



Abandoned Housing Initiative Strategic Demolition Fund

Notice of Strategic Demolition Grant Funding Availability

In order to address severe residential property blight, the Attorney General's Office (AGO) has made available \$500,000 for demolition projects across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Funding requests must demonstrate an immediate community need for demolition, an absence of any other viable blight remediation measures, and plans for post-demolition site redevelopment.

The AGO has partnered with Chelsea Restoration Corporation, Fall River Community Development Agency, Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation, and Worcester Community Housing Resources, Inc. to administer the grant funds. Each of these four grantees will administer \$125,000 for their respective regions. Each grantee will accept requests for demolition funding and will forward their top choices for funding awards to the AGO for final approval. Each grantee will adhere to the general guidelines for demolition issued by the AGO, but can maintain their own specific terms and conditions. Each grantee's terms and conditions are attached as separate documents.

For more information on submitting requests for demolition funding, please contact your regional grantee. Grantee contact information and their regional jurisdictions (jurisdictional map attached as separate document) are as follows:

Chelsea Restoration Corporation (CRC)

Attn: Helen Zucco

154 Pearl Street, Chelsea, MA 02150

(617) 889-2277

hzucco@chelsearestoration.org

Jurisdiction:

- Essex County
- Middlesex County except: Ashby, Townsend, Hudson, and Marlborough
- Norfolk County except: Bellingham
- Suffolk County

Fall River Community Development Agency (FRCDA)

Attn: Michael Dion

One Government Center, Room 414, Fall River, MA 02722

(508) 679-0131

mdion@fallriverma.org

Jurisdiction:

- Barnstable County
- Bristol County
- Dukes County
- Nantucket
- Plymouth County



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Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation (MHIC)

Attn: Bruce Ehrlich

70 Federal Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02110

(617) 850-1040

ehrllich@mhic.com

Jurisdiction:

- Berkshire County
- Franklin County
- Hampden County
- Hampshire County

Worcester Community Housing Resources, Inc. (WCHR)

Attn: Andy Howarth

11 Pleasant Street, Suite 300, Worcester, MA 01608

(508) 799-0322

ahowarth@wchr.org

Jurisdiction

- Worcester County including: Ashby, Townsend, Hudson, Marlborough, and Bellingham

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