

# REGION



Joshua Garcia, Holyoke City Mayor, with Suzanne Parker, Executive Director for Girls Inc. of the Valley, unveil the Girl Day flag to which will be flown at City Hall to celebrate Engineering Week.



Girls Inc. of the Valley participants and staff came together in the City Council Chambers to celebrate E-Week.

Courtesy photos by Hilary Lynn Photography

## Girls Inc. of the Valley hosted Girl Day 2025 at city hall

HOLYOKE – Girls Inc. of the Valley hosted Girl Day 2025, on Thursday, Feb. 20 at Holyoke City Hall as part of

Engineer Week celebrations. This event aimed to inspire and empower girls to explore careers in Science,

Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics through engaging activities, mentorship and educational experiences.

Girl Day aligns with DiscoverE's nationwide initiative to spark interest in engineering and encourage girls to

imagine their futures in these impactful fields. Girls Inc. is proud to connect young participants with inspiring role

models and hands-on learning opportunities designed to build curiosity, confidence, and a passion for STEM.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**Town of Williamsburg Planning Board Legal Notice**  
The Williamsburg Planning Board is herewith giving notice that it will hold a public hearing on **Monday March 24, 2025 at 7:00PM** at the Town Office Building, 141 Main Street, Haydenville, MA. The hearing is to consider proposed changes to Zoning Bylaw Section 9.1 on the topic of Accessory Apartments, also known as Accessory Dwelling Units. The changes are to align Williamsburg's zoning with Chapter 150, Section 7 and 8 of the Massachusetts Acts of 2024. These changes will make Accessory Apartments permissible by right in all zones and owner occupancy will no longer be required. The full text of the proposed changes will be available in the Town Clerk's Office and on the town website www.burgy.org  
Stephen Smith  
Planning Board Chair  
03/06, 03/13/2025

with 2CFR200.318 and MGL c. 149A, the Grantees will conduct a formal procurement process to select a qualified contractor, or contractors, to complete the pre-approved scope of work.  
The following entities and properties have received funding: Blandford Historical Society, 4 North Street, Blandford, \$70,000 for roof replacement; Town of Goshen, 42 Main Street, Goshen, \$89,000 for masonry repair, repairs to the main entry stairs, gutter installation, and kitchen ADA compliance; Town of Monson, 198 Main Street, Monson, \$100,000 for interior plaster repair and painting in the grand hall; Workshop13, 13 Church Street, Ware, \$100,000 for an interior lift to support ADA compliance to the second floor gallery; Porter-Phelps-Huntington Foundation, 113 River Drive, Hadley, \$100,000 for planning and stabilization of the Charles Porter Phelps House ell; Town of Southampton, 8 East Street, Southampton, \$96,000 for exterior masonry repointing and restoration of the historic main entrance steps; and Town of Hardwick, 32 Common Street, Hardwick, \$95,000 for repairs to the roof, exterior masonry, windows and bell tower, and exterior painting. Funding is intended to support the preservation of National Register-listed historic community anchor buildings and serve as a catalyst for commercial and social activity and greater investment to benefit local economies. Any individual,

group, or agency may submit written comments on the proposed activity or request further information by contacting Shannon Walsh, Historic Preservation Planner for the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 413-657-5052, email swalsh@pvpc.org. 03/06/2025

**TOWN OF HUNTINGTON Public Hearing**  
**Wednesday, March 26, 2025 5:00 PM**  
**Town Hall**  
**24 Russell Road, Huntington Proposed FY25 CDBG Application**  
The Town of Huntington, in association with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, will conduct a public hearing regarding the FY25 Community Development Block Grant Program. The hearing will take place at **5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 26th, 2025, in person at the Town Hall, 24 Russell Road, Huntington, MA 01050.** If the meeting is cancelled due to inclement weather, the hearing will take place during the rescheduled Selectboard meeting.  
The public is encouraged to attend this hearing to discuss the town's FY25 application to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities for up to \$850,000 in available Community Development Block Grant Funds. All persons with questions or comments regarding the grant application will have an opportunity to be heard. Those unable to attend can send

written comments to the Huntington Selectboard, 24 Russell Road, PO Box 430, Huntington, MA 01050, Attn: Jennifer Pelouquin.  
The Town is encouraging input on community needs and projects which would benefit from grant funding. Projects currently being considered include the phase II construction of the Stanton Avenue Infrastructure Improvement Project, Blandford Hill Infrastructure Improvement Project, and a Town ADA Self-Assessment. Additional projects may be discussed and may be included in the grant application.  
Persons who require special accommodations for the hearing should contact the town at least one week prior to the hearing date at (413) 512-5200. For further information contact Sarah Maroney at PVPC at (413) 781-6045 or smaroney@pvpc.org. 03/06, 03/13/2025

**LEGAL NOTICE TOWNS OF RUSSELL Public Hearing**  
**Tuesday, March 18, 2025 6:30 PM in the Russell Town Hall, 65 Main Street, Russell, MA Proposed FY 2025 CDBG Application**  
The Russell Select Board will conduct a Public Hearing on **March 18, 2025, at 6:30 PM in Russell Town Hall, 65 Main Street, Russell, MA** regarding a proposed FY2025 application by the Towns of Russell, Chester,

Huntington and Middlefield to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development for up to \$1,250,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds. The Town of Russell is the lead community. The projects under consideration include:  
• Woronoco Village Construction Project (Russell)  
• Housing Rehabilitation (Russell, Chester, Huntington, and Middlefield)  
• Public Social Services (Russell, Chester, Huntington, and Middlefield)  
If awarded, the Town of Russell will be responsible for administration of the grant program, with assistance from the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.  
All persons with questions or comments regarding the grant application will have an opportunity to be heard. Persons who require special accommodations to attend the hearing should contact the Town at (413) 862-3265 several days prior to the hearing. Those unable to attend can send written comments to Joseph Hagopian or Evan Mastroianni at PVPC at 60 Congress Street, Springfield, MA 01104, or jhagopian@pvpc.org and emastroianni@pvpc.org.  
\*In the event of a snowstorm, the Public Hearing will be held on April 1, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Russell Town Hall, 65 Main Street, Russell, MA. 03/06/2025

**LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF HUNTINGTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) of the Town of Huntington will hold 2 public hearings on **March 25, 2025 beginning at 6:00 pm** in Stanton Hall.  
The first Public Hearing is scheduled for 6:00 pm for the Special Permit Application of Greyson Dice Lyon of 11 Circuit Road North, West Yarmouth, MA to operate a tattoo shop for select clients at property he co-owns at 25 Allen Coit Road, Huntington, Parcel# 508-83-0.  
The second Public Hearing is scheduled for 6:15 pm for the Special Permit Application of Jonathan Groff of 38 Russell Road to operate a new trailer sales, repair, parts and possibly rental business at 38 Russell Road (former Smith's Sled Shop), Huntington, Parcel # H3-28-0.  
Both Special Permit Applications will be available to view by appointment in the office of the Selectboard during regular business hours, as well as at the Public Hearings.  
See a separate Planning Board Public Hearing Notice in next week's paper for a Public Hearing the same evening for Zoning Bylaw changes.  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
TOWN OF HUNTINGTON  
03/06, 03/13/2025

**Public Notice of Federal Funding: Historic Preservation Fund Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program**  
WITHIN THE TOWNS OF BLANDFORD, GOSHEN, and MONSON  
(HAMPDEN COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS); HADLEY, SOUTHAMPTON, AND WARE (HAMPSHIRE COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS); AND HARDWICK (WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS)  
December 31, 2024

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals  
This is to give notice that the Pioneer Valley Regional Ventures Center has provided \$650,000 in sub-grants through a competitive selection process for eligible historic preservation projects (Grantees) in the Hampden County Towns of Blandford, Goshen and Monson; the Hampshire County Towns of Hadley, Southampton, and Ware; and the Worcester County town of Hardwick. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission will manage the program. These projects are being supported in part by a grant award by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, through the Historic Preservation Fund Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program. For more information, visit go.nps.gov/grants. All properties are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and work will meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation. All activities undertaken on the properties during the grant period, regardless of funding source, are considered part of the Federal undertaking for Section 106 purposes. The Grantees shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local procurement laws and requirements for the use of sub-grant funds to complete the projects. In accordance

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