

**CITY OF NEW YORK**  
**OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (NYCOMB)**  
**COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING (CPF)**  
**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 27, 2026, the City of New York (the City) anticipates submitting, on behalf of Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM), a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) funds authorized under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328) to undertake an activity known as the BAM Rose Cinemas renovation project. BAM proposes to use \$1,000,000 in federally-appropriated CPF funds, administered by HUD, as part of the overall \$13,550,000 renovation project.

The proposed project site is located at 30 Lafayette Avenue in Brooklyn, NY. BAM Rose Cinemas, originally a music hall, then converted to a playhouse, was transformed into BAM Rose Cinemas in 1998 and currently houses four theaters. Proposed renovation activities would include the following:

1. Installation of new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant lifts and reconfigured rows/aisles for improved accessibility.
2. Renovation of four existing cinemas, lobbies, and support spaces to include new seats, finishes, lighting, and equipment.
3. Installation of new digital signage, wayfinding, and graphics.
4. Renovation of existing bathrooms and concessions areas to include new fixtures, finishes, and equipment.

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO SECTION 58.35

In accordance with 24 CFR Part 58.35 of the HUD Environmental Review Procedures for HUD funded activities, the implementation of the BAM Rose Cinemas renovation project, in Brooklyn, New York, has been determined to be categorically excluded from the Environmental Assessment requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The project involves improvements at a non-residential structure in which facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity more than 20 percent. Further, the project would not involve a change in land use. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Juliet Jacobs, Unit Head – Environmental (CD), New York City Office of Management and Budget, at 255 Greenwich Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10007, or by email to [CDBGComments@omb.nyc.gov](mailto:CDBGComments@omb.nyc.gov).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the NYC OMB at the above address and email. All comments received by April 24, 2026, will be considered by NYC OMB prior to authorizing the submission of a request for release of funds. Those wishing to comment should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

