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MEMORANDUM

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TO: President Albright and Members of the City Council, City of Newton

CC: Planning and Development Board, City of Newton

FROM: Barney Heath, Director of Planning and Development
Amanda Berman, Director of Housing and Community Development

SUBJECT: Notice of Request for Proposals for CDBG and ESG Funds

The City of Newton Department of Planning and Development has released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funds for Fiscal Year 2021 (Federal Fiscal Year 2020). The purpose of these RFP's is to identify viable human service and homelessness prevention and assistance projects for inclusion in the City's FY21 Annual Action Plan, covering the period of July 1, 2020- June 15, 2021.

During FY21, the City anticipates receiving approximately \$1,900,000 in CDBG funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), of which \$285,000 will be made available for human service activities. In addition, the City anticipates receiving approximately \$162,000 in ESG funds from HUD, of which \$149,850 will be made available for homelessness prevention and assistance activities. Activities and projects must primarily benefit low-and-moderate income persons. Applicants must be a registered 501 (c)(3) corporation or municipal entity and must exhibit the capacity to facilitate their proposed project(s).

The RFPs were made available January 6th, 2020, and proposals must be submitted to the Housing and Community Development Division no later than 5:00 p.m., on February 3rd, 2020. Additional criteria, instructions, and information are outlined in the RFPs, which can be found on the City website at <http://www.newtonma.gov/CDBGHumanServices> and <http://www.newtonma.gov/ESG>. Applicants may request a hard copy of the application by contacting Tiffany Leung, Community Development Planner, at (617)796-1146 or tleung@newtonma.gov.

Questions can be directed to Amanda Berman, Director of Housing and Community Development, at (617) 796-1147 or aberman@newtonma.gov.