

Fall 2022 Awards



Community Action Grants support community projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help the community adapt to climate change impacts. Communities may request up to \$50,000 individually or \$125,000 for collaborative regional proposals.

Community Action Grants			
Applicant	Award	Project title	Description
Aroostook Band of Micmacs	\$50,000	Energy Sustainability of Micmac's Hatchery using Solar Power	Expand solar energy generation to power tribe-owned fish hatchery which distributes fish to tribal members and community food pantries
Arrowsic	\$35,000	Arrowsic Climate Action and Outreach Plan	Establish a stakeholder committee; conduct a community vulnerability assessment; adopt a climate resilience plan; create an outreach program
Bar Harbor	\$50,000	Municipal Building Electrification	Energy audit for municipal building; electrification planning and outreach; energy monitoring; upgrade building envelope and lighting
Bath	\$50,000	Modernizing Municipal Facilities - Master Planning — A Model for Business and Residential Facility Upgrades	Develop a facilities master plan that: documents existing conditions; analyzes energy end use by fuel and use; provides financial analysis of energy efficiency measures; identifies long-term funding options; identifies performance metrics and verification plan
Bethel	\$50,000	Assessing and Addressing Efficiency Needs in Bethel's Buildings	Energy baseline for municipal operations; preliminary engineering assessment; complete priority weatherization projects
Blue Hill & Brooksville	\$125,000	Blue Hill-Brooksville Community Vulnerability Assessment	Hire a consultant to conduct a vulnerability assessment; hire a part time project manager
Bowdoinham	\$37,991	Energy Efficiency Improvements for the Town of Bowdoinham	Install 47 Smart Ready LED streetlights in place of utility-owned lights; Install 68 LED indoor light fixtures in town office
Brunswick	\$50,000	Brunswick Climate Action Plan	GHG inventory and set emissions reduction target; vulnerability assessment; action planning; community engagement
Camden	\$2,000	EV Purchase for Code Enforcement Officers/Plumbing Inspector	Purchase EV for code enforcement officers; install level 2 charger at public safety building for municipal fleet use; EV and Efficiency Maine education materials
Carrabassett Valley	\$28,853	EV Charging Stations - Outdoor Center	Install 2 EV chargers at town-owned outdoor center

Carthage	\$36,940	Town Office, Emergency Shelter, Community Building and Food Pantry Energy Efficiency Upgrades and Community Outreach on Energy Savings	Install heat pumps and insulation in town office; purchase energy efficient appliances for food bank and emergency shelter; window insert community build event; begin insulation project at community center building
Castine	\$50,000	Castine Public Buildings Lighting and Weatherization Upgrade	Upgrade to LED lighting at town hall, library, and elementary school; upgrade town hall insulation; replace two early 1900's exterior doors for energy efficient doors
Chebeague Island	\$50,000	Preparing for the Voyage Ahead: Building a Framework for Chebeague Island's Climate Future	Groundwater sustainability study and monitoring, including recharge, saltwater intrusion, other climate impacts; GHG inventory; vulnerability assessment; community engagement
Cumberland	\$25,000	Reduce greenhouse gas emissions of the Town of Cumberland by reducing use of fossil fuels and enhancing sequestration from natural systems	Purchase electric mower; RFP for heat pump/VRF upgrade to library heating system; provide education and native plantings at reduced cost to residents
Dover-Foxcroft	\$50,000	Developing a "Complete Streets" Redevelopment Plan for Downtown Dover-Foxcroft	Partner with Maine DOT to develop complete streets plan to reduce congestion and improve safety, air quality, public transit
Falmouth	\$50,000	Supporting Local Food Production and Social Equity: Provide Clean Energy to Hurricane Valley Farm/Cultivating Community	Install rooftop solar, battery storage, and heat pumps at Hurricane Valley Farm
Farmington	\$50,000	Farmington Community Center HVAC	Purchase and install new HVAC system for community center
Fort Kent	\$50,000	Highland Avenue Comprehensive Drainage Analysis	Culvert and storm drain mapping and inventory; precipitation and flood modeling and climate projections; planning and cost estimates
Freeport & Yarmouth	\$121,388	Freeport and Yarmouth Sustainability Partnership: Creation of a Shared Full-time Sustainability Coordinator Position	Hire a shared full-time sustainability coordinator to support climate action planning and sustainability programs; continue vulnerability assessments
Georgetown	\$39,000	Georgetown Level Three Energy Assessment & Plan for Town Buildings	Level 3 energy assessment of town office, central school, fire station, town owned First Church building, and community center; education with school and community; recommendations and plan to select board for adoption
Greenwood	\$28,649	Heating Upgrades to Municipal Buildings and Energy Fair	Upgrade three municipal buildings to heat pumps and VRF; host an energy fair; insulate Old Town Hall
Hallowell	\$2,000	Hallowell Won't Wait: EV for Hallowell Police Department's Lead Patrol Vehicle	Purchase F-150 Lightning EV pickup for police force; improve parking area and install level 2 EV charger
Harpwell	\$32,203	Town Office Energy Improvements - Phase 1	Upgrade town office to LED lighting; Level II commercial energy audit of town office to identify additional energy efficiency improvements
Islesboro	\$50,000	The Narrows and Beyond: Resilience Planner Pilot	Hire part time project facilitator; RFP for engineering firm; assess adaptation options for the Narrows using new STS SLR projections; community engagement; adopt a strategy; funding opportunity research

Jay	\$50,000	Closed Cell Spray Foam Roofing Application	Apply spray foam insulation to roof of municipal building
Kennebunkport & Kennebunk	\$125,000	Catalyzing Youth & Community in Mitigation and Adaptation to Sea-Level Rise Impacts in the Kennebunks	Youth engagement to develop adaptation options for Dock Square: youth training, community trust building; community surveys and youth-facilitated conversations; develop adaptation options; feedback analysis
Lamoine	\$50,000	Lamoine Energy Transition Project: Municipal Solar Power Purchase Agreement and Heat Pumps	Enter a PPA for electricity generated by a solar array on town building; install 10 heat pumps in various town buildings
Limestone	\$50,000	Enhance operation of solar generation equipment	Determine best option to improve efficiency of existing fixed-tilt solar array; replace defective gear sets to improve efficiency of tracker array by 10%; install fencing around sites for public safety and site security
Lisbon	\$49,897	Worumbo Waterfront Conversion	Conversion of former mill site to community green space and reduced impervious surface: Regrade, loam, and plant grass on 4.5-acre site; install 15 solar powered LED lamps; plant 15 native trees and 15 native shrubs
Livermore	\$43,647	Clean Energy for Community Buildings	Install heat pumps at town office, highway garage, and community building; install new windows at community building; upgrade to LED lighting at community building
Lubec	\$47,830	Resiliency Planning for Lubec's Future	Mapping conserved lands, floodplains, vulnerable populations; plan evacuation routes; update comp plan and emergency operations plan; communications
Millinocket	\$50,000	Heat Pumps for Millinocket Municipal Building	Install heat pumps at Town Office and fire station
Monhegan Plantation	\$11,000	Monhegan Water Company Treatment Facility Assessment	Assess public water system, including long-term climate impacts; treatment system improvements; public meeting
Mount Desert	\$49,225	Town of Mount Desert Greenhouse Gas Inventory, Municipal Solar Array Pre-Development, and Climate Vulnerability Assessment	Community GHG inventory; municipal solar array planning; Community Resilience Training; climate vulnerability assessment
North Yarmouth	\$50,000	North Yarmouth Climate Action Plan	Develop a small-town approach to climate action planning: GHG inventory and emission indicators; vulnerability assessment; action planning; community engagement; install LED lighting and heat pumps in three public buildings
Orono & Bangor	\$125,000	Bangor Region Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) Completion	Phase 2 of joint climate planning: public engagement; data compilation; generate and prioritize solutions; regional mitigation plans
Otisfield	\$40,480	Saving Energy and Protecting Watersheds	Install heat pumps in town office; revise "Protecting Otisfield's Watersheds" guidance booklet for residents and landowners; hold a public awareness event
Paris	\$41,695	Police and fire station solar upgrades	Install 144kW solar system at police station; feasibility study for solar and battery storage, heat pumps, and weatherization at fire station

Portland	\$17,000	Portland Sustainable Neighborhoods Program	Join the Sustainable Neighborhoods Network certification program and pilot with two neighborhoods; materials, translation, printing; launch and neighborhood recognition events
Rockland	\$50,000	Climate-Ready Landside Infrastructure for Rockland Downtown Waterfront	Predesign (survey and geotechnical) and preliminary engineering for landside waterfront infrastructure.
Rockport	\$50,000	Rockport Climate Vulnerability, GHG Emissions Assessment and Outreach Plan Development: Equitable and Bold Climate Strategies for Rockport's Future	Municipal and community GHG inventory; social, infrastructure, and ecosystem vulnerability assessments; outreach plan
South Portland	\$50,000	South Portland Coastal Resilience Project	Finalize dynamic coastal inundation model; develop community engagement strategy; incorporate community input into planning and policy development
St. George	\$49,600	Visualizing Solutions: Assessing Vulnerable Infrastructure & Sites, Exploring Options and Engaging the Community Through 3-D Imaging	Data acquisition; data processing and 3D modeling and visualization; mitigation analysis and design charrettes; community engagement
Surry	\$50,000	Community Vulnerability Assessment	Review plans and policies; identify climate risks and vulnerable populations; assess vulnerability of public infrastructure to flooding; identify adaptation strategies and costs; recommend a capital improvement plan that identifies sources of funding
Tremont	\$48,905	Town of Tremont Climate Resilience Planning Process with Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Vulnerability Assessment	Community GHG inventory; community engagement; Community Resilience Training; climate vulnerability assessment; climate resilience plan and implementation guide; community feedback
Waterford	\$49,979	Install renewable energy solar system on the office portion of the town municipal building.	Install 11.4 kW solar system at town municipal building
Westport Island	\$48,500	Planning for Ground Water During Climate Change on Westport Island	Well survey, water quality testing, well geodatabase; analysis of recharge, saltwater intrusion potential, land use guidance; Aquifer monitoring, salinity monitoring, long-term water supply planning; community engagement
Windowdressers (Eastport and Passamaquoddy Tribe at Pleasant Point)	\$125,000	Weatherize Eastport and Pleasant Point	Building local capacity to assist residents with window inserts, weatherization, air sealing, and heat pumps in two communities.
Woodstock	\$26,820	Energy Audit, Heat Pump Installation, and Building Capacity with a Resilience Committee	Conduct an energy audit with recommendations for 5 municipal buildings; install heat pumps in town office; establish an official stakeholder committee to manage future grant applications
Woolwich	\$10,900	Increasing Emergency Preparedness in Woolwich	Improve communications to support public health, early warnings, and response; update local hazard mitigation plan

Service Provider Grants are awarded to organizations that will support communities to get started in the Community Resilience Partnership. Service Providers will help communities take stock of previous climate-related activities, identify near-term priorities, engage their residents, and apply for their first Community Action Grant.

Service Provider Grants

Applicant	Communities	Award
207 Permaculture L3C	Durham	\$ 29,900
	New Gloucester	
	Gray	
Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments	Wilton	\$ 62,500
	Phillips	
	Eustis	
	Rangeley	
	Kingfield	
Center for an Ecology-based Economy	Casco	\$ 44,395
	Oxford	
	Hartford	
	Sumner	
	Lovell	
Greater Portland Council of Governments	Westbrook	\$ 30,000
	Gorham	
	Standish	
Island Institute	Swan's Island	\$ 31,388
	Cranberry Isles	
	Gouldsboro	
Klein Energy Consulting	Penobscot Nation	\$ 35,000
	Houlton Band of Maliseets	
Kennebec Valley Council of Governments	Chelsea	
	Freedom	\$ 19,720
	Gardiner	
Midcoast Council of Governments	Owls Head	\$ 25,000
	South Thomaston	
Sunrise County Economic Council	Whitneyville	\$ 25,000
	Roque Bluffs	
Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission	Wells	\$ 22,500
	Ogunquit	

Sunrise Ecologic	Boothbay	\$ 50,000
	Southport	
	Boothbay Harbor	
	Wiscasset	
York County Soil & Water Conservation District	Sanford	\$ 20,000
	Waterboro	