

– Massachusetts – COMMUNITY HEALTH AND HEALTHY AGING FUNDS

### Massachusetts Community Health & Healthy Aging Funds Policy, Systems, and Environmental funding stream office hours

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## Introductions



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## Objectives

- Understand the Funds' policy, systems & environmental (PSE)change Funding Stream
- Answer Funding Opportunity Questions

## The Approach

## Funding Opportunity At-A-Glance

Available Funding	Planning: Up to \$50K/yr, 1-2 yrs Full: Up to \$200K/yr, 3-5 yrs	
Grant Start Date	July 1 <sup>st</sup> 2024	
Eligible Applicants	Massachusetts-based non-profit 501(c)3 organizations or groups with a 501(c)3 fiscal sponsor, quasi-governmental organizations and municipalities are eligible t apply.	
<b>Eligible Activities</b> Community-centered approaches that improve population health outcome address social determinants of health, and disrupt the root causes of heal inequities through policy, systems, and environmental change approaches		
Application Deadline	Friday, March 29, 2024, at 11:59 PM EST	
Contacts	MACHHAFunds@hria.org	
Website	www.mahealthfunds.org/apply	

## **Funds Vision & Mission**



#### Vision

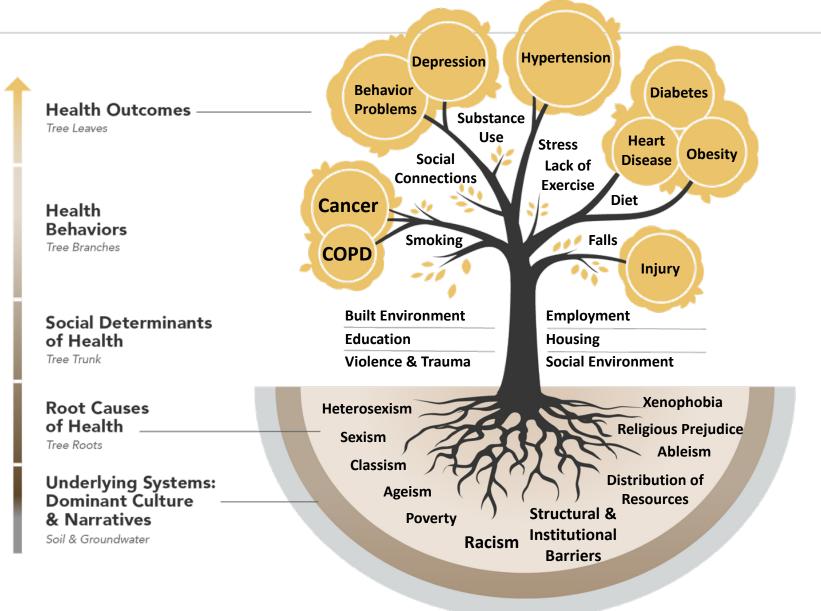
The MA CHHA Funds, through contributions to equitable systems across sectors and the explicit prioritization of people of color and older adults, envisions Massachusetts communities that are transformed so that all residents have an equitable opportunity to have the highest quality of life possible.



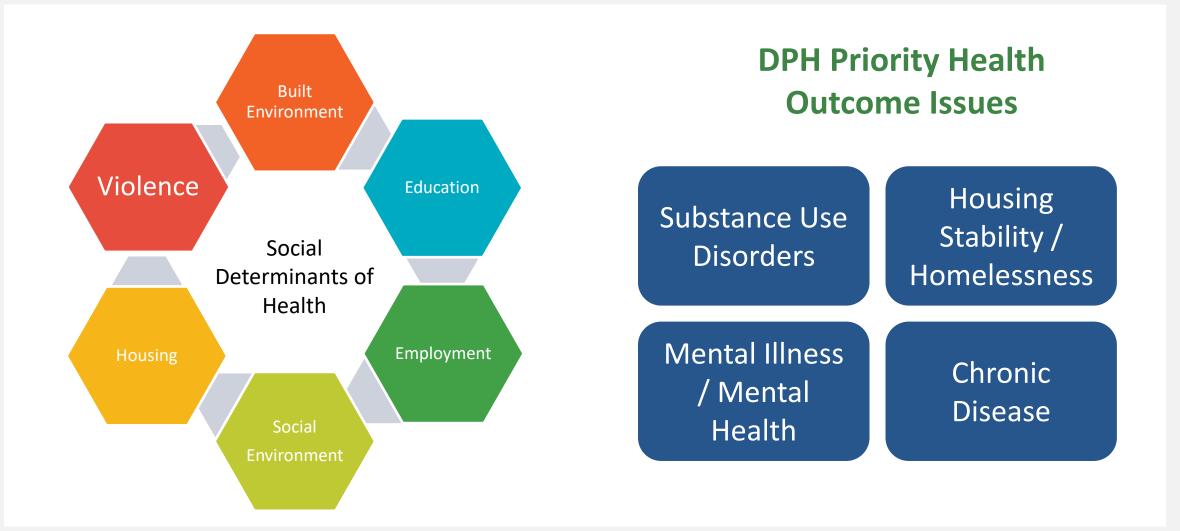
#### **Mission**

Disrupt and remove barriers to health by investing in community-centered innovative change approaches targeting the root causes of inequitable health outcomes.

## What do we mean when we talk about health?



## **Prioritized SDoH and Health Outcome Areas**



## **Grant Award Length and Amount**

- We will provide Planning Grant and Full grant
  - Full: Up to \$200K/yr, 3-5 yrs
  - Planning: Up to \$50K/yr, 1-2 yrs
  - \*\* Applicant cannot apply for the full grant and the planning grant at the same time.

## Policy, Systems, & Environmental (PSE) Change Approaches

#### A Programs Approach



Hosting a community bike ride



VS.

Implementing a Complete Streets policy to ensure community roads are designed to be safe and accessible for all users

Agreement enabling community members

to have access to the school's gym and fields when school is not in session

Implementing a town-wide Joint Use

A PSE Change Approach



Having an "open gym night" at a local school



Working with a corner store to become a designated Healthy Market



Opening and maintaining a community garden



Creating a city-wide healthy retail program that supports food retailers to offer a variety of products and fresh, affordable healthy foods



Passing a municipal urban agriculture ordinance or policy which allows residents to use space for community gardens

## **PSE Awardee Examples-CHAPA**

#### Issue

Stable, healthy, affordable housing is a key social determinant of health. Numerous studies have shown that where we live matters greatly to our health. The financial burden of trying to maintain an unaffordable roof over one's head often prevents individuals and families from paying for other necessities, such as adequate nourishment, heat, clothing and health care. Housing instability can result in emotional, behavioral and mental health deficiencies. Those who are homeless see these health outcomes exacerbated.

### **Solutions**

- 1. Creation of local affordable housing coalitions
- 2. Increased participation of people at risk of housing instability
- 3. Increased participation by non-traditional stakeholders in each local housing coalition
- 4. Myth-busting and public education through affordable housing 101 sessions in English and Spanish
- 5. Convening of all MEI supported local housing coalitions

Health Outcome Housing Stability/Homeles sness Root Causes of Health Outcomes

Structural & Institutional Racism; Racial Inequities

## **PSE Awardee Examples-Springfield EATS**

#### Issue

Springfield has the largest number of SNAP recipients per capita in MA but ranks in the lowest number of HIP users and have the highest gap in the numbers of SNAP eligible but unenrolled residents Most SNAP recipients do not know they have HIP benefits or if they have, do not understand how it works or where to use it. There are not enough farmer's markets in Springfield and other Gateway cities to meet the needs of structurally marginalized residents for fresh, culturally appropriate healthy food.

## **Solutions**

- 1. Increase Residents Engagement by conducting a community food assessment in collaboration with partner agencies and residents.
- 2. Increase community awareness on HIP benefit through collaborative activities, social media
- 3. Enroll local corner stores to increase capacity to offer HIP benefits. Support delivery of produce; equipment needed; communication supplies and training on how to execute the program.

Health Outcome Mental Illness and Mental Health Root Causes of Health Outcomes

Structural & Institutional Racism; Racial Inequities

# The Grantmaking Process

## **Grantmaking Process**



(Jan 17-Mar 20)

Application Deadline

(March 29 at 11:59 PM EST)

Application Status Notification

(Receive notification in June)

#### Awards Start

(July 2024)

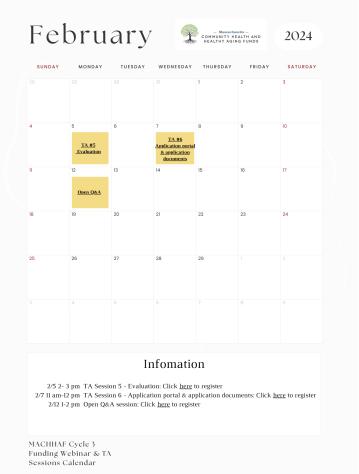
## Funding Stream Comparison

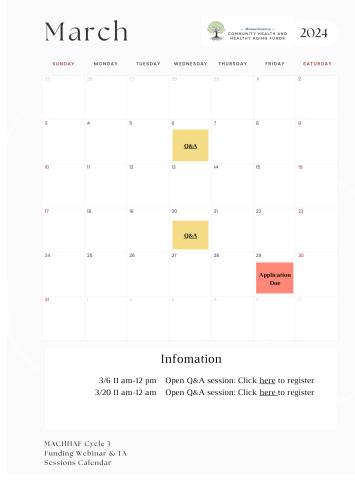
Funding Streams¤	PSE¤	CHIP¤	Healthy Aging¤
Approach¤	Policy, systems, and environmental change approaches – local, regional, or statewide levels¤	Local and regional Community health improvement planning¤	Healthy aging focused policy, systems, and environmental change approaches – local, regional, or statewide levels¤
Priority Geography¤	Communities outside of Boston that have not historically and routinely benefitted from <u>DoN</u> dollars and have high rates of health inequities¤	Communities outside of Boston that have not historically and routinely benefitted from <u>DoN</u> dollars and have high rates of health inequities¤	Gateway cities and rural areas that have not routinely benefitted from previous local <u>DoN</u> funding¤
Priority Populations¤	Communities with high rates of health inequities¤	Communities with high rates of health inequities¤	Older adults; communities with high rates of health inequities¤
Who can apply¤	Organizations or coalitions who meet eligibility criteria¤	Organizations or coalitions leading or participating in a collaborative CHIP process, who meet eligibility criteria¤	Organizations or coalitions who meet eligibility criteria¤
Award Amounts¤	Planning: Up to \$50K/yr, 1-2 yrs¶ Full: Up to \$200K/yr, 3-5 yrs¤	Planning: Up to \$50K/yr, 1-2 yrs¶ Full: Up to \$375K total, 35yr¤	Planning: Up to \$50K/yr, 1-2 yrs Full: Up to \$100K/yr, 3-5 yrs¤

# Next Steps

## **Application Support Calendar**







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## Any Questions?

