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Community Development Department

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From: Timothy J. Thompson, AICP, Assistant Director of Community Development

Date: July 13, 2026

Subject: **Community Development Block Grants – Status Report Public Hearing**

Recommendation:

1. Accept this report; and
2. Conduct a public hearing on August 10, 2026 concerning the status report on the \$130,000 Concord Coalition to End Homelessness (CCEH) CDBG-CV grant.

Background:

The New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (NHCDFA) is the state agency responsible for administering the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program in New Hampshire.

NHCDFA rules require grant recipients to conduct a public hearing during the course of a CDBG project for the purpose of updating the community about CDBG funded projects.

Discussion:

The City was notified by NHCDFA in the fall of 2025 that additional CDBG-CV (COVID-19 specific) grant funds (unexpended from the initial program in 2020) were made available and invited qualified entities to apply for funding before the state was required to return the funds to the federal government. The City partnered with CCEH and applied for funding assistance relative to operations for their Emergency Winter Shelter and Resource Center. In November 2025, the City was awarded a total not to exceed \$130,000 for the project.

The City subgranted, and CCEH utilized, \$114,000 of the grant funds for reimbursement for the operational costs for the Emergency Winter Shelter and Resource Center between December 1, 2025 and April 30, 2026 for people experiencing homelessness in Concord related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The remaining \$16,000 was utilized for expenses related to the grant writing and CDBG administration tasks performed by the City's CDBG Consultant.