

# River Coalition

## *Building Partnerships for Safe and Healthy Communities*

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Vision: Our communities are safe and healthy places to live, work and play. Our communities are supportive places to raise a child, to be a child, to promote responsible and involved citizenship and to encourage lifelong learning.

Mission: To ensure our communities are safety and healthy by enabling collaboration, strengthening partnerships, and assisting in resource development.

We accomplish our mission by working collaboratively to assess our communities, identify needs, and build on our strengths to develop strategies that are designed to impact families and youth in order to positively influence the culture of our communities.

As a river gains strength through its tributaries, so does the River Coalition gain in its unity.

Communities served: Alton, Bradley, Greenbush, Milford, Penobscot Nation, and Old Town

Programs offered or sponsored:

- Afterschool Programs
  - Academic Support
  - Enrichment Activities
  - Sports
- Mentoring
- Bookworms/CRAP
- You Be The Judge
- Reconnecting Youth
- YMCA Computer Rm
- Youth Council
- Service Learning
- Guiding Good Choices
- Family Matters
- Substance Prevention Activities
- Transition Activities
- Community Support

Funding Sources: State of Maine, Dept of Education (21st Century Grants)  
State of Maine, Maine Office of Substance Abuse  
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (federal)  
Communities for Children & Youth  
Maine Mentoring Partnership  
Maine Indian Education  
Friends of the River Coalition  
Municipal and Business Partners  
Private Donations

Community Partners:

- City of Old Town
- Old Town Police Dept
- Old Town Public Library
- Old Town Recreation Dept
- Old Town Elementary School
- Leonard Middle School
- Old Town High School
- Union 90
  - Alton Elementary
  - Helen S. Dunn School
  - Lewis Libby School
  - Viola Rand School
- Orono Police Dept
- Old Town – Orono YMCA
- Penobscot Nation
- Chief Kirk Francis
- Police Department
- Cultural and Historic Preservation
- Indian Island School
- Crossroads Ministries
- Department of Corrections
- University of Maine

Regional/State Partners:

Afterschool for All, Project 2010  
America's Promise  
AmeriCorps  
Bangor Region Partners for Health  
Communities for Children & Youth  
Jobs for Maine Grads  
Maine Afterschool Network  
Maine Mentoring Partnership  
Penobscot Community Health Center

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