

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF A  
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT (FONSI)  
COMBINED NOTICE**

February 13, 2022

City of Cambridge  
Economic and Community Development  
814 Steubenville Avenue  
Cambridge, Ohio 43725

Guernsey County Commissioners  
627 Wheeling Avenue, Suite 200  
Cambridge, Ohio 43725

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

On or about, but not before, February 21, 2022, the City of Cambridge and Guernsey County Commissioners proposes to request that the State of Ohio release Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Project Name: 2021 CHIP Program Homeownership Assistance/New Construction of one (1) unit  
Source of Federal Funds -\$30,000 CHIP HOME Grant Funding; \$30,000 Guernsey County Habitat for Humanity  
Description of Purpose or Nature of the Project: With CHIP funds the City and County will help with the new construction of one (1) Habitat for Humanity unit  
Multi-Year Project  
Location: Cambridge/Guernsey County  
Estimated Cost of Project \$60,000 (CHIP Grant HOME Funds \$30,000; \$30,000 Guernsey County Habitat for Humanity)

Project Name: 2021 CHIP Program Home/Building Repair of twelve (12) owner occupied homes  
Source of Federal Funds -\$185,000 CHIP CDBG Funding and \$25,000 CHIP Ohio Housing Trust Fund (OHTF)  
Description of Purpose or Nature of the Project: With CHIP funds the City will undertake the repair of twelve (12) owner occupied units  
Multi-Year Project  
Location: Cambridge/Guernsey County  
Estimated Cost of Project \$210,000 (CHIP Grant CDBG Funds \$185,000; \$25,000 CHIP Grant OHTF Funds)

Project Name: 2021 CHIP Program Private Rehabilitation of six (6) owner occupied homes  
Source of Federal Funds -\$312,000 HOME Funding and \$388 City of Cambridge HOME Revolving Loan Fund - \$388, \$1,074 City of Cambridge CDBG Housing Revolving Loan Fund, \$24,646 Guernsey HOME Revolving Loan Fund, \$674 Guernsey County CDBG Housing Revolving Loan Fund  
Description of Purpose or Nature of the Project: With CHIP funds the City will undertake the rehabilitation of six (6) owner occupied units  
Multi-Year Project  
Location: Cambridge/Guernsey County  
Estimated Cost of Project \$338,782 (CHIP Grant HOME Funds \$312,000; \$26,782 City of Cambridge/Guernsey County Revolving Loan Funds)

Project Name: 2021 CHIP Program Private Rental Rehabilitation of one (1) rental rehabilitation

Source of Federal Funds -\$64,000 HOME Funding and \$64,000 Local Landlord Match

Description of Purpose or Nature of the Project: With CHIP funds the City will undertake the rehabilitation of one (1) rental rehabilitation unit

Multi-Year Project

Location: Cambridge/Guernsey County

Estimated Cost of Project 128,000 (CHIP Grant HOME Funds \$64,000; \$64,000 Local Landlord Match

The City of Cambridge and Guernsey County has determined that the project(s) will have no significant impact on the environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended is not required.

The City of Cambridge and Guernsey County has prepared an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for each of the projects listed above. The ERR(s) documents the environmental review of the project(s). The ERR(s) is (are) on file and available for the public's examination and copying, upon request, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays) at the above address.

No further environmental review of the project(s) will be conducted prior to the request for release of Federal funds.

The City of Cambridge and Guernsey County plans to undertake the project(s) described above with the Federal funds cited above. Any interested person, agency, or group wishing to comment on the project or disagreeing with this Finding of No Significant Impact decision may submit written comments for consideration to the City of Cambridge or Guernsey County Commissioners at the above listed address by 4:00 p. m. on February 28, 2022 which is at least 15 days after the publication of this combined notice. A notice regarding the responsible entity's intent to request the release of funds is listed immediately below.

## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI/RROF)**

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

On or about, but not before, March 1, 2022 the City of Cambridge/Guernsey County will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the project(s) listed above.

The City of Cambridge and Guernsey County Commissioners certifies to the State of Ohio that Thomas D. Orr in his capacity as Mayor, and David L. Wilson, President of the Guernsey County Commissioners, consents to accept the jurisdiction of Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Cambridge and Guernsey County may use the Federal funds, and the State of Ohio will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.

The State of Ohio will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following grounds: (a) the certification was not, in fact, executed by the responsible entity's Certifying Officer; (b) the responsible entity has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to Section 58.40 or to make the written determination required by section 58.35, 58.47, or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; c) the responsible entity has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subpart E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication, and completion of an Environmental Assessment; d) the responsible entity has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication, and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement; e) the recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by the State; or f) 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.

Written objections must meet the conditions and procedures set forth in subpart H of 24 CFR Part 58, and be addressed to: State of Ohio Department of Development; Office of Community Development; Environmental Officer; P. O. Box 1001; Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001.

Objections to the Release of Funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the State of Ohio. No objections received after March 16, 2022 (which is 15 days after it is anticipated that the State will receive a request for release of funds) will be considered by the State of Ohio.

The address of the certifying officer is:        Thomas D. Orr, Mayor  
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1131 Steubenville Avenue  
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