



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR Just A Start 24 Webster Ave Historic Window Restoration

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Just A Start requests funding for the preservation of a large Turkish-style window and full Colonial Revival surround at 24 Webster Avenue. The project will be a new all affordable multifamily building in the Union Square neighborhood. Just A Start is requesting funding from CPA just for the removal, restoration, and reinstallation of the window and surround as specified in a Memorandum of Understanding with the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission. The project is also receiving financial support from the Somerville Affordable Housing Trust, the Somerville HOME Program, and is pursuing funding from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC).

ELIGIBILITY

Historic Resources: This project would preserve a historic architectural artifact.

RECOMMENDATION

On September 27, 2023 by a vote of 8-0, the Community Preservation Committee recommended approval to City Council that Just a Start be awarded \$113,440 of Community Preservation Act funds for restoration and reinstallation of the historic window at 24 Webster Ave, as described in their FY24 funding application from the following account:

Category: Historic Preservation	Recommended Funding Source	Amount
24 Webster Ave Historic Window Restoration	Historic Preservation Reserve	\$113,440
	Total	\$113,440

FUNDING CONDITIONS

1. The CPA-funded portion of the project must be initiated within three years unless extension is granted by the CPC.
2. CPA funds will be used only for CPA eligible expenses.
3. Just A Start will install a permanent sign noting CPA funding at the completion of the project and a temporary sign during construction.
4. Unspent funds will be returned to the CPA fund.

DOCUMENTATION

- [24 Webster Ave CPA Application](#)