

## Michaud Announces CDBG Funding for Bangor

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"I am pleased that HUD released this funding. These grants are crucial to towns and cities in Maine,"

Michaud said. "The assistance will help to create safe, affordable, and prosperous communities for many Maine families."

According to HUD, The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. CDBG is an important tool for helping local governments tackle serious challenges facing their communities. The CDBG program has made a difference in the lives of millions of people and their communities across the nation.

In addition to the Bangor grant, HUD also awarded grants to Biddeford, Cumberland County, and Portland.

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