

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

August 30, 2021
Town of Mansfield
4 South Eagleville Rd.
Mansfield, CT 06268
860-429-3330

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 20, 2021, the Town of Mansfield will submit a request to the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing for the release of CDBG-CV, Tranche I, funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5301, et seq., as amended, 24 CFR Part 570 of the regulations of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act of 2020, to undertake a project known as COVID-19 Resident Assistance Program for the purpose of providing childcare and food/security assistance to those Mansfield residents at or below 80% median income who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

FINDING OF CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED ACTIVITY

The Town of Mansfield has determined that the project is a Categorically Excluded activity, (not subject to Section 58.5 per 24 CFR Section 58.35(b)). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Mansfield Town Hall, Office of Planning and Development, 4 South Eagleville Road, Mansfield, CT 06268 and may be examined or copied Monday – Wednesday 8:15am – 4:30pm, Thursday 8:15am – 6:30pm and Friday 8:00am – 12:00pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of Planning and Development, Mansfield Town Hall, 4 S. Eagleville Road, Mansfield, CT 06268 or by email to planzonedept@mansfieldct.org. All comments received by September 19, 2021, will be considered by the Town of Mansfield prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Town of Mansfield certifies to the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing that Ryan J. Aylesworth in his capacity as Town Manager consents 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. State of Connecticut, Department of Housing approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Town of Mansfield to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Connecticut, Department of Housing will accept objections to its release of fund and the Town of Mansfield'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 Mansfield; (b) the Town of Mansfield 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 State of Connecticut, Department of Housing; 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 Department of Housing, 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Potential objectors should contact State of Connecticut, Department of Housing to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Ryan J. Aylesworth
Town Manager