



TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Development Division, RIHousing

DATE: June 1, 2026

RE: Environmental Legal Notice

For your information, the enclosed Legal Notice will notify all interested parties of Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation's ("RIHousing") intent to request the release of Federal HOME Investment Partnership – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program funds. This is being done in compliance with HUD's Environmental Review process in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58.

Please post this Notice for eighteen (18) days in an area readily accessible to the public. Any comments may be sent to the address contained in the Notice.



## NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 1, 2026

Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation  
44 Washington Street  
Providence, RI 02903  
(401) 457-1129

This Notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for an activity to be undertaken by Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation (“RIHousing”).

### REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 23, 2026, RIHousing will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of HOME Investment Partnerships – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 HOME – American Rescue Plan Program for the following project:

Women’s Development Corporation  
183 Washington Street Apartments - Shelter to Permanent Housing  
183 Washington Street  
West Warwick, RI 02893

Women’s Development Corporation (WDC) has proposed the adaptive reuse of a long-vacant building for a mixed-use residential & commercial building, with substantial rehabilitation of the old building and a new construction addition containing thirty (30) permanent supportive housing units and two (2) commercial units. The ground floor will consist of four (4) accessible residential units, on-site property management and supportive service offices, a security office, large community room, and the commercial units. The second and third floors will each consist of thirteen (13) residential units and additional supportive services space. The unit mix includes twenty-six (26) studio units and four (4) one-bedroom units.

Proposed HOME-ARP Award: \$6,750,000

Proposed HOME-ARP Units: 15

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Rhode Island Housing has determined that this project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, Environmental Impact Statements under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) are not required. Additional project information is contained in the



Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Rhode Island Housing, 44 Washington Street, Providence, RI 02903, and may be examined or copied weekdays from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

The Legal Notice can be accessed online at: [www.rihousing.com/public-information](http://www.rihousing.com/public-information)

The ERR will be made available to the public for review by e-mail upon request.

Please submit your request to Melanie Brewer, Director of Real Estate Development or by email to [mbrewer@rihousing.com](mailto:mbrewer@rihousing.com)

The Environmental Review Record report may be viewed at: <https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews>

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments on the ERR to RIHousing. All comments received by June 22, 2026, will be considered by RIHousing prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

Comments should specify the Notice they are addressing.

#### RELEASE OF FUNDS

RIHousing certifies to HUD that Carol A. Ventura, in her capacity as Executive Director, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows RIHousing to use Program funds.

#### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and RIHousing's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of RIHousing (b) RIHousing has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) 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. Objections must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development, at: [CPDRROFBOS@hud.gov](mailto:CPDRROFBOS@hud.gov).

Potential objectors should contact HUD at Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development, via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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Carol A. Ventura  
Executive Director

June 1, 2026

Date