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Dear Municipal Executive:

Governor Healey and I are pleased to announce the availability of additional funding for municipalities across the Commonwealth to support community planning and engagement efforts geared towards increasing the production of housing. Approximately \$1.5M in community compact funds will be distributed competitively to eligible projects through the Community Planning Grant Program in the 2023 Community One Stop for Growth process.

All cities and towns are invited to apply for grants up to \$100,000 to advance housing opportunities in their community. The funding is available immediately and will be awarded in June 2023. **Awardees will need to be prepared to contract no later than June 30, 2023, but will have until June 30, 2025 to complete their project.** Interested communities can apply by completing and submitting a Full Application through the One Stop, which is accepting applications from May 1, 2023 through June 2, 2023.

These housing planning grants can be used for a variety of activities, such as undertaking a Housing Production Plan, conducting a feasibility study for housing on municipally owned land, hiring a consultant to revise zoning, aimed at achieving smart growth goals, creating a 40R Smart Growth District to allow multi-family near transit, complying with MBTA Communities requirements under MGL c40A section 3A, conducting an Economic Feasibility Study for inclusionary zoning, revising subdivision rules and regulations, adopting other simple majority and Housing Choice best practices, public outreach and engagement activities to educate your residents about housing needs, and more!

Please visit the One Stop website at www.mass.gov/onestop, for guidelines and details on how to apply. We are grateful for your interest and commitment to working with our administration to address this important issue. I understand first-hand the demand and challenges that communities face for resources, and the Governor and I are happy to make this opportunity available to your community.

If you have questions and/or need more information, please contact Chris Kluchman, Deputy Director of DHCD's Community Services Division, at chris.kluchman@mass.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kimberley Driscoll".

Kim Driscoll
Lieutenant Governor