

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOIRROF)

April 4, 2022

Town of Hadley  
PO Box 609  
Hadley, MA 01083  
413-435-5701

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS;

On or about April 15, the Town of Hadley will submit a request to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, for the purpose of the following project(s):

FY 2021 Hadley and South Hadley Community Assistance Program:

1. **Housing Rehabilitation Program:** Rehabilitation of approximately ten (10) low and moderate-income housing units within the Towns of Hadley and South Hadley, Massachusetts.
2. **Aging in Place:** Minor safety improvements and repairs to improve the safety and functionality of approximately 15 homes occupied by disabled persons or seniors in the Towns of Hadley and South Hadley, Massachusetts. Improvements will include, but are not limited to grab bars, handrails, non-slip stair treads, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, door and window locks, and similar work.
3. **Hadley ADA Plan and Self Evaluation:** ADA planning services for municipal buildings.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Selectmen's Office, Hadley Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Hadley, MA and may be examined or copied weekdays from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. with prior arrangement by calling 413-586-0221.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of Community Development. All comments received by **April 15, 2022** will be considered by Carolyn Brennan, Environmental Certifying Officer, prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### RELEASE OF FUNDS

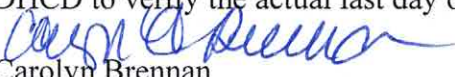
The Town of Hadley certifies to the DHCD that Carolyn Brennan, in her official capacity as Environmental Certifying Officer, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The DHCD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Town of Hadley to use Program funds.

### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The DHCD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Town of Hadley's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases:

- (a) The certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Town of Hadley;
- (b) The Town of Hadley has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58;
- (c) The grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the DHCD; or
- (d) Another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 55.76) and shall be addressed to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development at 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02114. Potential objectors should contact the DHCD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

  
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Environmental Certifying Officer  
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Hadley, MA 01035  
413-586-0221

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