

CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (NYC OMB)
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – DISASTER RECOVERY (CDBG-DR)
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI RROF)

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 28, 2026, the City of New York (the City) will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds, authorized under the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, of January 29, 2013 (Public Law 113-2), to undertake a project known as the South Street Seaport Museum Exhibition project. The City proposes to award approximately \$51,000 in CDBG-DR funds for an approximately \$147,600 project in order to support the creation of an exhibition of cultural and archaeological resources.

The proposed project aims to create an exhibition at the South Street Seaport Museum, located at 213 Water Street, New York, NY 10038, of cultural resources discovered during archaeological monitoring at Corlears Hook Park, located to the east of the Museum at 397 FDR Drive, New York, NY 10002. Proposed activities would include design and implementation of the exhibition on the fourth floor of the historic A.A. Thomson & Co. building. Specific activities would include, but are not limited to: case fabrication; lighting and art installation; gallery preparation (painting and installation of temporary walls); digital marketing; printing and publication of materials; staff time; and the purchase of materials. All renovations would be temporary and limited to the interior of the structure.

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO SECTION 58.35

In accordance with 24 CFR 58.35 of the HUD Environmental Review Procedures for HUD funded activities, the implementation of the South Street Seaport Exhibition project at the proposed site listed above has been determined to be categorically excluded from the Environmental Assessment requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The proposed project involves rehabilitation and / or improvements at non-residential structures pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(iii). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR is available for review at www.nyc.gov/site/cdbgdr/hurricane-sandy/sandy-environmental-records.page

The ERR will also be made available to the public for review, upon request, either electronically, by U.S. mail, or in person. Please submit your request to NYC OMB by mail or in person at 255 Greenwich Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10007, Attention: Juliet Jacobs, Environmental Unit Head, or via email to CDBGComments@omb.nyc.gov. NYC OMB's office is open on weekdays, between the hours of 9:30 AM and 5:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit comments on the ERR to the NYC OMB by mail, in person, or via email to the addresses listed above. Comments may be submitted by phone to (212) 788-1653. All comments received by September 25, 2026, will be considered by NYC OMB prior to authorizing the submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which part of this Notice is being addressed.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

NYC OMB certifies to HUD that the City and Julie Freeman, in her capacity as Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City to use CDBG-DR Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and NYC OMB's certification for a period of fifteen days following its actual receipt of the request only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of NYC OMB; (b) NYC OMB has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to CPDRROFNYC@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

City of New York Zohran Kwame Mamdani, Mayor
Sherif Soliman, Director of Management and Budget

Date: September 18, 2026