

**LEGAL NOTICE
OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Barnstable County HOME Consortium (Consortium)
c/o Department of Human Services
3195 Main Street- P.O. Box 427
Barnstable, MA 02630

This notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Consortium.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about August 22, 2018 the Consortium will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of HOME funds under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) - Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to undertake a project known as Cape Cod Village, the new construction of group homes for 15 adults (age 22 and over) with autism and related developmental disabilities, all of whom are clients of the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) that will provide the operating funding for the social services provider. The project will involve 2 duplex homes, one with two 4 bedroom units and the other with a 3 bedroom and a 4 bedroom unit located on about a 3.8 acre site at 19 Child's Homestead Road, Orleans, MA. The project will use the following estimated source of federal funds: \$250,000 in Consortium HOME and a \$3,000,000 permanent loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The project will also use Community Preservation Act funds from seven Cape Cod towns along with the following State of Massachusetts sources: Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Facilities Consolidation Fund, and the Housing Stabilization Fund. The project sponsor is Cape Cod Village, Inc., and the total estimated project cost is approximately \$ 6,899,800.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Consortium has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Consortium, 3195 Main Street, Department of Human Services, Barnstable, MA 02630 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Michelle Springer, Barnstable County Department of Human Services, 3195 Main Street, P.O. Box 427, Barnstable, MA 02630. All comments received by August 20, 2018 will be considered by the

Consortium prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Consortium, acting through Barnstable County Department of Human Services, certifies to HUD that Elizabeth Albert in her official capacity as the 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the project, Cape Cod Village, to use HUD program funds for the purpose specified.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and 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 Barnstable County; (b) Barnstable County 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; 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. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at the Boston Area Office, 10 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02222. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.