Maine Alliance for Health and Prosperity Policy Crosswalk

How is the Crosswalk organized?

- Major reports published in Maine between 2019 and 2021 that address issues of health, economic prosperity or equity appear on the **top row** of this chart (URLs for each report appear at the end of the Crosswalk document).
- Issues of interest to the Maine Alliance for Health and Prosperity appear in the **left-hand** column.
- Policy, strategic and/or funding recommendations that intersect with MAHP's issues of interest are displayed in the boxes.
- Matches across rows or down columns indicate **potential priority "sweet spots"** for the Alliance.

Why did we create the Crosswalk? Several high profile reports published in the past two years have focused on what it will take to improve Maine's economy so that all people and communities benefit. Many of these reports also called for new and related measures to address equity. NOTE: improving Maine's health as a fundamental strategy to improve both economic prosperity AND equity is a major gap – and opportunity—for the Alliance.

The Crosswalk creates a visual document that displays commonalities across policy reports.

The Crosswalk also provides **validation** for the Alliance approach of connecting health, prosperity, and equity. Given that the number of people contributing to these reports ranks in the hundreds, it is gratifying to see so many policy leaders reaching the same conclusions.

How Can the Alliance Use This? MAHP's unique vision is to promote action on traditionally siloed systemic issues by looking at them through a **tri-part lens of health**, **equity**, and **economic prosperity**. The Crosswalk should help us use our lens and narrow our focus on policy issues, especially given the infusion of federal ARPA funds into so many areas of need. Alliance members will then need to define how best to "weigh in" on those issues.

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Source/Issue	Maine Economic Development Strategy	Economic Recovery Committee	Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan	MDF-Measures of Growth	MDF-ARPA Crosswalk	LD1733/ARPA Funds	Maine Won't Wait	Ending Hunger in Maine By 2030	EHM 2030 Impacted Community Report
Childcare	Increase workforce salary, create world class system	\$ for recovery and stabilization of system	Expand early childhood infrastructure		Expand early childhood infrastructure	Childcare facilities \$5M		Increase access to affordable childcare	Universal childcare needed
Labor/workforce	Increase labor force, help New Americans qualify for work	Training and dislocated worker programs	Equity, career exploration. Health care workforce init.	Total employment, workforce numbers	Increase total workforce numbers. Health workforce init.			Ed. and training needed to foster econ. stability	"Thriving," not minimum, wages needed. Universal basic income needed
Housing	Workforce housing production	Housing for homeless and vets. Rental assistance programs	Build more affordable workforce housing	Housing affordability	Build more affordable workforce housing	Affordable workforce housing \$10M. Operating funds for homeless shelters \$10M. Housing navigators \$1.5M.	Renewable energy in public housing	Provide safe and healthy place to live	Increase number of rental vouchers Institute rent caps
Transportation	Establish funding system for public transit	Roads and bridges infrastructure	Roads and bridges infrastructure, rural transportation pilot	Transportation infrastructure	Roads and bridges, rural transportation pilot	Workforce transportation pilots (esp. rural) \$2M	Increase public transportation funding	Underlying issue for econ. stability	
Connectivity	Loan guarantees for financing, local planning grants, Connect ME grants	Increase access to underserved	Establish Maine Connectivity Authority, universal availability	Broadband, connectivity	Maine Connectivity Authority, \$50M	Expand access, especially for disadvantaged groups \$10M			
Environment	Quality of place investments		Drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, clean energy, energy efficiency, climate change protection	Air, water quality, safety and crime	Clean energy, climate change, state parks, drinking water and wastewater infrastructure	Treatment of drinking water for PFAs \$2.5M. Municipal wastewater projects \$10M. Septic repair projects \$1M. Infrastructure improvements at state parks \$10M.	Wastewater, drinking water, public engagement about climate change, land conservation, clean transportation		Pass stronger regs to protect indigenous food supply and sustenance rights
Equity	Increase labor force, New Americans quality for work, community hub gaps	Equal access to benefits through pandemic. Housing assistance. Undertake DEI init.	Business diversity, advance equity initiative	Racial and ethnic income equity	Black-owned business development, higher ed and employment, equity navigators, rural worker initiative	Business development \$800K. Training \$500K. Workforce development \$1.5M. Employment services for underserved \$500k. Transportation and childcare service for underserved workers \$1.8M. Workforce diversity req. for MSHA contracts.	Targeted goals and metrics for key populations and groups		Pay reparations to descendants of enslaved and colonized people. Pass stronger regs to protect indigenous food supply and sustenance rights
Food		Ag, seafood processing. Leverage	Ag, seafood processing	Food security		Food processing \$20M. Seafood \$10M		Multisector approach needed for assuring food security	Hunger is a symptom of poverty—address root

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		fed \$ for food insecurity.						causes of poverty in a comprehensive way.
Healthcare/ insurance costs	Control health insurance costs		Lower health Insurance costs	Cost of healthcare	Premium assistance for small business \$20M.		Eliminate health disparities	Universal healthcare needed Expand detox and reproductive care services
Public health infrastructure	Promote community hubs of excellence, identify gaps for hubs.	Strengthen PH infrastructure. Ensure access to preventive and high- quality health care).			Public water system improvements \$10M. Shellfish monitoring \$475k. Well water testing for low-income residents \$51k. PH infrastructure to reduce disparities \$500k.	Strengthen PH monitoring, education, and prevention of health outcomes. Empower local and regional community resilience initiatives. Wastewater, drinking water improvements.		

LD 1733: http://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/summary.asp?paper=SP0577&SessionID=14

- Maine Economic Development Strategy 2020-2029: https://www.maine.gov/decd/sites/maine.gov.decd/files/inline-files/DECD 120919 sm.pdf
- Governor's Economic Recovery Committee: https://www.maine.gov/future/sites/maine.gov.future/files/inline-files/Maine%20ERC%20Report_FINAL_11242020.pdf
- Maine Jobs and Recovery Plan: https://www.maine.gov/covid19/sites/maine.gov.covid19/files/inline-files/MaineJobs%26RecoveryPlan.pdf
- MDF Measures of Growth: https://www.mdf.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/20-043 MDF MOGReport2020Websingle-pages-FNL-02FullReport.pdf

MDF-ARPA Crosswalk: internal document

Maine Won't Wait: https://www.maine.gov/future/sites/maine.gov.future/files/inline-files/MaineWontWait_December2020.pdf

Ending Hunger in Maine by 2030: https://www.maine.gov/dacf/about/endhunger/docs/ending-hunger-in-maine-ld1159-v3.pdf

EHM 2030 Impacted Community Report: Final Draft EHM 2030 Impacted Community Report 6.24.21.pdf - Google Drive