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The domestic trade grant awarded by the DECD was instrumental in our growth. Without this grant we would not have been able to double our programming, take on ambitious projects, increase capacity, and begin planning for a capital campaign. This grant contributed immensely to making 2024 a wildly successful year for Lights Out.

The Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan domestic trade grant enabled a community event that brought 1,000 people to Norway, Maine and caused nearly every downtown business to have one of their best sales days all year; all at a time where business is usually slowing down for the season.