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Greater East Grand Region Economic Planning Effort Gets Fully Funded

The Maine Community Foundation has recently awarded a grant of \$10,000 toward the Greater East Grand Region Economic Planning effort. This award brings to completion the monies necessary to fully fund the project. Sarah Strickland of Strategic Wisdom Partners in Robbinston, Maine is Project Director.

Over the next few months, Strickland and the team will be meeting with groups and individuals within each community to identify key assets with potential economic benefit. The final report will focus on combined strengths, gaps, connections and recommendations for action. The underlying goal of the planning effort is to overcome past

administrative, financial, political and regulatory barriers thus economically elevating the Greater East Grand Region within the State of Maine.

The planning team would like to thank all those who have provided funding and incentive for this project. Partnering organizations include: Citizens Organization for Rural Education, the Greater East Grand Lake Chamber of Commerce, Machias Savings Bank, East Grand School, the Towns of Danforth and Weston, Sunrise

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