

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Charles D. Baker, Governor 🔶 Karyn E. Polito Lt. Governor 🔶 Jennifer D. Maddox, Undersecretary

October 17, 2022

The HonorableKatjana Ballantyne Mayor, City of Somerville 93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mayor Ballantyne:

RE: Somerville 0212 Application

Thank you for submitting this application to the FY2023 Community One Stop for Growth. The Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED), Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), and Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) worked together to evaluate all eligible applications and recommended the most ready and highest-impact projects for a grant. This application from City of Somerville was reviewed by the program(s) that could best serve the project's funding needs.

On behalf of the Baker-Polito Administration, I am pleased to inform you that a grant in the amount of **\$75,000** from the **Housing Choice Grant Program** has been approved to support your project.

This award is contingent the execution of a grant contract between the City of Somerville and the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the satisfaction of its special conditions and requirements. We will send the grant contract to the contact person identified in your application, as well as an invitation to an online training on October 25, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. related to grant administration and contract guidance to highlight contractual obligations. Please do not proceed with grant activities until the contract is fully executed. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Kluchman, FAICP, Deputy Director at <u>Chris.Kluchman@mass.gov</u>, and Filipe Zamborlini, Community Grants Coordinator at <u>Filipe.Zamborlini@mass.gov</u>.

Finally, please note that public announcement of this award is embargoed until the Administration has had the opportunity to formally announce it through a local event and/or media release. Please refrain from sharing or publicizing news about this award outside of your organization until it is officially announced.

Congratulations once again. We look forward to working with you to address the City of Somerville's housing and community development needs.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer D. Maddox Undersecretary, DHCD