## **BCDI Values Statement**

For generations, the people in Bowdoinham have been peaceful, welcoming, and respectful of different traditions, cultural heritages, and life experiences. Our community is strong because we are committed to inclusion across race, gender, age, religion, and sexual orientation. We are a diverse mix of blue collar and white collar, young and old, liberal and conservative, from here and from away. We are proud to support each other and our community in good times and bad. Artists, musicians, and craftspeople are abundant and appreciated. Small businesses and entrepreneurship are encouraged. New Americans and people who have lived here for generations are included in planning for our community's future. Though proud to be local, Bowdoinham people are connected to the region and the world. BCDI supports these values through our work in the community.