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**City of Gardner**  
**Community Development Block Grant**  
**Microenterprise Assistance Grant Program**  
**Public Hearing Notice**

As part of the City of Gardner's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY2021, Voices of Truth, Domestic Violence Prevention program, the City, acting through its Department of Community Development and Planning, will conduct a Public Hearing on **Friday, July 22, 2022 at 9:00 am**. The hearing will be held at the City Hall Annex, Room 202, 115 Pleasant Street, Gardner, 01440. The City has awarded Voices of Truth Communities \$10,000 in FY21 Block Grant funds to provide services for Domestic Violence Prevention.

The proposed program revision would revise the program to a Public Social Services program aimed at providing support and education on Healthy Relationships. The goal of the proposed program is to educate and increase awareness of healthy relationships.

The purpose of the hearing is to solicit public input and provide information regarding the proposed program revision. The proposed revision is consistent with the Massachusetts DHCD, CDBG guidelines and local program and community needs and has been recommended by the Gardner CDBG Steering Committee and DHCD. A basic review of the program and National Objective criteria will also be presented.

Any questions or comments regarding the CDBG Program relative to this Program Revision Request may be sent by e-mail to [lbutler@gardner-ma.gov](mailto:lbutler@gardner-ma.gov) or mailed to Lyndsy Butler, Assistant Director, Manca Annex, 115 Pleasant Street, Room 202, Gardner, MA 01440. All comments received by the close of the public hearing will be considered by the City of Gardner.

Translation into other languages or for the hearing impaired is available upon prior request; minimum of three days notice. For more information, please contact Lyndsy Butler, Assistant Director at **978-630-4011 x 1**.

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

### **Community Development Block Grant Steering Committee Meeting**

**Friday, July 22, 2022**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), Manca Annex  
Gardner, Massachusetts**

**1. Proposal of program change –**

Voices of Truth received a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the FY21 Block Grant. The proposed project was for the creation of a position that would assist members of the community affected by domestic violence. Additional funds needed to support the position were not retained. Voice of Truth would like to accept the \$10,000 and continue with their currently funded program. Voices of Truth currently serves members in the community by providing resources and workshops that promote Healthy Relationships.

**2. Adjournment**

Next Meeting: TBD