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**Environmental Assessment
Determinations and Compliance Findings
for HUD-assisted Projects
24 CFR Part 58**

Project Information

Project Name: Joe's-Place-and-Teen-Shelter

HEROS Number: 900000010415388

Start Date: 07/30/2024

Project Location: 343 Cumberland Ave., Portland, ME 04101

Additional Location Information:

N/A

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

Congressional spending grant funds will fund the new teen shelter in downtown Portland. The project will consolidate Preble Street Teen Center and Joe Kreisler Teen Shelter (JKTS) into one location in the building owned and operated by Preble Street in downtown Portland at 343 Cumberland Ave. The building renovation will consolidate the current teen drop-in center with the overnight shelter into one location called Joe's House. The new location will be a 28-bed facility open 24/7 to shelter homeless and at risk teens. Wrap around services include emergency shelter, food, clothing, counseling and referrals for healthcare will all be located at Joe's House, to meet the needs of the high-risk population.

Funding Information

Grant Number	HUD Program	Program Name	
B-24-CP-ME-1067	Other	CPF grant	\$2,000,000.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$2,000,000.00

Estimated Total Project Cost [24 CFR 58.2 (a) (5)]: \$3,500,000.00

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [CFR 1505.2(c)]:

Summarized below are all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

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Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure or Condition
Contamination and Toxic Substances	Please see 'Mitigation Compliance Summary' uploaded at end of this section.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards	The one AST that is within the ASD is associated with the 1,300-gallon diesel AST that is part of the backup generator system for the building. This AST is located on the northeast corner of the building such that the building separates the AST from the site and a blast would be directed away from the site. As such, while the 1,300-gallon diesel AST is within the ASD, there are no mitigation measures that would be required.
Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	No mitigation required other than following the conditional uses provided in the planning board approval letter (included in supporting documentation titled "Joe's Place- Planning Board Approval Letter").
Soil Suitability / Slope/ Erosion / Drainage and Storm Water Runoff	Drainage problems will be resolved by repairing the floor and floor drains in the courtyard. Design plans have been included in the supporting documentation titled "Joe's Place- Design Development Plans, 2024.09.03".
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Site-Generated Noise	No mitigation required other than general safety standards during construction and compliance with the City of Portland's noise ordinance. Construction noise is permitted from 7 AM to 6 PM, Monday through Saturday, at a level of 85 decibels (dBA) at a distance of 50 feet. Equipment should be in good repair and muffled if possible.
Energy Efficiency	No mitigation required.
Employment and Income Patterns	No mitigation required.
Demographic Character Changes / Displacement	No mitigation required.
Educational and Cultural Facilities (Access and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Commercial Facilities (Access and Proximity)	No mitigation required.
Health Care / Social Services (Access and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling (Feasibility and Capacity)	No mitigation required other than complying with Maines Solid Waste Rules General Provisions (Chapter 400).
Waste Water and Sanitary Sewers (Feasibility and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Water Supply (Feasibility and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	No mitigation required.

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Parks, Open Space and Recreation (Access and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Transportation and Accessibility (Access and Capacity)	No mitigation required.
Unique Natural Features /Water Resources	No mitigation required.
Vegetation / Wildlife (Introduction, Modification, Removal, Disruption, etc.)	No mitigation required.
Climate Change	No mitigation required.
Environmental Justice EA Factor	No mitigation required.
Permits, reviews, and approvals	See attached final project plans stamped by City and associated planning board approval and conditions of approval. Typical construction permits would be obtained prior to commencement of work at the Site.

Project Mitigation Plan

Please see attached Mitigation Compliance Summary for Project Mitigation Plan.

[Mitigation Compliance Summary\(1\).pdf](#)**Determination:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Finding of No Significant Impact [24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.13] The project will not result in a significant impact on the quality of human environment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Finding of Significant Impact

Preparer Signature: Mary P. Davis Date: 02/13/2025

Name / Title/ Organization: Ronda Jones / / PORTLAND Mary P. Davis, HCD Division Director

Certifying Officer Signature: Danielle P. West Date: 02/28/2025Name/ Title: Danielle P. West, City Manager

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environment Review Record (ERR) for the activity / project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

**U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development**
Office of Community Planning
and Development

OMB No. 2506-0087
(exp. 04/30/2027)

This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) Community Project Funding	2. HUD/State Identification Number B-24-CP-ME-1067	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional) <div></div>
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) 14.251	5. Name and address of responsible entity City of Portland, 389 Congress Street Portland ME 04101	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) Mary Davis 207 874 8711 mpd@portlandmaine.gov	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity) Preble Street, 55 Portland Street, Portland, ME 04101	
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development CPD Office 10 Causeway St 3 rd Fl Boston MA 02222-1092		

The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) Joe's Place	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) 343 Cumberland Avenue Portland ME 04101
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11. Program Activity/Project Description

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Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.
4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did ☐ did not ☒ require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.

5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.
9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity

Title of Certifying Officer

City Manager

X DocuSigned by:

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Date signed

March 3, 2025

Address of Certifying Officer

City of Portland, ME, 389 Congress Street, Portland, ME 04101

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient

Title of Authorized Officer

Mark Swann

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Date signed

March 3, 2025

We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct. WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§ 287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. §3729, 3802)