

City of Framingham

The City Council of Framingham



ORDER NO. 2023-019-001 REQUEST OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

UPON THE REQUEST OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE, THE CITY OF FRAMINGHAM, THROUGH THE FRAMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL, IT IS SO ORDERED:

That the City Council vote to authorize accepting FY24 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds in the total amount of \$470,818.00.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Cannon, King, Leombruno, Long, Mallach, Ottaviani, Stefanini, Steiner

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stewart-Morales; All other members were present in person or via teleconferencing

PASSED IN COUNCIL: MARCH 21, 2023

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

5/9/2023

Date Approved

Lisa A. Ferguson

Lisa A. Ferguson, City Clerk
Emily L. Butler, Assistant City Clerk

5/10/23

Date Approved

Charlie Sisitsky

Charlie Sisitsky, Mayor



FRAMINGHAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

CITY HALL 150 CONCORD ST. SUITE 121 FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702-8325 (508) 532-5457

PROJECTED FY2024 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS

FY2024 CDBG Total Available Funds **\$470,818.00**

USES OF FY2024 CDBG FUNDS

1.0 ADMINISTRATION/PLANNING

1.1 Administration/Planning \$93,429.00
\$93,429.00

2.0 MICROENTERPRISE

2.1 Microenterprise \$63,000.00
\$63,000.00

3.0 HOUSING REHABILITATION

3.1 Housing Rehab Program Activity Costs \$45,000.00
\$45,000.00

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4.0 PUBLIC SERVICES

4.1 Literacy Unlimited \$9,000.00
4.2 Framingham Adult ESL Plus \$7,500.00
4.3 Community Connections Summer Work Program \$18,000.00
4.4 Hoops and Homework \$7,500.00
4.5 Healthy Options for Progress through Education (H.O.P.E) \$7,000.00
4.6 Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers (MAPS) \$5,000.00
4.7 Circle of Hope \$12,000.00
4.8 Mothers Helping Mothers \$4,000.00
\$70,000.00

5.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5.1 Downtown Framingham, Inc. \$70,000.00
\$70,000.00

6.0 PUBLIC FACILITIES

6.1 Framingham Public Library \$24,389.00
6.2 Athenaeum \$75,000.00
6.3 Arlington Street Park \$30,000.00
\$129,389.00

TOTAL FY24 CDBG FUNDS	\$470,818.00
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PROJECTED FISCAL 2024 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) FUNDS

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) provides formula grants to states and localities that communities use - often in partnership with local nonprofit groups - to fund a wide range of activities including building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership or providing direct rental assistance to low-income people. HOME is the largest federal block grant to state and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. HOME funds are awarded annually as formula grants to participating jurisdictions (PJs). The program’s flexibility allows states and local governments to use HOME funds for grants, direct loans, loan guarantees or other forms of credit enhancements, or rental assistance or security deposits.

The program reinforces several important values and principles of community development:

- Flexibility empowers people and communities to design and implement strategies tailored to their own needs and priorities.
- Emphasis on consolidated planning expands and strengthens partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector in the development of affordable housing.
- Technical assistance activities and set-aside for qualified community-based nonprofit housing groups builds the capacity of these partners.
- Requirement that participating jurisdictions match 25 cents of every dollar in program funds mobilizes community resources in support of affordable housing

FY2024 HOME Funds \$278,455.00

USES OF FY2024 HOME FUNDS

1.0	<i>Tenant Based Rental Assistance</i>	\$253,140.00
	<i>Funds can only be used for 2 months of start up costs to get household into unit such as first month and security deposit. Some funds will be allocated towards rental assistance for families working with homeless providers.</i>	

	Home Program Administration	\$25,315.00
	TOTAL FY2025 HOME FUNDS	\$278,455.00

TOTAL FY2024 HOME FUNDS	\$278,455.00
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Marion Kelly

From: Louise Miller
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:15 PM
To: Marion Kelly
Subject: Clarification on Title of CDBG

Hi Marion,

some questions have been brought to my attention regarding the CDBG grant for Atheneum. The title does not accurately reflect the project. It should have been referred to as the Watson Place Master Plan project. Could you please share this information with City Council.

Thank you.

Louise

Louise L.E. Miller, J.D.

Chief Financial Officer /Director of Administration and Finance

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