

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD'S
Consolidated Plan 2025-2029 and
Annual Action Plan 2025-2026**

The City of Springfield, through the Office of Community Development, has prepared its Consolidated Plan for program years July 1, 2025-June 30, 2029 and its first year Annual Action Plan for program year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026. The Plan outlines the strategy and planned expenditures of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) formula grant programs received by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The City of Springfield proposes to amend both its Consolidated Plan, 2025-2029 and its Annual Action Plan, 2025-2026.

The City seeks to amend the 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan to expand the activities funded with Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. Specifically, the City will reallocate \$81,177 in ESG funds previously budgeted for Navigation Services/Rapid Rehousing and Street Outreach to support Emergency Shelter operations. This amendment will provide the City with greater flexibility to fund emergency shelter activities, which are also supported with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

As a result of this amendment, in the SP-45 Goals Summary, the Emergency Shelter goal will be increased by 100 persons. Goal 9 (Navigation Services/Rapid Rehousing) will be reduced to 750 persons, and Goal 11 (Street Outreach) will be reduced to 300 persons.

The City of Springfield is also submitting a substantial amendment to its 2025–2026 Annual Action Plan, pursuant to 24 CFR 91.220(d). The following projects in AP-35 Projects are proposed to be amended:

- Project #24 – Overnight Shelter Program: The City proposes to increase ESG funding for this project to \$81,177 previously budgeted for Navigation Services/Rapid Rehousing and Street Outreach. As a result of the budget change, ESG funding will serve an additional 80 number of persons.
- Project #17 – Technical Assistance to Small Businesses: The City will no longer carry out this project as previously described. Funds allocated to this activity will instead be used to support repayment of the City's HUD Section 108 loan.

A public hearing will be held to obtain citizen comment on the DRAFT Substantial Amendments on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 5:00 PM , Square One, 186 William Street in the Community Room.

The DRAFT Substantial Amendments will be available for public review on the Office of Community Developments website for a 30- day public comment period beginning

January 7, 2026-February 5, 2026.

<https://www.springfield-ma.gov/comm-dev/community-development>

Interested parties are invited to submit written comments. The deadline for comments is by 4:00 PM; February 5, 2026; comments can be directed to Lori Santaniello at lsibilia@springfieldctiyhall.com .

The City of Springfield is an EEO.

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