

2026 Maine Association of REALTORS® Foundation Competitive Grant

Organization Name: _____

Organization Mission Statement:

MAR Foundation Request: \$_____ Total Project/Program Budget \$_____

Project/Program Geographic Service Area: _____

Describe the housing project/program for which you are seeking a grant. Please provide your response in the spaces/boxes provided. No additional pages allowed, unless necessary for the budget.

1) One sentence description of your plan for grant funds from the MAR Foundation:

How many people/families will be directly served by the requested funds? _____

2) Describe your Project/Program (50 points): *(In 3,000 characters or less, respond to these bullets)*

- What are the expected goals and results of this specific project/program?
- What makes this project/program unique in your community?
- Name any partner organizations involved in this project/program.
- What is the target population (income level, age, gender, race/ethnicity, geography, etc.).
- How much money or other resources will the project/program leverage?

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3) Project Implementation (25 points): *(In 2,000 characters or less, respond to these bullets)*

- When will the project/program be operational? What is the planned completion date?
- How will the work get done?
- What internal resources will your organization contribute to this work?
- What are your plans for future funding/sustainability of this project/program?

4) Total Budget for your Project/Program (25 points)

Funding Sources (List all Confirmed and Potential Sources – use additional page if necessary)	Amount	Funding Already Secured? (Y/N)	Commitment Date/Expected Commitment Date
1.	\$		
2.	\$		
3.	\$		
4.	\$		
A. Total project/program budget:	\$	-----	-----
How will the funds be used? Expenditure Categories	MAR Foundation Grant Request	Funds from Other Sources	Total
1.	\$	\$	\$
2.	\$	\$	\$
3.	\$	\$	\$
4.	\$	\$	\$
5.	\$	\$	\$
6.	\$	\$	\$
B. Total project/program budget:	\$	\$	\$

The third column under Funding Uses - Total project/program (B) should equal Funding Sources - Total project/program Budget (A)

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5) Please provide these required enclosures:

- If new multifamily construction or multifamily rehab, enclose construction and operating budgets.
- Board of Directors list with affiliations and locations
- Most recent audited financial statements or similar financial statements if you do not have audited financials.
- Copy of IRS ruling letter (for non-profit corporations)

6) The 2026 grant program has the following policies. Please do not complete the application if you do not agree to these conditions:

- MAR Foundation funding will be used for housing assistance for families who meet income guidelines as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- The mission of the REALTORS® Affordable Housing Fund is “to provide financial resources to groups and organizations for the purpose of funding activities, programs, and services which directly or indirectly expand, create, maintain, or encourage the development of decent, suitable shelter and housing opportunities in Maine, including heating assistance, for individuals and families with low, very low, or no income.”
 - Examples of eligible grant funded project/programs may include, but are not limited to: buying or building new housing; energy, health and/or safety repairs to improve and maintain existing housing; down payment, mortgage, rent, fuel, and/or security deposit assistance; emergency housing services for people experiencing homelessness, etc.
 - MAR Foundation grant dollars may not be used for non-housing related expenses such as food or gift cards to purchase household or personal care supplies; transportation or relocation costs, such as moving truck; clothing; childcare; direct payments to clients; staff recruitment; office equipment; legal fees; fences; playground equipment; security systems; religious programming; fundraisers; market or feasibility studies; vital documents to obtain identification cards; lobbying or political activities; etc.
- Grant funds must be expended within 12 months after payment is issued. Grantees must submit a completion report after funds are fully expended. The MAR Foundation will forward the one-page completion report separately.
- Any publicity surrounding the proposed project/program must refer to the support provided by the Maine Association of REALTORS® Foundation.
- No part of the grant may be used for purposes not outlined in this application nor be sub-granted to a secondary grantee.
- The applicant does not discriminate for service, membership or leadership based on race, color, sex, physical or mental disability, familial status, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender identify, or national origin as defined in Maine state law or because the person sought and received an order for protection under Title 19-A, section 4007.

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- The listing and/or sale of any real property within the scope of this grant application shall not exclude the use of a REALTOR® in the real estate transaction.

7) Signature

I certify that the information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. This application shall remain the property of the Maine Association of REALTORS® Foundation.

Applicant Printed Name

Applicant Signature

Title

Date

Applicant Information:

Contact Person and Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION:

Completed applications must be emailed to foundation@mainerealtors.com or received in the MAR Foundation Office at 19 Community Drive in Augusta prior to **March 27, 2026 at noon**. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered. All submissions require a signature. Faxed applications will not be accepted. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis.