

# National Community Development Week 2018

## City of Portland, Maine



### What is CDBG?

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program works to ensure decent affordable housing, 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.



### What is HOME?

HOME is the largest Federal block grant to State and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. HOME's flexibility empowers people and communities to design and implement strategies tailored to their own needs and priorities.

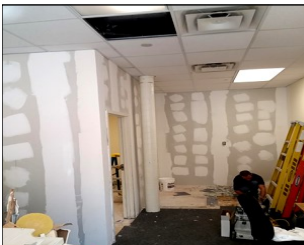


### CDBG funds at work:

**Street and Sidewalk Restoration:** The 2018 construction season will include, State Street, Oxford Street, Elm Street, Greenleaf Street Reconstruction, and ADA curb ramps at multiple locations.



**Public Facility Improvements:** 2018 will include the East Bayside Futsal Court at Kennedy Park. Past projects include Libbytown Community Garden, Kennedy Park Basketball Courts, Daugherty Field, Fox Street Field, North Street Community Gardens, Fort Allen Park



**Non-Profit Rehab:** 2018 will include Catherine Morrill Day Nursery, Catholic Charities 66 State Street, and Youth and Family Outreach. Past projects include LearningWorks, Milestone, IRIS Network, Preble Street Resource Center, Abyssinian, and Irish Heritage Center



**Economic Development:** Past grant recipients include, The City's Business Assistance Program, Living with Peace, CEI Microenterprise Assistance Program, Portland Jobs Alliance, Portland Food Co-op, Creative Portland Corp.

**Social Services:** Past grant recipients include, Preble Street, Amistad, Wayside Foods, Milestone, Catherine Morrill Day Nursery, Community Policing, The Opportunity Alliance, City of Portland Social Services Division

**Façade Program:** 2018 projects will be located on Washington Ave and Congress Street. Past projects include 11 additional businesses along Congress Street.



### HOME funds at work:

**Tenant Based Rental Assistance:** \$137,000 of annual HOME funds are utilized to pay for security deposits and short term rental assistance for individuals and families residing in homeless shelters.

**Housing Development:** Since 2000, the City of Portland and the Cumberland County HOME Consortium have invested more than \$8.3 million in HOME funding to create or renovate more than 951 units of affordable rental housing throughout Cumberland County.



**Portland projects include:** Thomas Heights, 134 Washington Ave; 409 Cumberland Avenue; 53 Danforth Street; Elm Terrace, 66 High Street; Pearl Place, 180 & 184 Pearl Street