

GRANT PROJECT UPDATES

AUGUST 2026



OPPORTUNITY ZONES

TO BEGIN 1/1/2027

Caribou has applied for inclusion in the program. The White House sent a clarifying memo in mid-July. We expect to receive an announcement from the Governor's office this fall.



CDBG: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

\$30,000

Helping a local business with equipment



NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION (NBRC)

RIVERFRONT PLAN & PROJECTS \$472,550

- The Riverfront Master Plan is in its final stages. Both the Railroad Station and Starch Plant have been purchased. The Starch Plant RFP for demolition is now being advertised.

CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING REQUESTS

SENATOR COLLINS:

FY23 - POLICE STATION

\$2.5 MILLION

The City Council is now looking into the refurbishment of an existing building. Harriman has been selected to assist with this search

\$4.459 MILLION

FY23 - CARIBOU POND & PARK RECLAMATION PROJECT

Project Manager contract has been awarded to Aviest Engineering of Caribou. Soderberg Construction of Caribou has been awarded the contract for excavation.

FY24 - IMPROVEMENTS TO FIRE STATION

\$1.359 MILLION

Design and Engineering contract awarded to Harriman. Amanda Jandreau of Caribou is the project lead. Buildings Etcetera of Houlton has been awarded the contract for renovations.

SENATOR KING:

FY24 - ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS AT LIBRARY

Staff has been in touch with Senator King's office.



EPA BROWNFIELDS

FY2023 CLEANUP GRANT

\$900,000

- Demolition completed.

FY2025 CLEANUP GRANT

\$4 MILLION

- QEP contract awarded to Sevee & Maher.

FY2026 ASSESSMENT GRANT

\$500,000

- Assessment Grant awarded and paperwork is complete, waiting for the EPA Cooperative Agreement

RLF AT BIRDSEYE: In process with County Environmental Engineering.



MAINE
CONNECTIVITY
AUTHORITY

\$1.8 MILLION

This is a fully funded project at the Caribou Public Library. A.M. Construction is the contractor with several local sub-contractors.

ARPA NEU FUNDS:

ALL FUNDS MUST BE SPENT BY 12/31/2026

ARPA - AROOSTOOK COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS

FY2022 \$150,000 Fire Department Upgrades

FY2023 \$100,349 Public Safety Equipment: COMPLETE

FY2024 \$269,425 Fire Department Upgrades

FY2024 \$100,000 Public Safety Equipment: COMPLETE



DECD HOUSING OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM GRANT

HOUSING NEEDS & ACTION PLAN

\$30,000

- COMPLETE

ORDINANCE UPDATES

\$10,000

- For ordinance amendments to comply with recent land use statutes.



FAA/MAINE DOT AVIATION DIV.

APRON PROJECT \$628,445

SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT \$545,000

Both projects are complete.

Care. Envision. Do. CARIBOU 2036

CARE for our community, **ENVISION** the future, then help Caribou **DO** what it takes to make it happen!

Did you know that a successful grant application starts with well-constructed planning documents? The City of Caribou is working on their 2026-2036 Comprehensive Plan which will be the foundation for grant applications going forward.

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