



City of Portland District 5 Annual Meeting

November 17, 2021 at 6:30 PM
Remote Meeting via Zoom

1. ZOOM INFORMATION:

- a. Virtual meetings are allowed using emergency legislation approved by LD 2167; 1 M.R.S. §403A, that authorizes cities and towns to conduct meetings online. Allow your computer to install the free Zoom app to get the best meeting experience. If you are not able to attend live, a recording will be uploaded to portlandmaine.gov/livestream the next day.

For public comment, you will need to use the "raise your hand" feature. To raise your hand via the telephone, please hit *9. You will be unmuted by the host when it is time for public comment.

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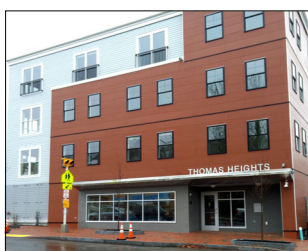
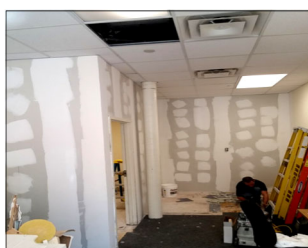
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2. Welcome and Introduction (Councilor Dion, 5 minutes)
3. City Staff Presentations (10 minutes)
 - a. CDBG Grant Information (Mary Davis)
 - b. City Communications Information (Jessica Grondin)
4. Community Q&A (Councilor Dion, 75 minutes)



Housing and Community Development

City of Portland, Maine

What is CDBG? The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program works to ensure decent affordable housing, provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. CDBG is an important tool for helping local governments tackle serious challenges facing their communities.

What is HOME? HOME is the largest Federal block grant to State and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. HOME's flexibility empowers people and communities to design and implement strategies tailored to their own needs and priorities.

CDBG funds at work:

Street and Sidewalk Restoration: The 2021-2022 construction season will include, Washington Avenue Sidewalk Accessibility improvements which include; new sidewalks along the west side of Washington Ave from Cumberland Ave to Oxford St.; widening the sidewalk, adding a new mid-block crossing at 44 Washington.

Public Facility Improvements: Past projects include Kennedy Park Basketball Courts, Dougherty Field, Fox Street Field, North Street Community Gardens, Fort Allen Park, and Libbytown Community Garden, Bayside Community Garden, and East Bayside Futsal Court.

Non-Profit Rehab: Past projects include LearningWorks, Milestone, IRIS Network, Preble Street Resource Center, Catherine Morrill Day Nursery, Youth and Family Outreach, Abyssinian, Irish Heritage Center, and The YMCA.

Economic Development: Past grant recipients include, CEI's Portland Microenterprise Assistance Program, the City's Business Assistance Program, Living with Peace, CEI, Portland Food Co-op, Creative Portland Corp.

Social Services: Past grant recipients include, Preble Street, Amistad, Wayside Foods, Milestone, Catherine Morrill Day Nursery, Community Policing, The Opportunity Alliance, City of Portland Social Services & Public Health Divisions, and Catholic Charities, Hope Acts, Furniture Friends, Greater Portland Family Promise.

HOME funds at work:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance: \$130,000 -\$140,000 of annual HOME funds are utilized to pay for security deposits and short term rental assistance for individuals and families residing in homeless shelters.

Housing Development: Since 2000, the City of Portland and the Cumberland County HOME Consortium have invested almost \$20 million in HOME funding to create or renovate more than 2300 units of affordable rental housing throughout Cumberland County. **Portland projects include:** Thomas Heights, 134 Washington Ave; 409 Cumberland Avenue; 53 Danforth Street; Elm Terrace, 66 High Street; Pearl Place, 180 & 184 Pearl Street; Bayside Anchor; Motherhouse; Deering Place; Front Street, 178 Kennebec Street; 977 Brighton Ave; 58 Boyd St. **County projects include:** Oak Leaf 2 Senior Housing, 24 South Street, Freeport; Sandy Creek Apartments, 41 Sawyer Circle, Bridgton; Steeple Square, Walker and Webb Streets, Westbrook, West End Phase I and II, So. Portland.

For more information about CDBG or HOME call: 207-874-8731



HEALTHY HOMES. HEALTHY FAMILIES.

PROPERTY OWNERS: IS OLD LEAD PAINT WEIGHING DOWN YOUR PROPERTY?

Half of all children poisoned by lead in
Maine live in rental housing. We can help
you protect your tenants from lead
poisoning. Financial assistance to income
qualifying units*



GREATER PORTLAND



Buildings built before 1978 may qualify* for financial assistance to address lead hazards:

Up to \$10,000 per unit for lead abatement

Up to \$5,000 per unit to address life and safety issues

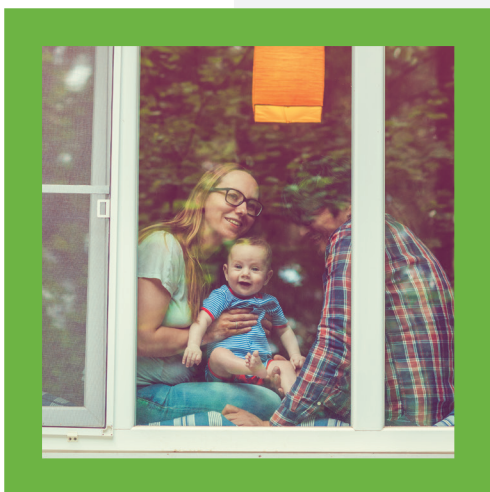
**Qualifications based on HUD Area Median Income Guidelines*

Be proactive. Address issues before a child becomes poisoned on your property.

Received an Order to Abate from the Maine CDC?

We may be able to help.

LET US HELP MAKE YOUR PROPERTY
SAFE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.



To learn more visit:

portlandmaine.gov/lead

Questions about making your property lead safe?

For more information:

leadsafehousing@portlandmaine.gov



Housing and Community Development Division

Want to receive notifications?

Would you like to receive notifications about meetings and events for CDBG, HOME, or the Lead Safe Housing Program?

Please contact the Housing and Community Development Division at (207)-874-8731 or via email at kwalth@portlandmaine.gov. Please indicate if you are interested in a specific program.

Have a project idea?

Do you or your organization have an idea for a CDBG project that would involve the use of City land, staff, or resources?

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