

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

DATE OF NOTICE: November 24, 2025
RESPONSIBLE ENTITY: City of Youngstown
ADDRESS: 26 S Phelps St
Youngstown, OH 44503
TELEPHONE: 330-742-8876

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by The Mahoning Valley Community School.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 10, 2025, the City of Youngstown will authorize The Mahoning Valley Community School to submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) funds under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, P.L. 118-42, to undertake the following project:

Project Name: MVCS Community Learning Center
Recipient: The Mahoning Valley Community School
Location: 2026 South Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

Project Description:

The Mahoning Valley Community School will construct an approximate 16,000 square foot addition to its current location at 2026 South Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio that will consist of a gymnasium, cafeteria, additional classroom space, kitchen, locker rooms and mechanical room. The construction will be a pre-engineered metal building with a brick facade attached by an enclosed corridor to the existing school building. The addition will enhance the services provided to the Drop-Out Prevention and Recovery School and Community Learning Center that include medical, dental, mental health, educational, childcare, and workforce development all in a trauma-informed environment. The project's total cost is estimated to be \$3 million.

Federal Community Project Funding (CPF) Grant: \$2,500,000
State of Ohio One-Time Strategic Community Investment Grant: \$500,000

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Youngstown has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Community Planning and Economic Development Department, 26 S. Phelps St, 4th Floor, Youngstown, Ohio 44503 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Debra Byrd, Community Planning and Economic Development, 26 S. Phelps St, 4th Floor, Youngstown, Ohio 44503, or by email to dbyrd@youngstownohio.gov. All comments received by December 9, 2025, will be considered by the City of Youngstown prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Youngstown certifies to HUD that Jamael Tito Brown, Certifying Officer, in his capacity as Mayor, 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 Mahoning Valley Community School to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Youngstown's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Youngstown; (b) the City of Youngstown 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 development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities 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 CPD Director, HUD Columbus Field Office, at CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD Columbus via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jamael Tito Brown, Mayor