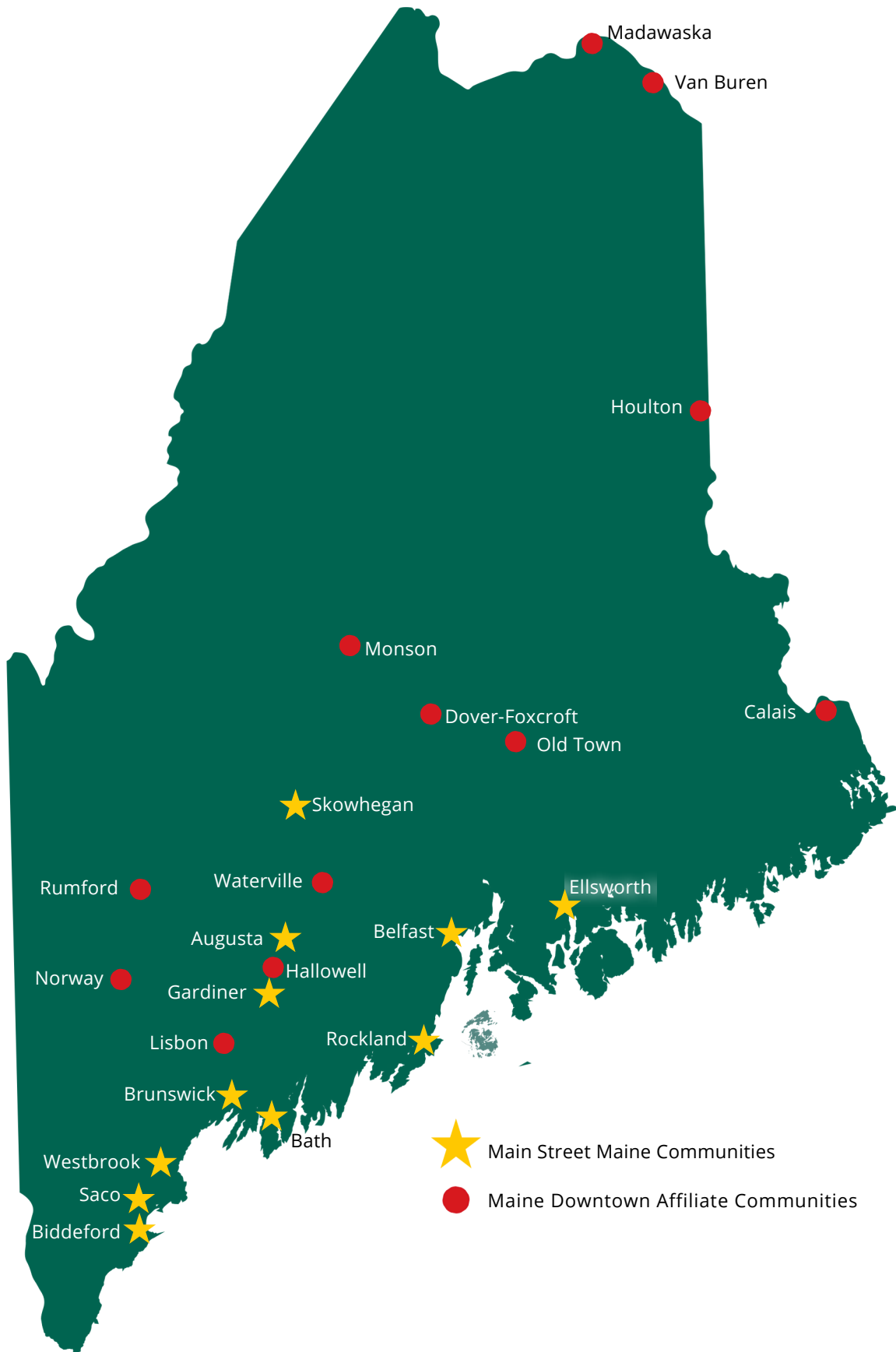


ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES



Current as of March 2025

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

APPLICANTS: Non-profit organizations, government entities, educational organizations, and private property owners who own buildings or structures listed in, or eligible to be listed in, the National Register of Historic Places (Register).

PROPERTIES: To apply for a subgrant the property must meet ALL the following conditions:

- Be individually listed in the Register, or be classified as a contributing resource within a National Register listed district, at the national, state or local level of significance;
- Be a non-residential, non-religious building or structure (residential units as part of a mixed-use building are eligible, but not free-standing residential structures);
- Be significant under Criterion A or B in the areas of Commerce, Government/Politics, Education, Economics, Entertainment/Recreation, Health/Medicine, Industry, Performing Arts, or Social History, or, under Criterion C for Architecture, Art or Engineering;
- Be located in a downtown area of one of the 22 MDC communities classified as current National Main Street or Maine Downtown Affiliate Community. See map above;
- Be located in a municipality or unorganized territory with a population of 50,000 or less as determined by the 2020 U.S. Census
 - https://www.maine-demographics.com/cities_by_population ; and,
- Be a project that has the potential to catalyze continued investment in the historic downtown.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:

Buildings, structures, sites and objects listed in the Register deteriorate over time; therefore, these properties require periodic work to preserve and protect their historic significance and integrity. Eligible projects include activities that preserve or restore historic properties, and may include exterior, interior, or historic landscape work, as well as limited updating of HVAC systems. The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties define appropriate preservation and restoration treatments for historic properties. Project-specific plans and specifications that meet the SOIS for the Treatment of Historic Properties must be complete at time of application and submitted with application for review.