

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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On or about October 15, 2024, Lebanon County will submit a request to the HUD for the release of Radon Testing and Mitigation Demonstration for Public Housing funds to undertake a project known as County-wide Housing Modernization and Site Improvements Program (Multi-Year 2023-2027) for the purpose of improvements to existing Housing Authority developments at the following locations:

- Washington Arms: 303 Chestnut Street, Lebanon (60 unit midrise)
- Webster Manor: Development bounded by Jonestown Rd., Steckbeck St., 10th St., and Coleman Ct., Lebanon City (100-unit townhouses)
- Gloninger Meadows: 2100-2148 Center Street, North Cornwall, (25-unit townhouses)
- Cedar Court: 500 Cedar Court (41 units of family housing)
- Modular Units (south side location) – 40-unit townhouse development – 1320-1516 Lafayette, Lebanon City
- Modular Units (north side location) – 20-unit townhouse development - 1001-1011 Steckbeck St., and 1001-1027 Meily St., Lebanon City
- City Units: East Cherry Townhouse Development – 103-117 East Cherry St., Lebanon
- City Units: Weidman Street Townhouse Development – 21-33 Weidman St.
- City Units: Federal Street Townhouse Development – 1110-1151 Federal St., Lebanon
- City Units: South 11th Street Townhouse Development – 222-232 S. 11th St., Lebanon
- Stevens Towers – 930 Willow Street, Lebanon (80-unit high-rise)

The modernization program includes replacement of storage sheds, replace HVAC systems, replace windows, upgrade heating and air conditioning units, the conversion of gas to electric appliances where needed, handicapped accessibility improvements; clean, re-point, and seal exterior walls; install fire sprinkler systems, install home safety/security measure, replace electrical panels, and repave parking areas. Other improvements may include renovating bathrooms and kitchens, including flooring, paneling, kitchen cabinets and appliances; infrastructures improvements including replacing curbs and sidewalks, replacing balcony railings, replacing an elevator, replacing and emergency generator, and constructing a storage building. Testing and abatement, removal, or mitigation of lead-based paint, radon, mold or other contaminants is included. All work will take place at previously disturbed sites at existing facilities. The multi-year program will extend for 5 years from 2023 to 2027. Estimated total project cost: \$12,247,770. Estimated Radon Testing and Mitigation Demonstration for Public Housing funded amount: \$600,000. Estimated total HUD funded amount: \$12,247,770.

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 *****.lebanoncountypa.gov/.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Lebanon County Redevelopment Authority Attn: Daniel Lyons; PO Box 2005, Cleona, PA 17042, or by email to dlyons@bps-pa.com. All comments received by October 14, 2024, will be considered by Lebanon County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Lebanon County certifies to HUD that Robert J. Phillips in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Lebanon County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and Lebanon County'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 Lebanon County; (b) Lebanon County 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 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 OLHCHH at 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20410 or healthyhomes@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robert J. Phillips, Chairman, Certifying Officer