



CITY COUNCIL ACTION

07/10/2023 23-221

Council Meeting Date: 07/10/2023

Item No: 23-221

Responsible Dept: City Manager

Requested Action: Order

Map/Lot: N/A

Title, Order

Authorizing the Award of \$415,600 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Support Bangor Area Recovery Network to Fund Recovery Community Center Improvements

Summary

This Order will authorize the award of \$415,600 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka ARPA funds) to Bangor Area Recovery Network (BARN) to fund improvements to their Recovery Community Center.

The BARN recovery community center provides peer-based services, education, outreach and advocacy for those seeking recovery, their loved ones, and the community. This project would enable BARN to address much needed renovations and improvements to address increased utility costs, develop underutilized program space, as well as other facility issues that impact their ability to meet the increase in service utilization. The current facility was built in the 1950's. The total project estimate is \$495,600, the balance of funding will be comprised of their own funds including fundraising efforts.

This award is in support of the following:

- One-time capital investment that will enhance BARN's ability to provide and expand services to individuals affected by substance use disorder in the Bangor area.
- In 2022 the center saw an estimated 2,500-3,000 visits per month. Of those visits, services were accessed by an estimated 2,114 unique individuals (56% of which reside in Bangor), and 39 individuals received recovery coaching services (77% of which reside in Bangor).

Committee Action

Committee: Council Workshop
Action: Recommend for passage

Meeting Date: 07/05/2023
For: _____ Against: _____

Staff Comments & Approvals

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City Manager

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City Solicitor

Handwritten signature of the Finance Director.

Introduced for: New Business



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Assigned to Councilor: Pelletier

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WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Heart of Maine United Way, the City of Bangor conducted an open and public application process to determine distribution of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; and

WHEREAS, the application from Bangor Area Recovery Network to fund recovery community center improvements ranked highly in the initial citizen panel review process; and

WHEREAS, the award will provide one-time funding for capital improvements that will mitigate future operating costs and expand needed program space in support of individuals who are experiencing or impacted by substance use disorder;

Now, Therefore, Be it Ordered by the City Council of the City of Bangor that, \$415,600 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds are awarded to Bangor Area Recovery Network to fund improvements to their recovery community center.