

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

January 26, 2022

Kentucky Department for Local Government
Responsible Entity

100 Airport Road
Address

Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
City, State, Zip Code

502-573-2382
Responsible Entity Telephone Number

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Kentucky Department for Local Government.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about February 12, 2022, the Kentucky Department for Local Government will submit a request to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Kentucky state office for the release of Recovery Housing Program (RHP) funds under Section 8071 of the Support for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act to undertake a project known as The Journey Transitional Housing/Substance Use Treatment Center for Women to be located at 6417 US Highway 60, Ashland, Kentucky. The Journey facility will include housing for 25 women undergoing treatment for substance use disorder. The estimated total project cost is \$1,200,482.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Kentucky Department for Local Government has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the project Environmental Review Record on file with the Kentucky Department for Local Government. Persons wishing to review the project Environmental Review Record may access it on the Kentucky Department for Local Government website at: kydlgweb.ky.gov/federalgrants/16_rhp.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with the ERR decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by US Mail to the Kentucky Department for Local Government at 100 Airport Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, Attention: Mark Williams. Comments may be also submitted by email to Mark Williams at: markpwilliams@ky.gov.

All comments received by 4:30 pm EST, February 11, 2022 will be considered by the Kentucky Department for Local Government prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds or taking any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Kentucky Department for Local Government certifies to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development that Dennis Keene, Commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Local Government in his capacity as Certifying Official 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. The Kentucky Department for Local Government's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Kentucky state office will accept objections to its release of funds and the Kentucky Department for Local Government certification for a period of fifteen (15) 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 the Kentucky Department for Local Government (b) the Kentucky Department for Local Government 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 the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Kentucky state office 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and may be sent via e-mail to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Kentucky email address at: CPDCOVID-190EE-LOU@hud.gov or to: anita.l.bowles@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Kentucky state office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Dennis Keene, Commissioner, Kentucky Department for Local Government
Name and Title of Responsible Entity Certifying Officer

100 Airport Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
Address of Certifying Officer