Barnstable County Regional Government of Cape Cod

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Barnstable County HOME Consortium Advisory Council

The HOME Consortium Advisory Council consists of seventeen members: one representative from each town and two at-large members. Additionally, the Affordable Housing Specialist of the Cape Cod Commission is an ex officio member.

The primary tasks of the Advisory Council include the following:

- 1. Determines the allocation of federal HOME Investments Partnership Program funds received by the County (currently approximately \$500,000 annually) and reviews and approves project applications for funding for the development of affordable rental housing units located in Barnstable County.
 - Additionally, the Barnstable County HOME Consortium was awarded \$1,556,508 under the American Rescue Plan for a new HOME-ARP Program to provide housing and service needs specifically designated for a qualifying population of homeless and at-risk of homelessness. These funds will be administered through September 2030.
- 2. Establishes local HOME and HOME-ARP program policies as allowed by regulations.
- 3. Remains current on local, state, and federal housing issues and advocates for policies that will promote the creation and preservation of affordable housing in the region.
- 4. Acts as a liaison with their respective towns and local housing partnerships/committees and reports relevant regional, state, or federal housing policy information.
- 5. Participates in topical round-table discussions on regional affordable housing issues.
- 6. Participates in the implementation of the Barnstable County Shared Regional Housing Services pilot program

The Advisory Council has a standard monthly meeting schedule held on the third Thursday at 9:00 a.m. held virtually with all members and staff participating remotely, as allowed pursuant to Massachusetts state law.

Visit the Barnstable County Human Services Department for more information on the Programs:

<u>HOME Investments Partnership Program</u>

<u>HOME-ARP Investments Partnership Program</u>

Shared Regional Housing Services Pilot Program

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