



*City of Northampton  
Community Preservation Committee  
210 Main Street, City Hall  
Northampton, MA 01060*

April 28, 2022

James Nash  
City Council President  
210 Main Street, Room 16  
Northampton, MA 01060

Re: Community Preservation Committee Recommendations for Funding, Spring 2022

President Nash and City Councilors,

In January 2022, the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) began reviewing project proposals submitted for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding consideration for the second round of CPA funding in FY2023. After extensive review including applicant presentations, site visits, public comment sessions and deliberation, the CPC unanimously voted to recommend two funding requests totaling \$837,068, in addition to the small grant projects already approved by Council this winter. Combined with the \$1,392,322 recommended by the CPC and approved by Council in late 2021, these will fully expend CPA funding available this fiscal year.

The CPC encourages Councilors and the public to visit <https://northamptonma.gov/1048/Community-Preservation-Committee> to view the full applications submitted for each project funded this round. Meeting minutes, the City's Community Preservation Plan, information about the CPA, financial documents and other project materials can be accessed on the CPC's webpage: [www.northamptonma.gov/1048/Community-Preservation-Committee](http://www.northamptonma.gov/1048/Community-Preservation-Committee)

Please do not hesitate to contact myself, or Preservation Planner Sarah LaValley with any questions about the projects, the Committee's recommendations, or if additional information is needed.

**Projects Recommended for Funding:**

**Prospect Place Housing, Valley Community Development Corporation, \$664,068**

CPA funds will be utilized to create approximately 60 affordable units at the former Northampton Nursing Home on Bridge Road. The existing building will be renovated and reused, with a mix of studio through three bedroom rental units for families created. This project leverages \$25 million in funding from a variety of other sources, and the CPC received extensive public support for the project.

**Shepherd Barn Rehabilitation, Historic Northampton, \$173,000**

CPA funds will be used to complete the preservation, restoration and renovation of the 1805 Shepherd Barn, and make it available as a new space for Historic Northampton to use for exhibits and programming. CPA funds will be used for a new foundation, flooring and siding work, and ventilation and electrical upgrades.

Thank you,

Brian Adams  
Chair, City of Northampton Community Preservation Committee