



December 11, 2024

Via email only:

Matthew R. Walsh, Deputy City Manager, Development  
City of Concord  
41 Green Street  
Concord, NH 03301

RE: Housing Champion Designation Grant Program, Notice of Award

Dear Mr. Walsh,

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that the Housing Champion Designation application for the City of Concord has been approved having achieved an overall score of 105 points.

This prestigious recognition is a testament to your community's outstanding commitment to fostering an environment that supports innovative and sustainable solutions to address New Hampshire's housing needs. Your efforts have demonstrated leadership and vision in creating pathways for housing development that will positively impact residents and contribute to solving the state's housing crisis.

To celebrate your achievement, we are delighted to invite you to a public ceremony at **The Atrium, 7 Eagle Square (Courtyard Entrance), Concord, NH on December 19th at 12:30 pm**. During this event, the City of Concord will be formally presented with a certificate and a commemorative plaque in honor of your designation as a New Hampshire Housing Champion. We kindly request that you confirm your attendance and provide the name or names of your community representatives who plan to attend by email us at [housingchampions@livefree.nh.gov](mailto:housingchampions@livefree.nh.gov).

As a New Hampshire Housing Champion, you are eligible to apply for the following grants opening in January 2025:

- The **Housing Production Municipal Grant Fund** (with \$1.5 million in available funding), and
- The **Housing Infrastructure Municipal Grant** (with \$3.5 million in available funding).

These grant programs are designed to further support municipalities like yours in advancing innovative housing initiatives and infrastructure improvements. We encourage you to leverage this recognition and funding opportunity to continue your critical work in addressing housing challenges.

The New Hampshire Housing Champion designation is valid for 3 years from the date of designation, with a renewal for subsequent 3-year periods.

In addition, New Hampshire Housing Champion designated municipalities must report its housing-related activities in writing annually. Reports shall be submitted no later than 180 days after the initial HC

designation award and then annually by July 1. Guidelines will be posted in early January 2025 on the website.

Thank you for your dedication and contributions to making New Hampshire a better place to live and thrive. We look forward to celebrating this significant achievement with you on December 19th. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Lee Ann Moynihan at (603) 931-9697.

Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved honor!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Taylor Caswell". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "C".

Taylor Caswell  
Commissioner