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JUL - 8 2019

Dear Ms. Buono:

Subject: FY 2019 Action Plan Approval for the City of Springfield.

The Boston Field Office would like to thank you for your continued work in serving your residents through HUD programs. Enclosed are Grant Agreements for the following programs:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$3,829,602
HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)	\$1,512,653
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$661,323
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	\$323,252
Total FY 2019 Award	\$6,326,830

These Grant Agreements constitute contracts between the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the City of Springfield.

A primary goal of the Department is to reduce housing discrimination, affirmatively further fair housing through CPD programs, and promote diverse, inclusive communities. To that end, we encourage your community to take all measures necessary to ensure compliance with the Fair Housing requirements associated with these funds which are found at 24 CFR Section 570.601.

If there is a need to add or remove individuals authorized to access IDIS, please submit an IDIS Online Access Request form (HUD 27055) to your local HUD office. This form may be found at <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/27055.PDF> . Instructions to complete this form are available at <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/27055INS.PDF> . Additionally, if there is a need to establish or change the depository account where these funds are to be wired, a Direct Deposit Sign-Up form (SF-1199A) must be completed by your financial institution and returned to this office. This form may be located at <https://www.gsa.gov/forms-library/direct-deposit-sign-form> .

Effective implementation of projects and the timely expenditure of grant funds is of critical importance to the success of the CDBG program. There is no single reason why CDBG grantees are untimely in carrying out activities. Timeliness does not depend on the size of a community nor the size of a grant. A variety of grantee management and capacity issues play a role in the timeliness problem. Because of the myriad of reasons for untimely performance, there is no single solution to the timeliness problem. Each grantee must identify and address the problem in the context of their own program and community.

Please note **the special condition in your CDBG Funding Approval/Agreement** concerning the Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS), the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database, and the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (as provided in 2 CFR part 25, Universal Identifier and Central Contractor Registration, and 2 CFR part 170, Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information). This special condition also includes a requirement in 8. (b) related to funding assistance and payment of **indirect costs** pursuant to 2 CFR 200, Subpart E - Cost Principles. Per the instructions in 8. (b), **please attach a schedule in the format provided to each of the two copies of the grant agreement.**

You are reminded that certain activities are subject to the provisions of 24 CFR Part 58 (**Environmental Review Procedures**). Funds for such activities may not be obligated or expended until HUD has approved the release of funds in writing. A request for release of funds must be accompanied by an environmental certification, and until the RROF is approved and notification is received, no HUD funds should be committed. If the project or activity is exempt per 24 CFR 58.34 or categorically excluded (except in extraordinary circumstances), no RROF is required.

Additionally, you are reminded of your responsibilities to comply with other applicable laws and related program requirements for:

- Employment and contracting opportunities under 24 CFR Section 570.607;
- Lead based paint under 24 CFR Section 570.608;
- Citizen participation requirements under 24 CFR Section 91.200 (b), 91.115, and 91.401, as applicable;
- Grant administration requirement under 24 CFR Section 570.501 – 570.505; and
- Record keeping requirements under 24 CFR Section 570.506.
- All other applicable Federal Regulations.

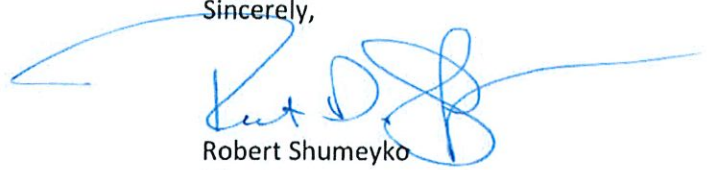
Please execute two (2) copies of the CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA Funding Approval/Agreements (and the CDBG Special Conditions attachment) and return one of the agreements to this office to the attention of Robert Shumeyko, Director, Community Planning and Development. Please ensure the City's elected official and/or authorized designee signs the grant agreements in the box **directly across from the HUD CPD Director's signature. Please Do NOT sign the agreement in box 12c.** Please return the executed grant agreement within 10 days.

For additional information and guidance, please refer to the HUD exchange at:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/manage-a-program/grant-based-accounting/>

We look forward to working with you during the year to accomplish the goals you have set forth for the City and to further refine and/or improve the Action Plan development process. In the meantime, if you have any questions or desire assistance concerning this letter or other items related to the community development programs, please contact Samantha Graves, Senior Community Planning & Development Representative at 617-994-8353.

Sincerely,

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Robert Shumeyko
Director



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Dear Ms. Buono:

Subject: 2019 One Year Action Plan – HOME Recapture Provisions.

One of the requirements of the 2019 One Year Action Plan for the City of Springfield was the submission of the PJ's recapture provisions. We have reviewed the City's recapture provision in accordance with the HOME requirements and found them to be consistent with current program requirements. Our approval of the City's HOME recapture provision does not preclude the possibility that issues may arise regarding this provision through HUD monitoring or technical assistance.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Samantha Graves, Senior CPD Representative, at 617-994-8353 or Samantha.Graves@hud.gov.

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Robert Shumeyko
Director