

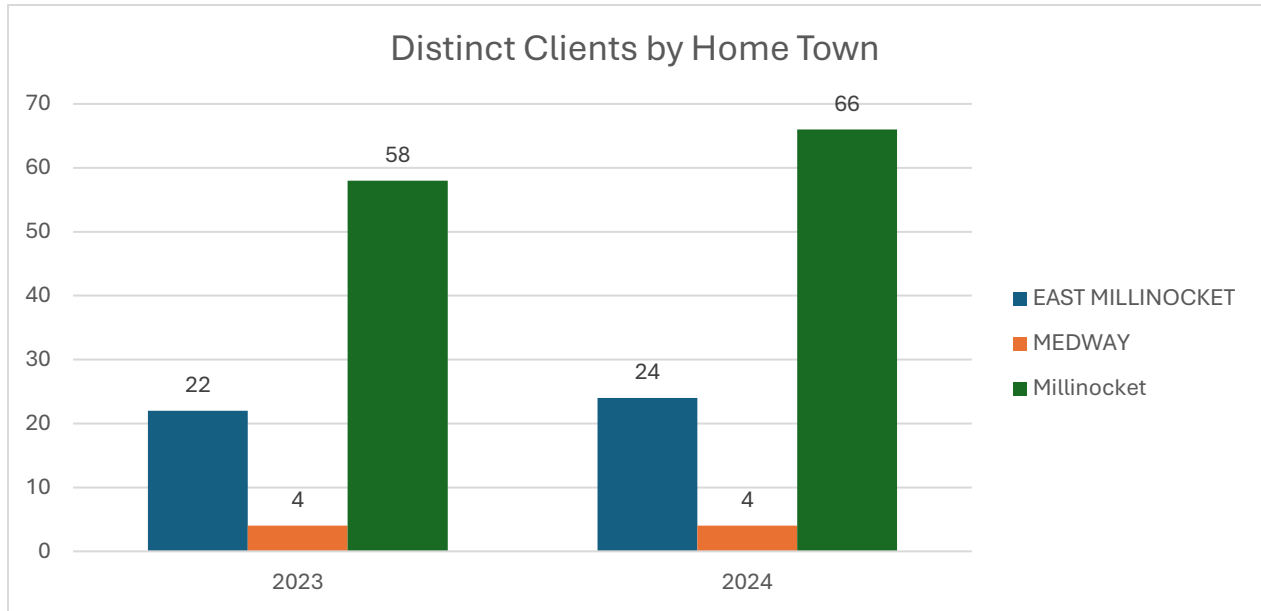
Thrive Penobscot

Transportation for All - Data Report

Age Friendly Millinocket

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Data is captured for June 1, 2023 -October 31, 2024

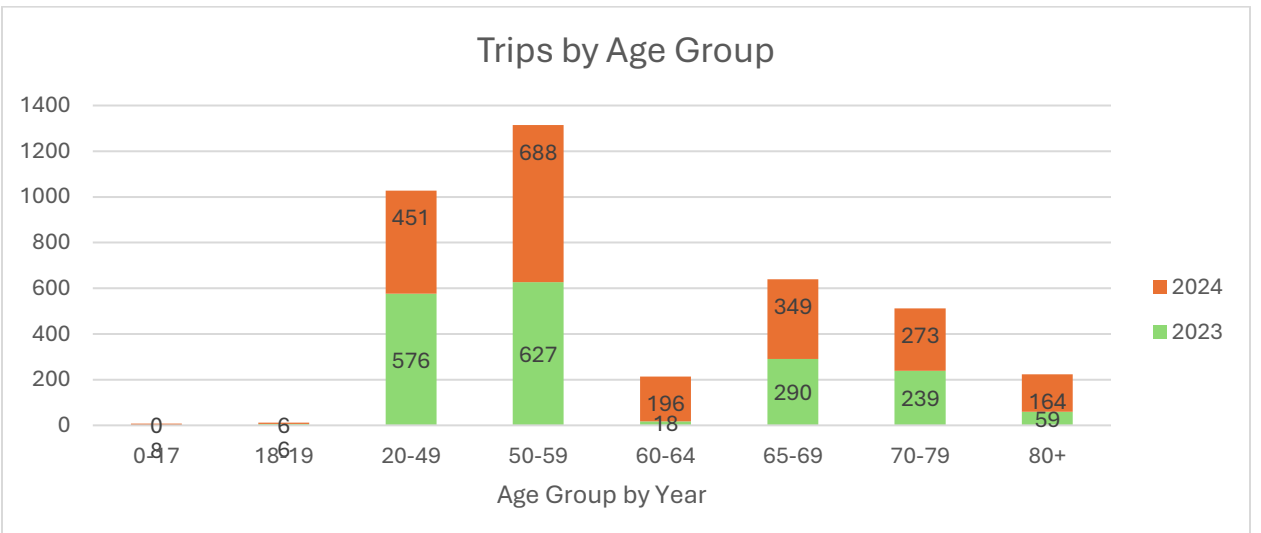


2023 data is June - Dec (6 mos.)

2024 data is January - October (10 mos.)

Millinocket had the most clients in the 16 months of the grant period followed by East Millinocket, then Medway.

A total of 122 distinct clients served over the grant period.

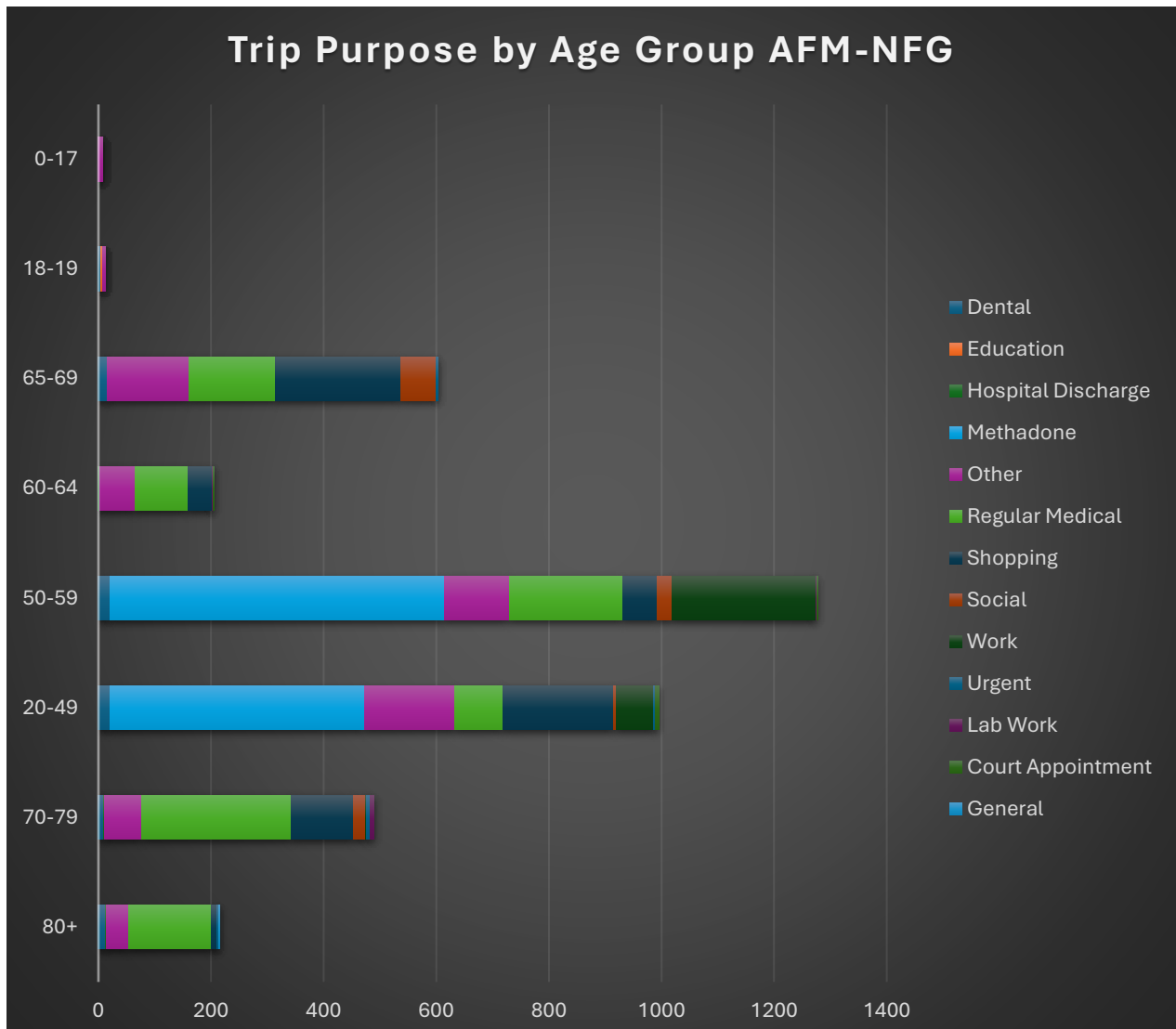


Trips by **AGE GROUP** that used Penquis general transportation services (over 16 months)

- 50–59-year-olds had a total of 1315 trips. **Most used by this age group**
- 20–49-year-olds had a total of 1027 trips.
- 65–69-year-olds had a total of 639 trips.
- 70–79-year-olds had a total of 512 trips.
- 80+ year olds had a total of 223 trips.
- 60–64-year-olds had a total of 214 trips.
- 81-19 yea olds had a total of 12 trips.
- 0-17 had a total of 8 trips.

• **3950** total trips were provided

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For the 50-59 age group, the main trip purpose was to the Methadone Clinic (N=594), followed by Work (N=256) and Regular Medical (202).

For the 20-49 age group, the main trip purpose was to the Methadone Clinic (N=452), followed by Shopping (N=196) and Other (161).

For the 65- 69 age group, the main trip purpose was Shopping (N=222), followed by Regular Medical (N=154) and Other (N=145).

For the 70-79 age group, the main trip purpose was to Regular Medical (N=266), followed by Shopping (N=110) and Other (N=66).

For the 80+ age group, the main trip purpose was to Regular Medical (N=148), followed by Other (N=148).

Note: These trips were New Freedom Grant (NFG) rides scheduled by the client, not the scheduled rides which were approximately 154 trips out of the 3950 provided. "Other" category includes church, restaurant, bus station, town office, etc. Also, total trips (1046) to the Methadone Clinic for the combined 20-59 age group were for 4 clients.

AGE-FRIENDLY MILLINOCKET “TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL” PROJECT SUMMARY

Residents in Millinocket, East Millinocket and Medway that used the Penquis Lynx General Transportation program received FREE rides for 16 months through grant funding (\$9700) from the Maine Community Foundation awarded to Thrive Penobscot/ MRH in 2023.

Two options for Penquis General Public Transportation Services were available:

- 1) One was the Lynx (known to most by the white van with the Lynx logo) that had weekly scheduled rides to Lincoln, Bangor, Millinocket, East Millinocket and Medway with Penquis staff driving. It could accommodate wheelchairs. (Cost ranged from \$1.00-\$7.00 one way- charged to the grant). Two full business days’ notice was required to use this service.
- 2) The other was with volunteer drivers that get reimbursed for mileage (.67mile). Rides were provided, M-F from 7am- 5pm anywhere in Penobscot or Piscataquis County. No weekends or holidays. The only requirement was that the rider had to self-declare a disability. Fares are \$2.50 for a one-way trip (cost charged to the grant). Internally at Penquis, this program is called the New Freedom Grant (NFG) for funding purposes. It allowed more flexibility for clients needing a ride. Two full business days’ notice was required to request a ride.

Results/Outcomes:

- A total of 122 distinct clients were served over the 16-month grant period.
- 3950 total trips were provided. Rides/trips are recorded as one way.
 - 96% of the rides were trips scheduled by the client using the New Freedom grant funding that provided flexibility in scheduling for the client.
 - The Penquis Lynx (Van) provided about 4% of the rides. (approx. 154 rides)
 - Penquis shared that 67 trips requested were not scheduled/provided due to not having a driver to fill the request. The demand is sometimes higher than the resources available.
- An overwhelming majority of rides (1046) were provided to/from the Methadone Clinic in Bangor.
 - A Total of 4 individuals used that service
- The 50- 59-year-old age group used the transportation service the most followed by the 20–49-year-old age group.
- Most trips made were to the Methadone Clinic followed by Regular Medical, Shopping, Other, then Work.
 - “Other” locations include church, bus station, restaurants, town office, etc.
- Towns that clients received rides to included: Millinocket, East Millinocket, Medway, Grindstone, Woodville, Mattawamkeag, Lincoln, Howland, Milford, Orono, Old Town, Indian Island, Bangor, Brewer, Milo, Dover-Foxcroft and Dexter.