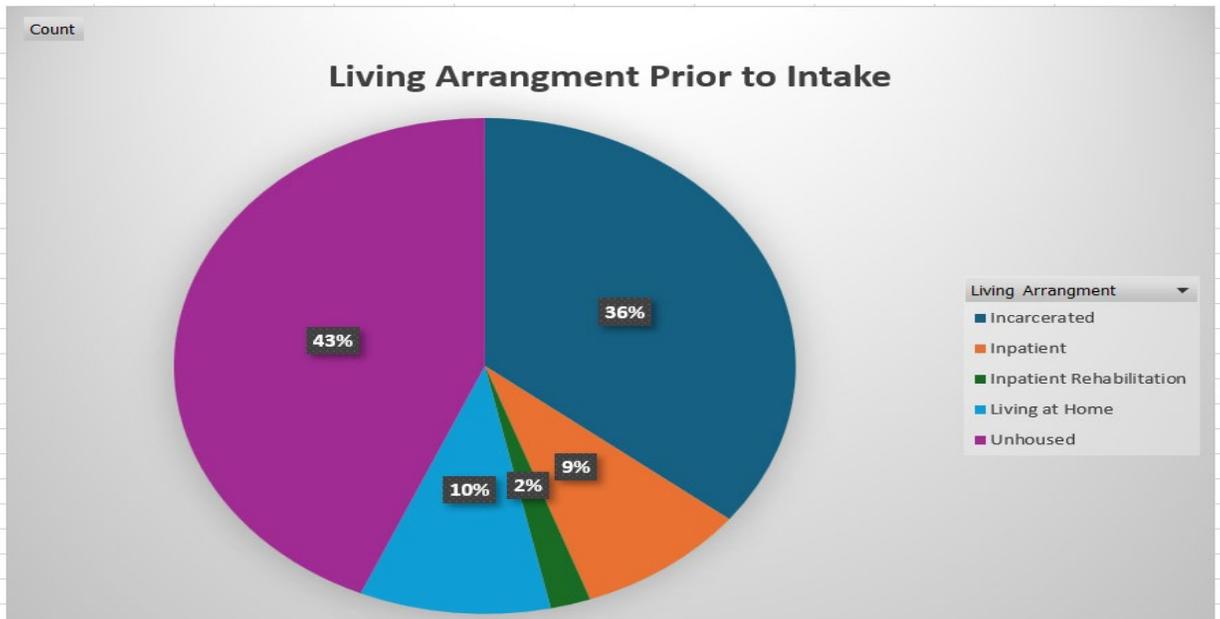
House: Annual Usage Therms:

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| 155 Warren    | 1368 |
| 115 Walter    | 1236 |
| 51 Fourth St  | 3068 |
| 326 Ohio St   | 2260 |
| 89 Ohio St    | 3628 |
| 87 Ohio St    | 2176 |
| 52 Blackstone | 2229 |
| 416 Hammond   | 2873 |
| 117 Grove St  | 1627 |
| 112 Ohio St   | 1127 |
| 149 Cedar     | 1940 |

Fabian Oil 2024

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| House:      | Gal:         |
| 38 Catell   | 428          |
| 31 Highland | 1929 Propane |

- Statistical data related to residents within Bangor living facilities:



| <b>Housing Status</b>    | <b>Count</b> |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Incarcerated             | 68           |
| Inpatient                | 17           |
| Inpatient Rehabilitation | 4            |
| Living at Home           | 19           |
| Unhoused                 | 83           |
| <b>Grand Total</b>       | <b>191</b>   |
|                          |              |

**Health Equity Alliance** – Total Award - \$387,054

Total Disbursed - \$387,054

Project Description: - Support the start-up costs associated with the creation of a resource center and outreach efforts to provide services houseless or unstably housed individuals with an emphasis on downtown, to be known as the HEART Centre.

Status – The Heart Center operated for approximately six months before closing its doors. Health Equity Alliance (HEAL) then ceased operations as of April 1, 2025. The balance of the funds originally committed for this project were reallocated by the City Council. The City has filed a claim with HEAL’s insurer in the amount of \$138,199 in unexpended funds.

**Workforce Development (1.52%)**

**Food and Medicine Workforce** - Total Award \$261,342

Total Disbursed \$71,829

Project Description: Workforce Navigator - To help unemployed or underemployed individuals that have been impacted by the public health emergency. Specifically, for direct costs associated with the creation of a workforce navigator position to assist Bangor residents in gaining employment. In addition to the work with individuals, the position would build programs for other community organizations to utilize, which includes training staff, members and/or volunteers.

Status - 2024 marked the first of a planned three-year buildout for the Bangor Peer Workforce Navigator (PWN) program, made possible by ARPA funding. While this initial funding has been crucial in laying the foundation, the long-term sustainability of the program will rely on continued investment from local partners, integration with the statewide peer workforce movement, and a phased approach to building out compensated peer roles.

Food and Medicine has put a few grant requests out and worked with Peer Workforce Navigator partners around additional funding. The biggest focus for expanding the financial support for the program is in state legislation that currently looks very favorable.

Approximately 80 Bangor community members received individualized Peer Navigator support in 2024.

The numbers reported below reflect a conservative estimate of individuals assisted, based on tracked interactions in shared data systems with Maine Equal Justice and partner organizations. The actual number of individuals supported is likely higher than what is currently documented. This data should be

understood as a low-end approximation that captures core areas of assistance but does not represent the full scope of community impact made possible through ARPA funding.

| <b>Referrals/Assistance Received</b> | <b>Individuals</b> |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Public Benefit                       | 17                 |
| Increase in Income Supports          | 28                 |
| Increased Food Security              | 14                 |
| Referred to unemployment             | 19                 |
| Increased Wages                      | 6                  |
| Obtained New Employment              | 18                 |
| Received Unemployment                | 12                 |
| Received Healthcare                  | 8                  |
| Enrolled in Education/Training       | 18                 |
| Gained Access to Transportation      | 11                 |

**Literacy Volunteers of Bangor – Total Award \$50,000      Total Disbursed \$50,000**

Project Description: For investment in operating capacity to onboard more literacy volunteers to work with individuals. From disproportionately impacted households. This project addresses educational disparities that were only worsened as a result of the public health emergency. Literacy coaching will benefit the households through increased opportunity to secure adequate employment.

Status - Continuing to offer Literacy services to citizens in various capacity of literacy. Served 243 Students from July through April. 77 New Tutors onboarded; 59% of students were unemployed. 14% reported not looking – retired & unavailable for work.

**Government Services (26.40%)**

|                                                                  |                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Grant / Homelessness / Housing Positions – Total Award \$850,000 | Total Disbursed \$215,918 |
| Sidewalk Plow – Total Award - \$200,000                          | Total Disbursed \$200,000 |
| Public Restrooms – Total Award - \$250,000                       | Total Disbursed \$158,474 |
| Interagency Housing – Total Award – \$2,250,000                  | Total Disbursed \$0.00    |
| Interagency Wastewater Infrastructure - \$1,856,037              | Total Disbursed \$0.00    |

**The following agencies are funded with reallocated interest earnings from ARPA award:**

**Together Place Housing**      Total Award \$375,000      Total Disbursed \$0.00

Project Description: For acquisition and renovation of real estate for the creation of units for low-income individuals diagnosed with mental health disorders or substance use disorder. The intended real estate will support, at minimum, 6 units of housing for up to 10 low-income individuals diagnosed with a mental health disorder (including substance use disorder).

Status – At the City Council Workshop of November 25, 2024, by a vote of 5-4, the City Council had established an expectation that the project should be committed by June 30, 2025. While Friends of Together Place remain committed to purchasing an apartment house, to date no option is in place.

**Heart of Maine United Way** Total Award \$400,000      Total Disbursed \$0.00  
(In Partnership Penobscot County – who awarded \$100k)

Project Description: The COMMUNITY: A Nonprofit Hub addresses important gaps in the nonprofit sector in Bangor and across Maine that will result in measurable outcomes supporting workforce development, basic needs, homelessness, substance use disorder and early childhood development. Many nonprofits effectively deliver services, yet organizations need stronger capacity in order to equalize the disparity of resources. Due to the pandemic, many of these critical nonprofits are struggling and at risk as they need the workforce, skills, tools, technology, fundraising and operational guidance to ensure their viability. The COMMUNITY will help to mitigate many of the challenges nonprofits are facing, including workforce retention, skills development, technology access, and resource development.

Status - Estimated closing on preferred location will occur in June.