

City Council Workshop

July 18, 2023

The City of Bangor was fortunate to be awarded \$20.1 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. The City Council chose to provide an opportunity for organizations to apply for funding to support projects that both met the requirements of ARPA and aligned with City priorities.

Bangor was fortunate to partner with the Heart of Maine United Way and their many dedicated volunteers who agreed to administer the application and review process through their well-established grant management practices. We appreciate their willingness and time to provide a foundation for our ARPA grant review process. In total, there were 60 applications submitted, totaling \$37,733,886. [Click here for an overview.](#)

The City of Bangor is incredibly fortunate to have so many wonderful organizations doing work in our community.

With limited funds, a workshop meeting was held on July 18, 2023 to determine which applications would move forward for additional discussion and consideration. The results are within this document.

Decisions such as these are difficult, as all organizations proposed innovative ways to make Bangor a better place to live and work. Ultimately, difficult decisions must to be made so these funds can be invested in the future of our community. We appreciate the public's interest in this process and hope they will continue to support these fine organizations.

[Click here to view meeting.](#)

Update: Attached document updated July 26, 2023 to reflect Council decision on two additional outstanding applications at their Council workshop meeting on July 24, 2023.

UPDATED -- July 26, 2023

Determination of Additional Discussion of ARPA Applications - July 18, 2023

Those with a majority will be scheduled for further review and discussion.

	Amount Requested	Yes	No
Nothern Light Acadia Hospital	2,000,000	7	2
Bangor Region YMCA	2,000,000	3	5
Big Brothes Bigs Sisters of Mid Maine	260,000	6	3
Penquis CAP	1,500,000	8	0
Christine B Foundation	100,000	9	0
Boys & Girls Club of Bangor	4,684,290	2	7
St. Andre Home	50,000	8	1
Penobscot Theatre Company	178,000	1	8
Northern Light Health	450,588	3	6
Bangor East Side Little League	79,782	2	7
Bangor Symphony Orchestra	71,560	6	3
Good Samaritan Agency	264,570	1	8
River City Athletics	230,000	0	9
Literacy Volunteers of Bangor	50,000	9	0
Bangor Children's Home	450,748	5	4
Fresh Start Inc	1,200,000	6	3
Food and Medicine Workforce Navigator	261,342	6	3
Design Wall Housing	100,000	2	7
Safe Familiar for Children Alliance	15,000	1	8
Food and Medicine Gardens Program	151,718	5	4
Bangor Friends of Affordable Housing	90,000	3	6
The Learning Garden	15,000	2	7
Peace & Justice Center	10,000	1	8
35 Main Downtown LLC	2,000,000	1	8
Dirigo Counseling Clinic	90,000	1	8
Parkside Children's Learning Center	10,000	4	5
St. Joseph Hospital	700,000	3	5
Dignity First	5,000,000	3	6
Maine Discovery Museum	105,000	2	7
Challenger Learning Center	100,000	3	6
Partners for Peace	373,015	7	2
Bangor Youth Ballet	20,000	0	9
Bangor Halfway House	80,000	6	3
The Mansion Church	50,000	4	5
Bangor firefighters Local 772	817,236	4	5
Northeast Occupational Exchange	254,119	0	9
Thibeau Financial Consulting	295,500	0	9
Carolinas Sports & Spirits	550,000	0	9
Hope for Homeless	220,000	0	9
Walker's Garage	14,529	0	9
Play! Piano Studio	252,000	0	9
Downtown Bangor Partnership	1,220,892	3	6
850 Broadway LLC	365,000	0	9
Together Place Peer Run Recovery Ctr	260,628	8	0 *
Heart of Maine United Way	800,000	8	0 *
* Occurred at July 24, 2023 Council workshop meeting.			