

Memorandum

То:	West Tisbury Board of Selectmen
CC:	Jennifer Rand, Town Administrator
From:	Cassie Boyd Marsh, Bailey Boyd Associates, Inc.
Subject:	Participation in FY24 Edgartown Regional CDBG Grant
Date:	February 5, 2024

The Town of Edgartown will once again be submitting a regional Community Development Block Grant requesting funds for housing rehabilitation and childcare subsidies. In recent years the Edgartown Select Board has invited the towns of West Tisbury and Aquinnah to participate at no cost to the towns.

The Housing Rehabilitation Program:

The Edgartown Regional Housing Rehab Program will fund 14 households with a 0% interest deferred payment forgivable loan, making repairs of up to \$70,000 to keep low and moderate-income residents in their homes. Code repairs, weatherization and health and safety violations will be the priority of the program, along with handicap accessibility. All applicants are accepted regionally on a first come/first served basis, although we have allocated 6 slots for West Tisbury residents.

The Childcare Subsidy Program:

This program will provide up to \$7,000 per eligible child to subsidize care while parents work, go to school or seek employment. The funds go directly to the participating certified childcare provider based upon the child's attendance. These funds subsidize the parent's payments on a sliding scale basis.

The Housing Rehab and Childcare Subsidy programs are also an important economic catalyst as the majority of contractors and all of the childcare providers are local.

If the town of West Tisbury would like to participate in the FY24 joint application, please sign the attached EOHLC Joint Authorization Form and <u>email it to Cassie Boyd Marsh by March 8, 2024</u>.

As always there is no cost to the town and an enormous benefit to local residents, contractors and childcare providers. I'd be glad to answer any questions that you may have.

MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FFY 2024

Community Development Fund 2024 Joint Application Authorization: West Tisbury

CDF-2024-Edgartown*-00016

MUNICIPALITY:	West Tisbury	
Contact Person:		

Name

Title

Jennifer Rand Town Administrator

Signature of Chief Elected Official

Printed Name of Chief Elected Official

Title of Chief Elected Official