



**Notice of Public Hearing and Public Meeting**  
**CDBG Advisory Committee**

**Monday, December 18, 2025 at 7 PM**

**<https://amherstma.zoom.us/j/81521892214>**

The Public Hearing and Meeting will be conducted virtually at <https://amherstma.zoom.us/j/81521892214> and will accommodate public comment to the extent practical. To join the meeting via telephone: Call (312) 626-6799 or (646) 876-9923 and enter Webinar ID when prompted: **815 2189 2214**.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) has designated the Town of Amherst a Mini-Entitlement Community that is eligible to apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. CDBG funds support housing, community development projects and social service activities benefiting low-and moderate-income citizens. In accordance with State regulations, Amherst's CDBG Advisory Committee will hold a **Public Hearing on Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 7pm** to receive comments and suggestions regarding:

1. Ongoing activities from the FY2022/23 Grant:
  - a. Town of Amherst public infrastructure improvements—South East Street Neighborhood Park Improvements
2. Current Activities from the FY2024 Grant:
  - a. Amherst Mobile Market healthy food access project
  - b. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampshire County youth mentoring services
  - c. Center for New Americans adult education and ESOL programs
  - d. Family Outreach community housing and support services
  - e. Amherst Survival Center food bank
  - f. Valley CDC microenterprise assistance program
  - g. Town of Amherst public infrastructure improvements – North Pleasant Street Pedestrian Improvements
3. Community priorities for the FY2026 application process
  - a. Social services
  - b. Non-social services such as housing and public infrastructure
  - c. Target areas where non-social services can take place
  - d. Community Development Strategy

**PUBLIC MEETING**

1. Announcements
2. Discuss and review comments from public hearing
3. Review Requests for Proposals for FY2026.
4. Public Comment
5. Other items not anticipated within 48 hours

**Any person or organization wishing to be heard will be afforded an opportunity. Reasonable accommodations such as language translations services can be provided if requested 7 days before the meeting via a written request to the Town Manager's Office. Questions and written comments may be submitted any time to Planner, Walker Powell ([powellw@amherstma.gov](mailto:powellw@amherstma.gov)).**