



A LOT HAS HAPPENED IN BUCKSPORT RECENTLY...



The mill closure in 2014 was an enormous loss to our community. But many people stepped forward to help plan a way to a positive future. They joined the efforts already under way by the Town of Bucksport, the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber, and many others. Here is a brief recap of the work that's happened since...

We celebrated our 225th birthday thanks to the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber & the Town



Bucksport NEXT formed to help facilitate good communication between groups.

Bucksport Bay Area Chamber events attended by over 30,000 people

The Town of Bucksport created the Parade of Lights & Holiday lighting ceremony.

EMDC led the ADAPT plan resulting in a blueprint for our future thanks to a \$200K grant from the EPA

Heart & Soul collected 200 stories that led to 9 community value statements and 82 project ideas

The Comp Plan was passed in 2017 after years of hard work by many people.



The Buck Memorial Library created the storywalk on the waterfront walkway.

Bucksport in Yankee Magazine "The Town That Refused To Die"

the YMCA came to town!

Main Street Bucksport's events were attended by over 10,000 people.

Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition returned to its all volunteer roots.

Pat Ranzoni published Still Mill with 100s of contributors and \$3000 in royalties donated to the Historical Society to date



Friends of Ft. Knox and Great Pond Mt. Conservation Trust welcomed new leadership and said goodbye to longtime beloved Executive Directors.

We are excited to welcome Whole Oceans & Maine Maritime Academy to town!

The Historical Society is creating an inventory of their collection and creating new fundraisers.

10 new business have opened downtown and more in the industrial park

THESE INITIATIVES & EFFORTS HAVE GENERATED...

\$95,000 IN EVENT INCOME & DONATIONS

\$83,000 IN GRANT FUNDING

MADE POSSIBLE IN PART BY \$81,000 IN MUNICIPAL FUNDING THAT'S ALMOST A 2:1 RETURN *

THIS WORK HAPPENED BECAUSE OF THE DEDICATION OF OVER 200 VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTING OVER 26,000 HOURS. THANK YOU!

* total event income, donations, grant and municipal funding received by Wednesdays on Main, Heart & Soul, and Main Street Bucksport. Data compiled by Wednesdays on Main and MSB.