

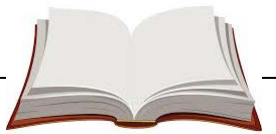
ACTION PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Bangor is an entitlement community that receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to invest in local solutions that address housing and community development needs. These include Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Funding: The 2024 Action Plan represents a single application incorporating prior year and new formula funds* resulting in a total allocation of approximately \$3,916,174 as follows:



- ### OBJECTIVES in this ACTION PLAN
1. Increase the inventory of safe, affordable housing
 2. Improve the condition of housing through rehabilitation
 3. Increase homeownership through Homebuyer Assistance
 4. Expand economic development opportunities through business assistance
 5. Provide essential public services
 6. Improve availability and access to public facilities and parks
 7. Improve public infrastructure
 8. Increase the quality of life through neighborhood stabilization efforts
 9. Decrease the incidence of homelessness
 10. Planning, administration, and technical assistance

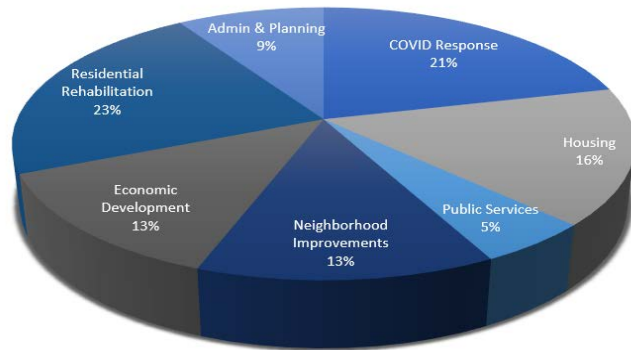


WHAT does an Action Plan do?

- **Prioritizes** housing and community development needs
- **Delineates** a one-year strategy to address those needs
- **Establishes** performance measures to measure progress
- **Describes** recommendations for specific projects and services identified through public meetings, needs assessments, consultations with community groups and proposals solicited through public meetings and an RFP process.
- **Outlines** activities to be funded using federal block grants from HUD for the Formula Programs

2020-2023 Consolidated Plan at a Glance

The Consolidated Plan is designed to help states and local jurisdictions to assess their affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions, and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The consolidated planning process serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify housing and community development priorities that align and focus funding from the CDBG Program. The City of Bangor has used this Plan to invest more than \$3,685,113.32 using strategic initiatives and projects.



TOTAL CDBG FUNDING 2020-2023: \$5,746,770
(Includes COVID-related grants and program income)



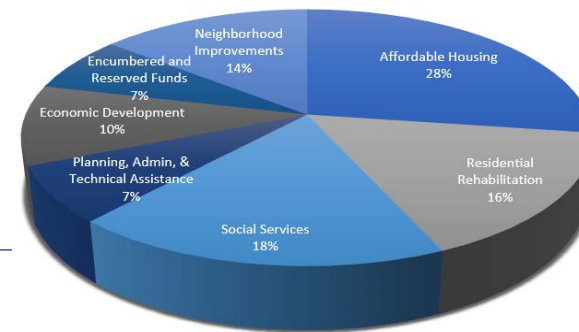
TITLE I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383) created the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. local communities are encouraged to use the resources of the CDBG Program to develop flexible, locally designed community development strategies that address the program's primary objective, that being the "... development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and suitable living environments and expanding economic development opportunities principally for persons of low and moderate income."

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2024 Allocation of Program Funding

The City of Bangor used a robust community engagement and consultation process to determine the level of funding needed to accomplish the remaining goals and benchmarks in the 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan, and released a Notice of Funding Availability in February 2024 to receive funding proposals from nonprofits, businesses, and city departments to carry out the CDBG program objectives. The resulting budget represents an approximation of the intended use of these funds. Adjustments may occur when these modifications do not result in a decrease in funding which benefits low- to moderate-income residents.



TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE FY2024: \$3,129,200
(includes carryover funds and projected program income)



Evaluation of Past Performance

The City of Bangor has demonstrated tremendous progress in meeting the goals and objectives identified in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The city most recently completed Year Four, its fourth year of that five-year Consolidated Plan. The city's successful efforts focused on activities that have positively impacted the quality of life for low and moderate-income residents.

These efforts have included increasing the amount of decent, safe and affordable housing; expanding homeownership opportunities; promoting neighborhood-based business revitalization efforts; investment in public infrastructure, facilities and parks; and providing essential public services.

An inclusive public process, community input, careful planning and a significant commitment of financial resources enabled the city to achieve strong performance across all programs and objectives despite funding constraints from HUD grants.

Bangor remains confident that its demonstrated high level of performance will be replicated during the period covered by the FY24 Action Plan.

Citizen Participation. The City's Community and Economic Development Department created the 2024 Action Plan and the FY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan with consultation from a diverse group of individuals and organizations. To ensure maximum participation, the Action Plan process included public meetings, technical assistance workshops, and distribution of information in a variety of media formats. In addition to these traditional notices, the Department also sent out emails to a cross-section of diverse neighborhood leaders, private interests, citizens and community stakeholders. Public meetings in locations accessible to persons with disabilities were convened in several times per year. The Action Plan, itself, includes an appendix with the Action Plan Calendar/Citizen Participation Process, Public Meeting Notices, Public Meeting Minutes and public comment. A draft of the 2020 Action Plan (included within the FY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan) was available for public review. Go to www.bangormaine.gov/cdbg or contact the Community Development Division at (207) 992-4280 for more information.

