



City of New Bedford, Massachusetts
Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell

Office of Housing & Community Development
Joshua Amaral, Director

Community Forums

We want to hear from you!

Please join us at one of these public meetings to discuss two matters:

1

Action Plan: A Plan to address the housing and economic development needs and priorities in New Bedford for the FY23 program year beginning July 1, 2023. Both meetings will explain and discuss the federal funding that the city receives as an entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing & Community Development for which it expects to receive roughly \$3.5 million.

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)

Come hear about these programs and share your ideas about these limited federal funds and how they could be used to serve the needs of New Bedford residents, particularly those of low and moderate incomes, over the coming fiscal year. **Those intending to apply for funding are strongly encouraged to attend one of the two forums.**

The City of New Bedford is *also* hosting an RFP workshop via zoom on January 13th to explain and discuss the RFP (application) and process for applying for CDBG and ESG funds. Contact OHCD@newbedford-ma.gov for more information.

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HOME-ARP: New Bedford was awarded \$3.1 million in HOME funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) to help individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. A requirement of the funding is to get resident and stakeholder input to help shape the program design in these eligible areas:

- Affordable Housing
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- Non-Congregate Shelter
- Supportive Services
- Homeless Prevention Services
- Housing Counseling

January 10th.2023 Carney Academy 247 Elm Street at 6.00pm In Person

January 11th.2023 Wednesday at 6.00pm via ZOOM

To join the hearing on January 11th at 6.00 go to:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83041179361?pwd=NUsxQ2tSYTIGSUdzTXBQa1BwNUwyUT09> Meeting ID: 830 4117 9361 Passcode: 463504

If you are unable to attend the hearing but would like to participate please consider submitting a written comment to:
OHCD@newbedford-ma.gov

This information is available in Portuguese or Spanish upon request. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) if any accommodations are needed, please contact the Office of Housing and Community Development at 508.979.1500. Requests should be made as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

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