

Maine uses a statewide Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness and a non-siloed, collaborative approach for efficient use of all available resources, with everyone all pushing in the same direction to end homelessness. Here's how:

Representatives:
RIIHC, RIIHC, RIHC,
MH, DHHS, DOC, BVS
Role: Policy, Vision,
Planning, Priorities,
Strategies

Statewide Homeless Council

Vision, Plan, & Strategies for Ending Homelessness in Maine

MCOC Support Staff

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RI HC
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DOC
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Ending Homelessness Resources Prioritization Chart

HUD CoC Homeless Assistance Grant funds

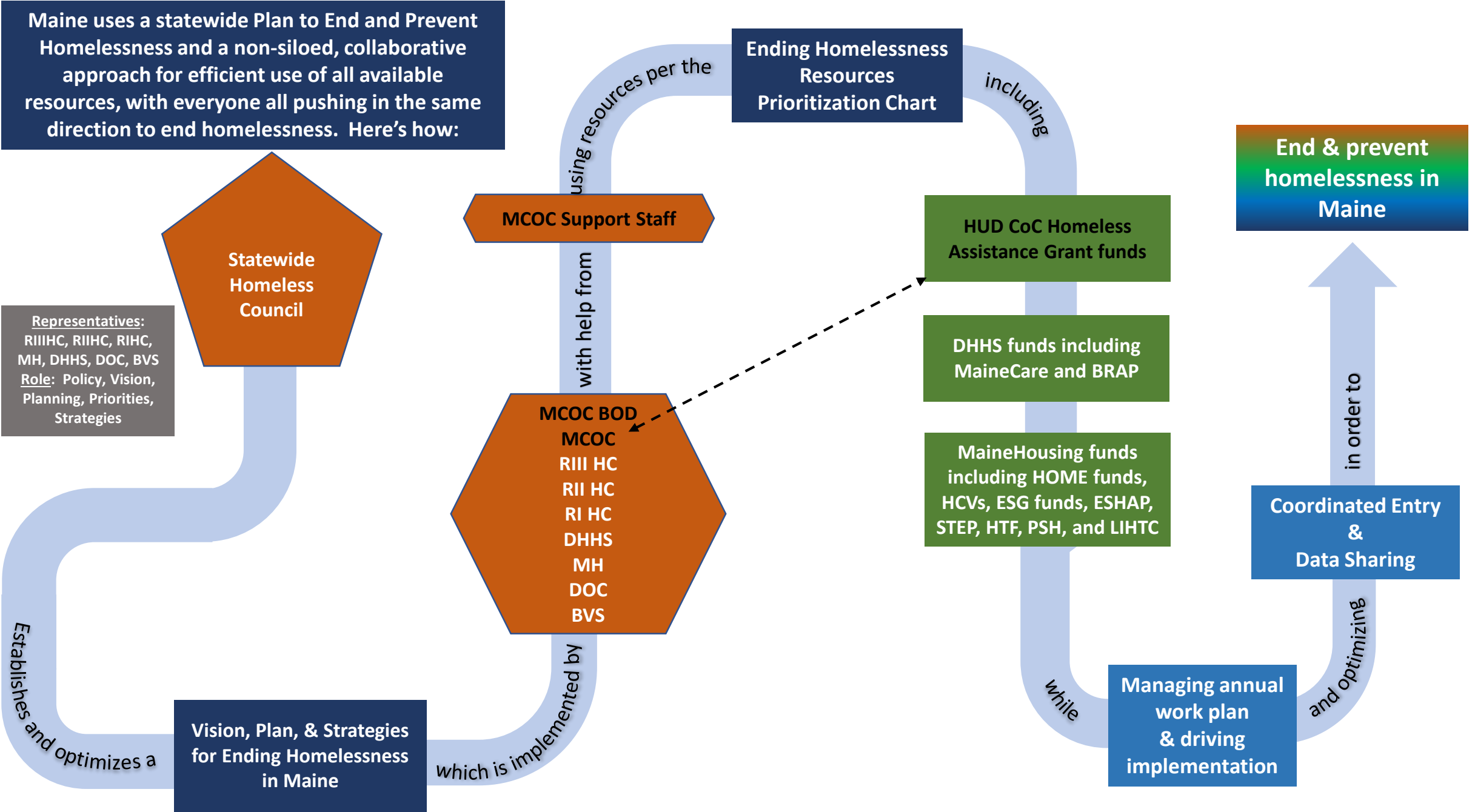
DHHS funds including MaineCare and BRAP

MaineHousing funds including HOME funds, HCVs, ESG funds, ESHAP, STEP, HTF, PSH, and LIHTC

Managing annual work plan & driving implementation

End & prevent homelessness in Maine

Coordinated Entry & Data Sharing



The CoC is a group organized to carry out the responsibilities required by HUD, as mandated by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (as amended by the HEARTH Act) and the CoC Rule (24 CFR part 578). As such, the CoC oversees a number of significant funding sources specific to homelessness including Homeless Assistance Grants and ESG.

HUD is very prescriptive in what it requires CoCs to do, per federal regulation – this is really a full-time effort, and ironically one which allows very little time for deep policy thought about homelessness. The CoC is often busied by efforts, much of which is meeting HUD requirements, to best position Maine to continue receiving \$12 million in CoC funding, the backbone of funding around homelessness efforts. The MCOC carries out this task-oriented, operational work per the vision, plan, and strategies developed and optimized by the SHC, and targets funding priorities in accordance with the Ending Homelessness Resources Prioritization Chart to ensure HUD funds get to the ideal places to end homelessness in Maine.

