

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS  
FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**

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On or after March 9, 2026 the City of Lebanon will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to undertake the following project:

**Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: CD15-01 Street Improvements**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the CD15-01 Street Improvements Program is to improve deteriorated transportation and pedestrian infrastructure within low- and moderate-income areas of the City of Lebanon. The program addresses safety concerns, accessibility deficiencies, and aging infrastructure conditions while improving compliance with ADA requirements and enhancing neighborhood quality.

**Location:** Low- and moderate-income areas throughout the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania. Specific street segments will be identified as projects are selected.

**Project/Program Description:** Program involves improvements to existing infrastructure within the urban environment. Improvements include repaving of existing roads which may involve overlay or the removal of existing roadbed and construction of new roadway in its place. Improvement will also include repaving of existing sidewalks and the installation of ADA curb cuts at intersections. In some cases, materials may not be replaced in-kind in order to meet ADA specification or to add aesthetic quality to the project such as decorative brick work or stamped concrete.

**Tier 2 Site Specific Review:**

Tier 2 site-specific reviews will address the following federal laws and authorities, as applicable, once specific project locations are identified:

- Floodplain Management (Executive Order 11988)
- Wetlands Protection (Executive Order 11990)
- Historic Preservation (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)
- Noise Abatement and Control (24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B)
- Contamination and Toxic Substances (24 CFR §58.5(i)(2))
- Endangered Species Act
- Sole Source Aquifers (if applicable)
- Environmental Justice (Executive Order 12898)

**Estimated Project Cost:** Street Improvements: \$200,000 in CDBG Funds per year for Years 2026-2029; Total Project cost \$800,000.

**Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: CD15-02 Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the CD15-02 Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program is to preserve and improve the quality, safety, and livability of owner-occupied housing units occupied by low- and moderate-income households, while correcting housing code violations, addressing health and safety concerns, improving energy efficiency, and enabling residents to remain in their homes.

**Location:** Low- and moderate-income areas throughout the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania. Specific addresses will be identified as eligible households are approved for assistance.

**Project/Program Description:** This program will involve improvements to existing owner-occupied housing units, within the City of Lebanon. Rehabilitation will include but not be limited to window/door removal and replacement, replacement of flooring, removal/replacement of roof components and gutters, improvements to HVAC systems, improvements to electrical and plumbing systems, improvements to kitchen areas including removal/replacement of cabinets and appliances, improvements to bathrooms including removal/replacement of tubs, sinks, vanities and toilets as well as ADA improvements, improvements to interior walls including new sheetrock and painting, exterior improvements including the installation of vinyl siding and painting, porch improvements and sidewalk/walkway improvement, as well as any other general housing improvement work. The improvements will not increase the structure's capacity and will not involve additions or expansion of the structure.

**Tier 2 Site Specific Review:**

Tier 2 site-specific reviews will address the following federal laws and authorities, as applicable, once specific project locations are identified:

- Floodplain Management (Executive Order 11988)
- Wetlands Protection (Executive Order 11990)
- Historic Preservation (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)
- Noise Abatement and Control (24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B)
- Contamination and Toxic Substances (24 CFR §58.5(i)(2))
- Endangered Species Act
- Sole Source Aquifers (if applicable)
- Environmental Justice (Executive Order 12898)

**Estimated Project Cost: Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation:** \$80,000 in CDBG Funds per year for Years 2026-2029 and an estimated 5 homes with an average of \$16,000 provided for assistance in 2026; Total Project cost \$320,000.

**Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: CD15-03 Acquisition and Demolition of Blighted Structures**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the CD15-03 Acquisition and Demolition of Blighted Structures Program is to eliminate conditions that pose threats to public health and safety, remove blighting influences within low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, and support future redevelopment efforts consistent with the City of Lebanon’s planning and revitalization goals.

**Location:** Low- and moderate-income areas throughout the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania. Specific properties will be identified as they are acquired and approved for demolition.

**Project/Program Description:** This program involves the acquisition and/or demolition of blighted, vacant, or unsafe structures located throughout the City of Lebanon for the purpose of eliminating health and safety hazards, addressing conditions of blight, and supporting future redevelopment consistent with the City’s planning goals. Properties eligible under this program may include residential or small non-residential structures that are structurally unsound, condemned, tax-delinquent, or otherwise unsuitable for rehabilitation.

These programs provide funding for infrastructure improvements, housing rehabilitation, and acquisition and demolition activities within the City of Lebanon. All activities involve rehabilitation, repair, or demolition of existing structures or infrastructure and do not include new construction that would increase capacity. Tier 2 site-specific environmental reviews will be completed for each individual street segment or property when exact locations become known to address environmental laws and authorities not fully analyzed at the Tier 1 level.

**Tier 2 Site Specific Review:**

Tier 2 site-specific reviews will address the following federal laws and authorities, as applicable, once specific project locations are identified:

- Floodplain Management (Executive Order 11988)
- Wetlands Protection (Executive Order 11990)
- Historic Preservation (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)
- Noise Abatement and Control (24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B)
- Contamination and Toxic Substances (24 CFR §58.5(i)(2))
- Endangered Species Act
- Sole Source Aquifers (if applicable)
- Environmental Justice (Executive Order 12898)

**Estimated Project Cost: Acquisition and Demolition of Blighted Properties:** \$71,929 in CDBG Funds per year for Years 2026-2029 with a total of 2 properties in 2026; Total Project cost \$287,716.

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR §58.35(a). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at City of Lebanon’s Department of Administration, 735 Cumberland Street, Lebanon, PA 17042 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Lebanon's Department of Administration, 735 Cumberland Street, Lebanon, PA 17042 or at [Cityadmin@lebanonpa.org](mailto:Cityadmin@lebanonpa.org). All comments received by March 8, 2026 will be considered by the City of Lebanon prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Lebanon certifies to HUD that Sherry L. Capello, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Mayor 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 the City of Lebanon to use HUD program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Lebanon'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 the City of Lebanon; (b) the City of Lebanon 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Philadelphia Office of Community Planning and Development at [CPDRROFPHI@hud.gov](mailto:CPDRROFPHI@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

**Sherry L. Capello, Mayor**