

What do you think are some of the best climate investments Maine has made over the last five years?

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- All groups
- Community resilience programs
- Working waterfront projects
- Heat pump adoption
- Clean energy support
- Conservation initiatives
- Culvert improvements
- Electric vehicle infrastructure

Community resilience programs

12 responses

Community Resilience Program	Community Resilience Partnerhsip
Community Resilience Partnership, Infrastructure Adaptation Fund	Community Resiliency Grants Green Schools
Building resilient infrastructure	CRP to engage communities
Regional coordinators with the CRP	Community Action Grants
Regional Coordinators	CRP
CRP	CRP!

Working waterfront projects

10 responses

Working waterfront improvements	Waterfront improvements
Working waterfront & coastal resilience. Solar	Living Shorelines
Working lands and heritage industries	Working lands funding
Land for Maine future funding	Evaluations to show where funds should be spent across topics
Workforce	Mesonet weather stations

Heat pump adoption

8 responses

Heat pumps	Heat pumps
Heat pumps	Heat pumps
Heat Pumps	Encouraging solar and heat pumps
ev chargers, heat pumps	Heat pumps, community resiliency coordinations, recognizing that this needed a unified approach

Clean energy support

6 responses

Clean energy subsidies	Clean Energy Leadership
Solar panels	1) Efficiency Maine Programs
LMF funding	New staff appointments!

Conservation initiatives

5 responses

Conservation	Conservation
Forest conservation	Land Conservation
Creating a climate network Conservation Investing in educational outreach to the public	

Culvert improvements

4 responses

Culvert upgrades	Culverts
Expanded Culverts	Infrastructure and community enhancements

Electric vehicle infrastructure

2 responses

Electric car infrastructure	EV chargers
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In your experience, what characteristics make a climate funding or finance effort successful?

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Most popular

clarity

4

Also prominent

capacity

3

collaboration

3

community support

3

community buy in

2

ease of implementation

2

Other responses

a good plan and prioritie

1

accessible

1

actionable

1

actions reflect character

1

adaptable to local needs

1

adequate funding

1

application support

1

communication

1

community

1

community input

1

community need

1

community partnership

1

cross agency collaboratio

1

design

1

easy implementation

1

easy processes

1

educated public

1

leverages existing funds

1

popular with all politics

1

practical

1

practitioner input

1

project managers

1

public buy in

1

rapid response

1

rebates

1

relationships and trust

1

reliability

1

replicable

1

scalability

1

scalable

1

simple and low burden

1

size of investment

1

source consistency

1

stable revenue stream

1

state support

1

tax credits

1

technical support

1

transparency

1

vision

1

- All groups
- Funding Mechanisms
- Infrastructure Improvements
- School Initiatives
- Transportation Solutions
- Local Energy Production
- Community Support

Funding Mechanisms

10 responses

Longer term funding opportunities	Permanent funding
Revolving funding that can sustain itself	Incentives to broaden \$\$\$ sources
Where to prioritize funding and what types of projects to prioritize	Culvert programs How do we bridge the funding gap re: requests vs available funds
Farm sustainability funding	How to close the gap between community's funding needs and the reality of available funds
Increased funding for CRP	Building capacity for municipal reserve for resilience funding

Infrastructure Improvements

6 responses

Expanding capacity for ag & forestry	Culverts
Culvert program	Electrification for diesel trucks
More benefits for the poor.	Climate impact will worsen; how will we ramp up even more?

School Initiatives

5 responses

Enhance municipal and school partnerships	Schools
Sustainable school renovation funding	Integration of efforts
Explore NBS further	

Transportation Solutions

4 responses

More accessible public transit	More information on transportation actions and progress on these goals and funding.
Why are we not talking about funding public transportation as well as incentives for EVs?	How can we do more to alleviate the burden of super high imported fossil fuel costs in transportation and heating

Local Energy Production

3 responses

Energy Independence = generated locally	Empower people, not corporations. Focus on Small scale (home and community-level) installations of solar or other renewable sources
Expanding green banks	

Community Support

2 responses

More helping big grants reach small communities	Thinking about how we support ngos that oversee state infrastructure
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