

Andwell Health Partners

Primary Care at Home for Aging Residents of Rural Maine

The grant will support project oversight and consultant expertise for planning an in-home primary care program. By the end of the grant, this project will allow Andwell to articulate the barriers to offering in-home primary care and define and develop a highly efficient and sustainable in-home primary care program model.

Community of Focus: Aging, medically-complex rural residents, their families, and caregivers

Geographic Focus: Androscoggin County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Aging & Older Adults; Rural Health

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Augusta Teen Center of the Boys and Girls Club

Teen Access to Behavioral Health Services in Capital Area

The grant will support collaborative engagement processes between teens, behavioral health providers, and the Augusta Teen Center to identify barriers to youth access of behavioral health treatment services and develop strategies for overcoming barriers. By the end of the grant period, this project will establish sustainable engagement processes between local youth, the ATC, and behavioral health service providers and a plan for increasing access to behavioral health treatment services.

Community of Focus: Youth, ages 11-18 in the Greater Augusta Area. Many facing challenges associated with race, low-income, gender identity, mental health, substance use, and unstable housing

Geographic Focus: Kennebec County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Cumberland County Public Health Department

Cumberland County Service Innovation Model (SIM) Initiative- Advancing Health Equity Among Justice-Involved People with Substance Use Disorder

The grant will assist the implementation of a community action plan to improve systems and services for justice-involved people with substance use disorder. By the end of the grant period, this project will build collaborative structures for implementing action, increase the availability and coordination of peer support, and strengthen the coordination of care for people transitioning out of Cumberland County Jail.

Community of Focus: People with substance use disorders who are involved in or at risk of involvement in the criminal legal system

Geographic Focus: Cumberland County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder

Award: Two-Year; \$100,000 Implementation Grant

HealthReach Community Health Centers

Planning for Central & Western Maine Dementia Care Systems Coordination

The grant will support bringing partner organizations and dementia caregivers together to convene a working group. By the end of the grant, we will improve communications and coordination between these stakeholders, leading to better patient outcomes and reduced stress, time, and money spent by families caring for their loved ones with such complex needs.

Community of Focus: Family caregivers for rural residents living with dementia. 30% are age 65+

Geographic Focus: Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Lincoln, Oxford, Sagadahoc, and Somerset Counties

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Aging & Older Adults; Rural Health

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Implementation Grant

Hospice Volunteers of Waldo County

Waldo County Community Supported Care for End-of-Life Program

The grant will support collaborative work with the community to host focus groups to inform the design of a model of hospice care that addresses the needs of dying people who lack family support and financial means to hire caregivers. By the end of the grant, we will have an action plan for using this community social model adapted for Waldo County.

Community of Focus: People at the end of life who, because they lack a primary caregiver and lack funds to hire one, and are ineligible for Medicare Hospice. Includes those in hospital "awaiting placement" due to the increasing scarcity of nursing home beds

Geographic Focus: Waldo County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Aging & Older Adults; Rural Health

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence

Consolidated Helpline Project

This grant will support the planning and development of a consolidated statewide helpline to ensure equitable access by and trauma responsive support and safety planning for domestic violence survivors throughout Maine.

Community of Focus: Survivors of domestic violence and those otherwise affected by domestic abuse and violence

Geographic Focus: Androscoggin County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder; Maternal and Infant Health; Rural Health

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Maine Family Planning

Health on Wheels Mobile Medical Unit

The grant will support the Health on Wheels mobile medical unit, which began operating in fall 2024. The unit expands the Reproductive Empowerment Project (REP), which reaches Mainers who can't or won't access traditional clinics. REP visits homeless camps, safe injection sites, recovery programs, and a county jail. By the end of the grant period the project expects to serve 700-1,000 people per year statewide, providing substance use disorder treatment, wound care, Hepatitis C treatment, and acute primary care.

Community of Focus: Rural Mainers that: experience or are at risk of substance use disorders, domestic violence or homelessness; were recently incarcerated; are underserved or have low incomes; are uninsured or underinsured; are migrants.

Geographic Focus: Statewide

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder; Rural Health

Award: Two-Year; \$100,000 Implementation Grant

Maine Recovery Access Project

Recovery-Friendly Housing: Policies and Practices for Landlords

The grant will support the "Recovery-Friendly Housing: Policies and Practices for Landlords" initiative which aims to address the intersection of housing stability and recovery support. This project will equip landlords with the tools and knowledge to create housing environments that support recovery and provide practical guidance for addressing challenges such as substance use by tenants.

Community of Focus: Individuals who have or are in recovery from substance use disorders and who face barriers to stable housing

Geographic Focus: Kennebec County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Milestone Recovery

Developing Harm Reduction-Based Alcohol Use Disorder Treatment for Unhoused Individuals in Maine

The grant will support developing a comprehensive approach to alcohol use disorder (AUD) treatment and will lay the groundwork for a transformative shift in how AUD is treated among unhoused individuals in Maine. By the end of the grant, community members with lived experience will have helped develop a detailed, actionable plan for implementing an improved treatment model and evidence-based strategies, tailored to this population's needs.

Community of Focus: Unhoused people in Maine with alcohol use disorder

Geographic Focus: Statewide

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder

Award: One-Year; \$30,000 Planning Grant

Preble Street

An Informed Response to Portland's Overdose Crisis

The grant will support a project to reduce overdoses in Greater Portland using solutions informed by people with lived experience of homelessness and substance use disorder. By the end of the grant this project will have leveraged Preble Street Health Services and community partner resources alongside the community of focus to increase awareness of and access to evidence-based harm reduction, treatment services, and supportive housing options.

Community of Focus: People (including BIPOC) who are experiencing homelessness, substance use disorder, and complex medical conditions

Geographic Focus: Cumberland County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder

Award: Two-Year; \$100,000 Implementation Grant

Somerset County Jail

Bridge to Reentry and Recovery

The grant will support expanded access to substance use treatment and reentry programming for individuals incarcerated at a rural Maine jail and will allow for the creation of a model that can be replicated in other Maine jails. By the end of the grant, this project will ensure that all individuals incarcerated at three rural Maine jails have access to comprehensive treatment and recovery services to enhance successful community reentry.

Community of Focus: Individuals with substance use disorder incarcerated at rural jails, many of whom have unmet social and emotional health needs

Geographic Focus: Statewide

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder; Rural Health

Award: Two-Year \$100,000 Implementation Grant

Western Maine Addiction Recovery Initiative

Enhancing Integrated Recovery Support Systems in Western Maine

The grant will support building a more integrated referral and warm hand-off approach between regional partners responding to Substance Use Disorder patients, particularly those in crisis. By the end of the grant period this project will established a sustainable, collaborative framework of partners and ensure individuals receive timely access to resources.

Community of Focus: Adults and youth in Western Maine who have substance use disorder/opioid use disorder (SUD/ODU)/or are in recovery from SUD/ODU.

Geographic Focus: Oxford County

MeHAF Strategic Priority: Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder; Rural Health

Award: Two-Year; \$100,000 Planning Grant