

RI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICATION COVER

1. COMMUNITY INFORMATION	
City/Town:	Town of Foster
Duns #:	781584636
Tax ID #:	05-6000153

2. APPLICATION CONTACT INFORMATION	
Contact Person:	Ann-Marie L. Ignasher
Title:	Town Planner
Phone:	401-392-9203
Email:	amignasher@townofoster.com
Fax:	401-702-5010
Mailing Address:	181 Howard Hill Road Foster, RI 02825

3. Total Funding Requested	
Total Funding Requested (Should reconcile with Budget Page)	\$150,000.00

Authorizing Resolution

The following certification must be completed and submitted as part of the final application:

This is certified as a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Town of Foster, RI at a meeting held on **JUNE 12, 2014**.

WHEREAS, funds are available under the Rhode Island Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the Department of Administration, Division of Planning, Office of Housing and Community Development; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Rhode Island has authorized the Director of said Department/Office to disburse such funds; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the citizens of the Town of Foster, RI application be made to undertake a local Community Development Block Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOSTER, RI

That the filing of this application for the amount of \$ **150,000.00** to implement the activities proposed herein hereby authorized and that **JOHN J. LEWIS, JR. Town Council President** (Chief Executive Officer) is hereby authorized and directed to file this application with the Office of Housing and Community Development, to provide any additional information or documents required by said office, to make any assurances required in connection with this program, to execute an agreement with the State of Rhode Island and to otherwise act as the Representative of the **Town of Foster, RI** in all matters relating to this application and any award which may be based upon this application.

Date:

Signature:

Seal:

Title: Carol Lyons-Sholly, Town Clerk

Town Council President Signature (Empowered by Resolution #14-01-Above)

Name & Title:

John J. Lewis, Jr., Town Council President

Signature:

Date:

Continuation of Public Hearing

The following certification must be completed and submitted as part of the final application:

1st Hearing Ad:	4/9 & 4/10	Held: April 24, 2014	Foster Town House
2nd Hearing Ad:	5/28 & 5/29	Held: June 12, 2014	Foster Town House

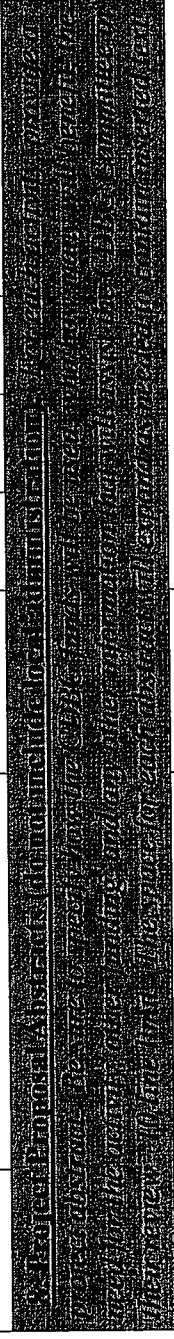
I hereby certify that public hearings duly advertised and convened on the above listed dates have been completed and that public comments made as the result of this process have been considered in the development of proposals contained in this application.

Date:

Signature:

Title: John J. Lewis, Jr., Town Council President

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Project Priority	Project Title	Amount Requested			
1	Foster Senior Housing, Inc. Hemlock Village	\$ 140,000.00	Insert abstract below:		
Abstract >	<p>The requested CDBG funds will be used to replace the roofs on four of the buildings at Hemlock Village; all four buildings contain residential units. The existing roofs are approximately 20 to 30 years old and are in desperate need of replacement. Hemlock Village is the only affordable housing complex for the elderly and disabled within the Foster community. The Town of Foster has approximately 41 subsidized / affordable housing units in the entire town, and Hemlock Village contains 30 of those units. Though the USDA subsidizes Hemlock Village, USDA can only offer low interest loans at this time. Foster Senior Housing has \$5,000.00 in reserve funds designated for this project. The project will rehabilitate housing occupied by low-income elderly/disabled persons so it is consistent w/Eligible Rehabilitation and the National L/M Income Housing Objective.</p>				
2	Foster Dept. Human Services' Food Pantry	\$ 4,000.00	Insert abstract below:		
Abstract >	<p>The requested CDBG funds will be used to keep the food pantry shelves stocked with non-perishable food items and purchase monthly food vouchers for perishable food items such as milk, meat, cheese, fresh produce, etc. Of the 235 unduplicated individuals receiving food assistance this past year, 116 people were in the extremely low income bracket, 76 people were in the very low income bracket and 43 people were in the low income bracket. No individuals served by the food pantry were in the moderate income bracket, although this population would be provided for as needed. Most households usually visit the food pantry once a month; other families visit more frequently, and others visit only a few times a year. Providing food assistance helps avail financial resources that families need for housing, heat, utilities, medical needs, transportation etc.</p>				
3	Rhode Island Center for Law and Public Policy / Legal Clinic for Low / Moderate Income Residents	\$ 4,000.00	Insert abstract below:		
Abstract >	<p>Since May 30, 2012, RICLAPP has provided monthly legal services to traditionally underserved Foster residents through our regularly scheduled "legal clinics" at the Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster. Our program has provided a stable presence in the community, removing income and mobility issues that impede access to legal services. We provide civil legal services to low / moderate income clients in several legal areas including denial of public benefits, defense against predatory debt collectors, fair housing issues, end-of-life planning, and small estate probate /</p>				

guardianship matters. In 2013, 96% of clients (average income \$20,834) received pro bono services. This program conforms to National Objective Section 105(a)(8) and CFR § 570.489(b)(2)(i)(A), (ii) (A) – (D).

4	Housing Network / Community Housing Land Trust	\$ 2,000.00	Insert abstract below:
Abstract >	The Community Housing Land Trust's primary goal is to match people of low and moderate incomes with housing that is "affordable" as defined by federal law. Many Rhode Island cities and towns are working towards their state mandate of 10% affordable housing goal. The CHLT helps by providing technical assistance to communities and developers such as standardized documentation, income certification, and certifying housing affordability. As one of the few Affordable Housing Monitoring Agencies certified by the state housing finance agency, we are able to determine income eligibility and execute the deed restrictions and ground leases for owners and renters that preserve the affordability of the housing units. We also provide technical assistance on a statewide level through various outreach initiatives and programs like SHARP.		
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The most affirmative action taken within the last year has been the re-establishment of the Town of Foster Home Repair Program. The Town of Foster received permission from the State allowing the Town to move forward to find an organization to conduct its home repair program, and Foster's Home Repair Program is now managed by NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley. As of the writing of this application, they have replaced a furnace, and they currently have five (5) projects for home repair in various stages. These projects will use the remaining funds designated for housing rehabilitation in all remaining project years. It appears that next year the Town's CDBG application will include a request for more housing rehabilitation funds.

At present, there are no other housing developments or projects currently underway.

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SEE THE APPENDIX - ATTACHMENTS

**CDBG Application
Balances Sheet (as of 3/31/13)**

Please detail all remaining funds (funds not drawdown from the State) for any activity in any open grant year. Do not list activities with a zero (0) balance. List activities individually; do not aggregate. Note that this information will be used in assessing past performance in the evaluation of applications/activities.

GRANT YEAR:	ACTIVITY:	BALANCE Not Yet Drawn:
2009	Housing Rehabilitation (1) See Notes Below	\$ 6,000.00
2010	Housing Rehabilitation (2)	\$ 30,950.00
2010	Operating Expenses (3)	\$ 12,902.42
2010	Administrative Expenses	\$ 2,000.00
2011	Housing Rehabilitation (4)	\$ 72,000.00
2011	Operating Expenses (5)	\$ 18,000.00
2012	Food Pantry (6)	\$ 2,000.00
2013	Food Pantry (7)	\$ 2,000.00
	(1) All of these funds are obligated as of 04/15/14	
	(2) All of these funds are obligated as of 04/15/14	
	(3) A portion of these funds are obligated as of 04/15/14	
	(4) All of these funds were recently obligated – per 05/13/14 memo received from NWBRV (*)	
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	(6) Recently signed the 2012/2013 contract – these funds will be drawn down / requested by end of June, 2014	
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	(*) See the attached “Foster Home Repair Program – Status May 13, 2014”	
	(#) See also the attached copy of letter dated April 23, 2014 Requesting Waiver of Expenditure Threshold.	

EXHIBIT 'A'
FOR BALANCE SHEET

Foster Home Repair Program - Status May 13, 2014

Name/Address	Case #	Application Date	Amount	Status	Anticipated Close-Out
East Killingsly Road	13-FHRP-1	10/17/13	\$25,000	Out to Bid ¹	Sept. 2014
Round Hill Road	13-FHRP-2	12/3/2013	\$25,000	Ready for Bidding ²	Sept. 2014
Cucumber Hill Road	13-FHRP-3	1/15/14	\$25,000	See note ³	---
Danielson Pike	14-FHRP-1	4/15/14	\$25,000	See Note ⁴	---
Luther Road	14-FHRP-2	5/10/14	\$25,000	Pending	---

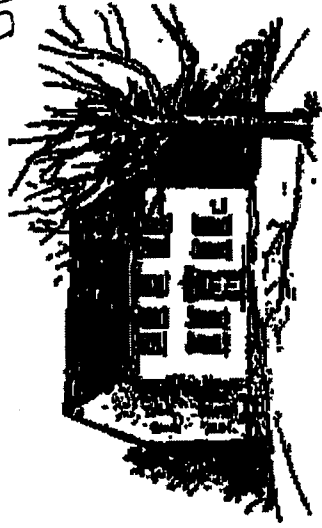
¹ Part one bidding. Anticipate second bidding for remainder of project delayed by RIHP&HC Determination

² Includes window project committed to property owner before dissolution of WRHRP

Property awarded emergency furnace replacement. Remainder of rehabilitation project pending.

⁴ Awaiting Environmental Review clearance

EXHIBIT "B"
BALANCE SHEET.



Town of Foster

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Kelli M. Russ, Town Treasurer
Ann-Marie L. Ignasher, Town Planner

April 23, 2014

Mr. Michael Tondra, Chief
Office of Housing and Community Development
Department of Administration
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908-5890

RE: Request for Waiver of Expenditure Threshold- PY 2011

Dear Mr. Tondra:

Please accept this correspondence as our official request for a waiver of the expenditure Threshold of 75% drawdown for Project Year 2011. In 2011 the Town of Foster was granted an award of \$92,000.00; of which \$2,000.00 was awarded to the Department of Human Services (those funds have been expended); and the remaining \$90,000.00 was for housing rehabilitation and the operating costs of same.

Due to the issues surrounding Western Rhode Island Home Repair (WRIHR) the Town of Foster's housing rehabilitation program was not in operation for approximately two to two and one-half years. Foster's housing rehabilitation program was recently taken over by, and re-opened by NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley. Since the re-opening, approximately \$15,660.00 of the PY 2011 award has become obligated for an upcoming housing rehabilitation project.

If we are allowed the requested waiver, NeighborWorks will not have a need to apply for any further funding in this grant round.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter, and we await your reply.

Sincerely,

Kelli M. Russ, Town Treasurer Ann-Marie L. Ignasher, Town Planner

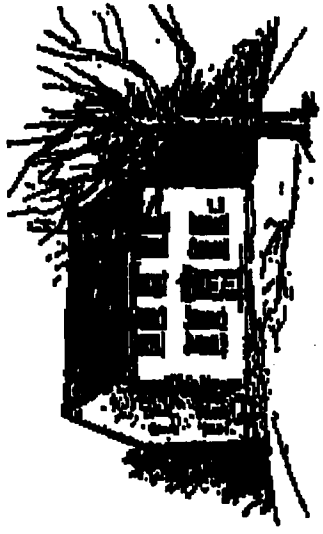
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**Community Development Block Grant Program
Annual Budget**

Grant Year: 2014-2015
Applicant: Town of Foster

	CDBG FUNDS	Program Income	Other Public Funds	Private Funds	Grand Total
ACQUISITION:					
Commercial					
Housing Development					
Downpayment					
Downpayment Operating					
REHABILITATION / HOUSING PROJECTS					
Housing Grants/Loans					
Housing Grants/Loans Operating					
PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS					
Foster Senior Housing, Inc.	\$ 140,000.00			\$ 5,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
PUBLIC SERVICE					
Foster Dept. Human Services	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 7,078.00	\$ 14,773.00	\$ 25,851.00
RI Center Law & Public Policy	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 2,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:					
OTHER					
PLANNING:					
Housing Network / CHLT	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 85,000.00		\$ 99,000.00
ADMINISTRATION:					
TOTALS:	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 92,078.00	\$ 22,273.00	\$ 276,351.00

Total Program Income Projected to be Received: unknown



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Ann-Marie L. Ignasher, Town Planner

May 20, 2014

Mr. Jeffrey Ermyd, Project Review
RI Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission
Old State House
150 Benefit Street
Providence, RI 02903-1209

Re: Town of Foster Community Development Block Grant Application – 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

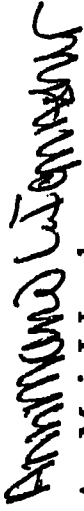
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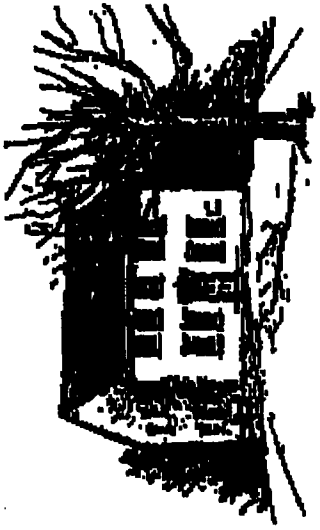
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Very truly yours,



Ann-Marie L. Ignasher
Foster Town Planner



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Ann-Marie L. Ignasher, Town Planner

May 20, 2014

Narragansett Indian Tribe
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
PO Box 268
Charlestown, RI 02813

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DOCUMENTATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED AND PLAN COMPLIANCE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT NEEDS

Briefly identify and document all community development and housing needs in accordance with the objectives of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, particularly the needs of low and moderate income residents. List needs in order of local priorities. Reference sources which will verify these needs (Sources need not be attached).

Community Characteristics

Foster is a small rural community located in the northwest corner of the State of Rhode Island. Its thirty-two (32) square miles of real estate contain numerous small subsistence farms, and various livestock farms. Foster's historical and agricultural properties are similar to those of the neighboring Towns of Scituate and Glocester. Foster's commercial areas are located along the Route 6 and Route 101 corridors, with small cottage industries spread throughout the community. Individuals and families living in Foster enjoy the tranquility that characterizes the Community.

Census Data / Demographics

According to the 2010 Census, Foster's population is 4606, there are 1760 housing units, and 1681 are occupied homes, approximately 46 are vacant, 1635 are owner occupied and approximately 79 are rented units. A significant proportion of the housing stock in Foster is old; approximately 315 homes or almost 18% were constructed prior to 1940.

The 2010 Census reports that approximately 2.7% (126 individuals) of Foster residents have income below the poverty level. Of the total population, 25.6% or approximately 1180 individuals are reported at or below moderate income. These individuals and families are geographically located throughout the Town.

The Town of Foster relies predominantly upon the residential tax base to support municipal services. Of the total developed land in the community, residential housing comprises approximately 75% of the land usage. A much smaller percentage, approximately 5% is devoted to commercial and industrial businesses. With the lack of public utilities, the topography of the land, and environmental development restrictions, substantial industrial and/or commercial growth is not anticipated in the near future. Accordingly, any costs associated with an increase in public services will be borne by the residential taxpayer.

Community Development Needs / Priorities

As noted in the Foster's Census Data / Demographics, the establishment of any public service in Foster generally requires a responding investment by the residential taxpayer. Given the relative size of the community and its tax base, continuation of public services can be a burdensome and costly prospect for

Town residents. Accordingly, any services that are identified as priority needs are carefully scrutinized for the value added in implementing, or continuing such a program or idea.

Housing Rehabilitation Program:

During this particular grant round the Town of Foster is not requesting any grant funds for its housing rehabilitation program, as this program was recently re-established after the dissolution of the WRHHR (Western Rhode Island Home Repair) program. The Town of Foster Home Repair Program has already obligated all of the prior program years' funds between five (5) projects for low / moderate income families; however, it will take some time before these particular housing rehabilitation projects are completed. As of this writing the projects are all in various stages of approval. (See the attached 'Foster Home Repair Program -- Status May 13, 2014' report)

Housing Projects:

Priority #1 – To Provide Low / Moderate Income Residents, the Elderly and Handicapped With Safe and Stable Housing, through the rehabilitation of an existing affordable housing developed With and/or property.

Foster Senior Housing, Inc. runs the one and only senior and disabled housing complex, Hemlock Village, within the Foster community. There is a need to replace the aging roofs (approximately, 20 to 30 years old) on four of the buildings at Hemlock Village; all four buildings contain residential units for the elderly and handicapped. The Town of Foster has approximately 41 units of affordable housing and Hemlock Village contains 30 of those units. Therefore, the community need to maintain what limited affordable housing exists is a top priority. The project will rehabilitate housing occupied by low-income elderly/disabled persons at affordable rents therefore the project is meets the national objectives as follows: predominately benefits low-and-moderate income persons; and there is a sense of urgency to maintain the housing, and rehabilitate its current condition to avoid a possible threat to the safety and welfare of the residents living at Hemlock Village, the Town's only source of affordable housing for the elderly and handicapped.

Public Facilities / Improvements and Public Services:

Priority #2 – To Provide the Low and Moderate Income Residents of Foster with Food Commodities and Food Vouchers; through the Town of Foster's Food Pantry

The Foster Food Pantry is under the direction of the Foster Department of Human Services. The location of the Food Pantry is on the lower level of the Foster Town Hall. The Town of Foster is seeking funds to help support one of the Food Pantry's current programs – that of purchasing food vouchers from various local grocery stores (there are no grocery stores in Foster) and also assisting in maintaining a stock of non-perishable food items on the pantry shelves.

The Foster Department of Human Services offers various services to the Low and Moderate Income residents of Foster, such as, general public assistance, medical assistance, and assistance to the elderly. It also provides a Food Bank (pantry), Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets, and is the main contact on behalf of Foster residents to the Salvation Army Good Neighbor Fund. This low-cost service has been successful over the past 16 years in meeting the needs of local individuals and families. Volunteerism

and philanthropy are important elements in implementing this program. Members of the community, local schools, and business organizations provide generous contributions, and members of local agencies and civic organizations help out with bagging of the commodities. Also, it has been found that often people who receive help from the Department often come back and volunteer their time to the department by bagging groceries, organizing food and clothing donations, and preparing baskets; that way they are helping others in a similar way that they themselves were helped.

Priority #3 – To Provide the Low and Moderate Income Residents of Foster With Affordable Legal Services

RI CLAPP has provided legal services to Low and Moderate Income Residents of Foster since May, 2012. They work in collaboration with the Foster Director of Human Services to make appointments and to open the Benjamin Eddy Building (a centrally located building – near the Town Hall) for RI CLAPP to meet with clients.

RI CLAPP helps Low and Moderate Income Residents and the Elderly to obtain proper access to legal services that they may not otherwise be able to afford, or travel to. Instead of clients attempting long distance travel, which is difficult as Foster, being outside of the Urban Services Boundary (USB), does not have access to public transportation, RI CLAPP travels out to Foster to assist those that otherwise could not afford to travel to obtain legal services.

At present, RI CLAPP offers its service to Foster residents once a month. RI CLAPP is also willing to travel to those Foster residents that are homebound and/or hospitalized or institutionalized.

Some of the services RI CLAPP provides to Low / Moderate Income residents are: estate planning from wills to power of attorneys; representation in any landlord/tenant issues; representation before Social Security on a variety of issues; guardianship matters; real property issues and probate matters. Their program is not just a stable presence in the community it also removes the income, and mobility issues often faced by low / moderate income residents that impede access to the legal services.

Economic Development Activities:

There are no economic development activities in this year's application.

Other Activities:

Priority #4 – To Provide Technical Assistance to Communities and Developers such as standardized documentation, income certification, and certification of housing affordability

This is the first year that the Town of Foster has put forth an application for such a program. This particular program is offered by Housing Network through their Community Housing Land Trust. Though this particular program offering has never had any direct contact with the Foster community in the past, the Planning Board could see the need for such a program in the future.

As stated in their abstract – “The Community Housing Land Trust’s primary goal is to match people of low and moderate incomes with housing that is “Affordable” as defined by federal law... The CHLT helps by providing technical assistance to communities and developers such as standardized documentation, income certification, and certifying housing affordability. As one of the few Affordable Housing

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SUMMARY

All of the projects submitted as part of this application meet a national objective by predominately providing a benefit to low and moderate income persons, and continuing the provision of decent housing and suitable living environment for the same low to moderate income persons.

Foster’s priority needs complement each other to form a cohesive approach to community services (and development) given the constraints to such services (and development) as noted in the body of this proposal. These proposed activities were reviewed for compliance with the Town’s Comprehensive Community Plan on March 6, 2013. The Foster Planning Board concluded that these programs are consistent with the overall goals of the Plan. It should be noted that Foster’s needs fall within the scope of the Community Development Block Grant Program and are in compliance with the national objectives set forth by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(Please See the Planning Board Certification and the Appendix)

LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMPLIANCE

Describe how the proposed activities are in compliance with the local Comprehensive Community Plan and with local development ordinances and regulations.

Describe how each proposed project is consistent with the State Land Use Plan, Municipal Affordable Housing Plan, and the State Strategic Affordable Housing Plan, or meet the general standards and principles set forth in the aforementioned plans applicable to the activity.

All of the above described proposed activities are in compliance with the local Comprehensive Community Plan. During a regularly scheduled meeting of the Foster Planning Board on May 7, 2014 all of the applicants appeared before the Board and presented their individual proposals. At the end of the presentations the Planning Board determined whether the applications were in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and then the Board decided the priority rankings of the applications. It was noted that the only application that might require any further town approvals (by way of application to the building official) would be the Hemlock Village to replace the roofs. Therefore, all of the applications are in compliance with local development ordinances and regulations.

The actual minutes of the May 7, 2014 meeting and the votes taken are attached for your convenience and review – they are part of the appendices attached hereto.

All of the proposals presented in this application assist the Low / Moderate Income Residents of the Town of Foster by assisting them with their basic needs, housing, food, and access to legal services and affordable housing, and therefore the proposals in this application meet the general standards and principles set forth in the State Land Use Plan, Municipal Affordable Housing Plan, and State Strategic Affordable Housing Plan

STATE LAND USE PLAN COMPLIANCE

For each activity, specify the following:

1) *Specific Location (address, if available)*

2) *Project Location within (circle):* *Land Use 2025 USB* *Growth Center*

Communities must map each project location relative to Land Use 2025's Urban Services Boundaries (USB) and identified Growth Centers. A narrative explanation of impact and consistency with the plan should be submitted for any activity proposed outside of Land Use 2025's Urban Services Boundary (USB) or identified Growth Centers.

3) *Project consists solely of rehabilitation/conversion of existing structures* *Yes / No*

4) *Project is specifically listed in the State approved, local Affordable Housing Plan:* *Yes / No*

If "Yes" please provide page reference. _____

Priority #1 – Foster Senior Housing, Inc. – Hemlock Village Replacement of Roofs The address of this project is 110 Foster Center Road and within the complex is a private road known as Lester Peck Drive. The project is located within the Growth Center for Foster – known as Foster Center. The project consists solely of repairing / replacing the roofs upon the current existing structures that house both the elderly and the handicapped. The project itself is not specifically listed in the local Affordable Housing Plan; however, Hemlock Village is listed as our only Senior/Affordable Housing complex within the community – that can be found on page seven (7) of the Town of Foster Amendment to Housing Element Plan to Provide 10% Low-Moderate Income Housing. (Adopted 12/9/2004 Amended 02/15/2006)

Priority #2 – Foster Department of Human Services – Food Pantry The address of the Foster DHS Food Pantry, is 181 Howard Hill Road, as it is located within the bottom floor of the Foster Town Hall. The project is located within the Growth Center for Foster – known as Foster Center. The project does not involve any construction whatsoever – as they are asking solely for funds to assist in the purchase of food vouchers and some non-perishable food items. This project is not listed in the Affordable Housing Plan as it does not directly deal with affordable housing.

Priority #3 – Rhode Island Center for Law and Public Policy – Legal Clinic At present this legal clinic is held at the Benjamin Eddy Building, at 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI. The project is located within the Growth Center for Foster – known as Foster Center. This project deals with access to legal services and does not involve any construction whatsoever, it does not involve rehabilitation nor conversion of buildings. Again, this provides access to legal services and therefore, it was not mentioned in our Affordable Housing Plan.

Priority #4 – Housing Network – Community Housing Land Trust This project is run by the Housing Network from its offices located at 1070 Main Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860. This project is a statewide project therefore there is no one particular area within the Foster Community that will be served. This project does not involve any construction nor rehabilitation as it is a “planning and technical assistance” project. No, this project is not specifically mentioned in our Affordable Housing Plan.