

BBHCC 2023-2024 Annual Report (July 1, 2023 through June 30th 2024)

**Grants Funding & Updates:**

*2023 Maine Community Foundation Community Building Grant* (\$3,610 - Thank You Cards) was awarded on May 15th 2023. **Grant report was submitted on April 24, 2024.** This one has been completed.

*Maine Community Foundation Main Charity Fund* (\$1,000 transportation grant) was awarded on September 24, 2023. **Grant report is due on December 15, 2024. This has not been completed yet but is in progress. The money was given to Bucksport Area Senior Center for use of the van for excursions.**

*2024 Maine Community Foundation Community Building Grant* (\$8,000 - Thrive General Support/Home Repair) was awarded on May 20, 2024. We also received \$2,000 in a private donation through MCF for this work. **Grant report is due on June 1st 2025. BBHCC set up a "BBHCC Healthy Homes Fund" to be used for applicants from Orland and Verona Island. To date, we have 4 applicants from Verona Island and Orland. The BBHCC fund has awarded \$750 to one applicant in Orland and \$750 to one applicant in Verona Island. Total: \$1500 used to date for Home Repair. The rest of the monies to date has been applied toward Thrive programming/administration. More applications are being accepted.**

*Age-Friendly Microgrant* - Awarded \$1,000 in 2024. "Healthy Homes for Older Adults" brochure listing vendors for home repair, the Habitat for Humanity Safety & Accessibility Home Repair program and more which was completed in July 2024. It was distributed to local agencies and handed out at the Bucksport Bay Festival in July 2024. **The grant report was completed in August 2024.**

*Age-Friendly Community Connections Microgrant* - \$9,200 applied for on September 15th, 2024 for a "Disaster Preparedness Event".

*Eastern Area Agency on Aging* - Application completed in May, 2024. Offered \$10,000 to be used for Home Repair Safety & Accessibility Home Repair program. MOU meeting between BBHCC and EAAA completed on September 18th, 2024. MOU has been signed between EAAA and BBHCC in October and is in effect.

Applied to *Versant Power* in August, 2024 - Did not receive this grant

Applied to *Bangor Savings* in June 2024- Did not receive this grant

**Fundraising Updates:**

- **Bucksport Bay Festival 2023** - Raffle yielded about \$1700 in July 2023.

- **Bucksport Bay Festival 2024** - “Get Ducky” Raffle/Fundraiser yielded \$1300 in July 2024 in donations for BBHCC.
- 2023 Donorbox donations = \$60
- 2024 Donorbox donations - \$80
- An Inaugural Annual Campaign for BBHCC will commence in November 2024

### **Programming Updates:**

Current Thrive participants = 67

Home Repair Projects applicants = 27

Home Repair completed projects = 20

Strength Training participants =

### **BBHCC Website/Blog:**

47 Blog subscribers

### **Age and Ability-Friendly Committee:**

Meetings:

2023 = 6

2024 = 9

Healthy Homes for Older Adults brochure created in July 2024