

# Town of Sudbury

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## Information and Application for Affordable Housing Lottery

### The Cottages at Depot Crossing 162 South Road, Bedford, MA 01730

#### 1 Detached Three-Bedroom Condo Unit \$197,400

This packet contains specific information for the lottery for one affordable homeownership unit at the Cottages at Depot Crossing development in Bedford, MA, including eligibility requirements, the selection process, and a lottery application.

The key milestones for this housing opportunity:

- Application Period opens July 31, 2017
- Information Session September 7, 2017, 7 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Town Hall, 10 Mudge Way, Bedford
- Application Deadline October 6, 2017, 1 pm
- Lottery October 24, 2017 7pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Town Hall, 10 Mudge Way, Bedford

This application is a first step in the lottery process and does not assure you a home. Applicants must secure approval for a mortgage loan and submit evidence of such approval together with the application.

Please contact the agent below for any questions or to **submit your application**:

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#### Project description

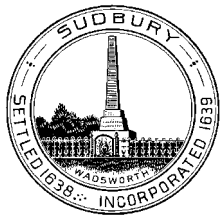
The **Cottages at Depot Crossing** development is a Planned Residential Development located on Cheevers Path at 162 South Road in Bedford, Massachusetts. The site is 3.5 acres, and the project consists of nine cottage-style units (seven detached and two attached) operated as a condominium. The development is served by a private way internal road off South Road. The development also provides for a path connection toward the Minuteman Bikeway.

The monthly Condominium fee is estimated at \$328, which represents an equal share of the total condominium expenses covering landscaping and snow removal, taxes, insurance and contribution to reserve. The homeowner will also pay monthly real estate taxes estimated at \$244 using Bedford's 2017 tax rate of \$14.81. The affordable unit in this lottery will be offered at \$197,400.

In accordance with the program guidelines, the initial purchase prices are established so that a household is not required to spend more than 30% of 70% Boston Area Median Income (AMI) monthly for housing costs.

The units will be available to income eligible first-time homebuyers, with some exceptions permitted under the program, as noted in this application.

The units are built on slabs with radiant heat. The affordable unit (unit 6, 9 Cheevers Path) is a detached unit, and indistinguishable from the market units, with an immediate available occupancy. The 3BR affordable unit is 2,165 square feet in size across two floors. The first floor has a front porch, back patio and single car garage. The first floor plan has a master bedroom with adjoining full bath, and open dining and living rooms from the kitchen, with laundry area and half bath. Upstairs opens to a large open loft area, and has two bedrooms, and full bath.



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## Lottery description:

1. The applications for this housing opportunity will be generally available, including on-line, in hardcopy at the Bedford Town Offices, and Bedford Public Library, sent to anyone interested in the lottery. Notice of the lottery will be advertised, and communicated widely through local, regional and state channels.
2. Applications must be received in hardcopy and will be checked for completion of all required components. An application will be considered complete when all required items on the checklist have been provided. Applicants are encouraged to complete the checklist as an aide to the process. We do not accept email or fax submission of applications.
3. For all units, the applicant's household size will be determined from the application, and required number of bedrooms as indicated on the application. Within each lottery pool, priority shall be given to households requiring at least the number of bedrooms for that unit. Smaller households are encouraged to apply.
4. The applicant's income will be verified and compared to the income limits published by HUD for the Boston Metropolitan Statistical Area. Income includes all income prior to any deductions from all adult household members, and are determined using the method as in the HUD Section 8 program defined at 24 CFR 5.609. An imputed income amount of 0.06% of assets will be added to income for assets over \$5,000. The current income limits will be used, currently the 2017 limits:  
1 person - \$54,750, 2 person - \$62,550, 3 person - \$70,350,  
4 person - \$78,150, 5 person - \$84,450, 6 person - \$90,700
5. Household assets shall not exceed \$75,000 in value. Assets include but are not limited to all cash, cash in savings accounts, checking accounts, certificates of deposit, bonds, stocks, the cash value of retirement accounts, value of real estate holdings and other capital investments. The value of necessary personal property (furniture, vehicles) is excluded from asset values. Equity from the sale of any home will be included with other household assets that cannot exceed the household asset value limits noted above.
6. Eligible applicants must be a First-time Homebuyer. This is further defined as a household that has not owned a home within three years, including in trust, preceding the application, with the exception of displaced homemaker, single parents and senior households (at least one household member is 55 or over). Any previously or currently owned home must be sold prior to purchase of the affordable unit.

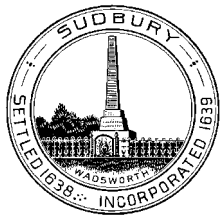
A displaced homemaker is an individual who is an adult, who has owned a home only with a spouse, who is legally separated from a spouse, and who does not currently own the home previously owned with a spouse.

Single parents are individuals who owned a home with his or her partner or resided in a home owned by the partner and is a single parent (is unmarried or legally separated from a spouse and either has 1 or more children of whom the individual has custody or joint custody, or is pregnant);

Additional exceptions are made for households that owned a principal residence not permanently affixed to a permanent foundation, and households that owned a property that was not in compliance with State, local or model building codes.

Eligible applicants cannot own residential property, whether for primary, secondary or investment purposes.

7. Persons must submit all the necessary information by the application deadline. Late applications (applications mailed and/or received after the above date) and applications that are incomplete will not be accepted. No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted.
8. All applicants will be screened for eligibility. Applicants who have been deemed ineligible will be notified in writing of the decision and given time to contact the lottery agent in writing to disagree with the determination.



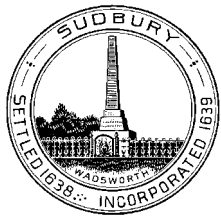
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9. Once the Lottery Agent has verified the information contained in the application and confirmed eligibility, a lottery number or numbers and lottery form will be issued, and the applicant will move forward to the lottery.
10. A final lottery eligibility letter will be mailed to each applicant indicating their final eligibility determination, preferences and the lottery specifics (date/time).
11. The lottery numbers will be pulled randomly by an independent third party in a public setting. Lottery numbers will be assigned a number in the sequence in which they are drawn and recorded in the order of selection on the Lottery Drawing Lists. The list of numbers drawn will be posted and letters will be mailed within three business days to the winners.
12. Once the tickets have been randomly drawn and listed in the drawn order, the unit is then ranked based on bedroom size. The top ranked household needing at least three bedrooms will be offered the opportunity to purchase the unit. The household size preference shall be given to households based on the following criteria.
  - There is at least one occupant and no more than two occupants per bedroom.
  - A husband and wife, or those in a similar living arrangement, shall be required to share a bedroom.
  - Other household members may share but shall not be required to share a bedroom.
13. The lottery agent shall maintain all Lottery Drawing Lists. In the event that any of the applicants withdraw for any reason, or do not comply with guidelines, the next qualified applicant in the lottery pool ranked by bedroom size need, will be offered the unit.
14. Top ranked applicants are offered the next available unit. If any applicant is offered a unit and opts not to proceed, they will be moved to the bottom of the list, unless there are extenuating circumstances related to hardship.
15. The winners will sign a reservation form and provide a \$1,000 deposit in the form of a certified or bank check within a mutually agreed upon timeframe. This is applied to the overall purchase amount.
16. Final qualification against all requirements will be verified before the execution of Purchase and Sale, and eligible applicants must be approved by DHCD before signing a P&S and again before closing (if closing is longer than 60 days from the Purchase and Sale) as determined by the Lottery Agent.
17. There are specific closing and financing requirements for loans on these units, which include the following. We strongly encourage households to apply through banks who are aware of the resale restrictions and guidelines for affordable housing programs. These banks will likely have access to additional first-time homebuyer programs that may be of great assistance and increase your buying power such as the Massachusetts Housing Partnership's ONE Mortgage Program or MassHousing no-MI product.
  - The loan must have a fixed interest rate through the full term of the mortgage.
  - The loan must have a current fair market interest rate.
  - The interest rate must be locked in – not floating.
  - The buyer must provide a down payment of at least 3%, 1.5% of which must come from the buyer's own funds.
  - The loan can have no more than 2 points.
  - The buyer may not pay more than 38% of their monthly income for monthly housing costs.
  - Loans from non-institutional lenders will not be accepted.
  - FHA will no longer accept the deed rider that survives foreclosure.
18. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, disability, marital status, familial status, veteran status, sexual orientation, and/or national origin, or any other basis prohibited by law and is specifically prohibited in the sale of these units. An applicant who believes that they have been discriminated against in the buyer selection and sales process may contact: the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination; and/or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.



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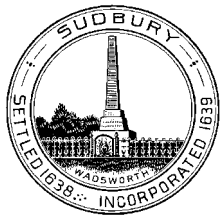
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19. Disabled persons are entitled to request reasonable accommodation of rules, policies, or services, or reasonable modification of housing.
20. Resale process: The Monitoring Agent has up to 90 days after you give notice of your intention to sell the home to close on a sale to an Eligible Purchaser, or to close on a sale to a Monitoring Agent, or to a buyer that one of them may designate. This time period can be extended, as provided in the Deed Rider, to arrange for details of closing, to locate a subsequent purchaser if the first selected purchaser is unable to obtain financing, or for lack of cooperation on your part. If you attempt to sell or transfer the home without complying with the Deed Rider requirements, the Monitoring Agents may, among their other rights, void any contract for such sale or the sale itself.



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## AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPLICATION

Must Be Completed and Returned to Sudbury Housing Trust Office by **October 6, 2017, 1 pm**

Applicant Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

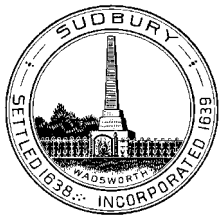
I learned of this lottery from (check all that applies):

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Letter: \_\_\_\_\_

Advertisement: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### THIS APPLICATION IS NOT COMPLETE IF NOT SUBMITTED WITH:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed application signed by all individuals over the age of 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of 2014, 2015 and 2016 Federal tax returns, as filed, with W-2's and schedules for 2016 tax return, for every current or future person living in the household over the age of 18. State returns are not required. Include 2016 W2 and last paycheck of 2016.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of five most recent consecutive pay stubs. Additional information may be required for hourly paid workers.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Current statements and documents that indicate the payment amounts from all other sources of income of all members listed on the application, such as alimony, child support, Social Security benefits, pensions, unemployment compensation, workman's compensation, disability and any other form of income.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Current statements (3 months) of all assets (including every page), on financial institution letterhead, showing current value including all bank accounts, investment accounts, cash life insurance policies, retirement accounts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mortgage pre-approval and proof of adequate assets to cover down payment and closing costs. These units are not eligible for FHA or family loans, and applicants cannot spend more than 38% of their monthly income for monthly housing costs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation regarding current interest in real estate, if applicable.
- \_\_\_\_\_ No Income Statement, signed and notarized, for any household member over 18 with no source of income, if applicable, containing the language "Under penalties of Perjury."
- \_\_\_\_\_ No Child Support Statement, signed and notarized, if applicable, containing the language "Under penalties of Perjury."
- \_\_\_\_\_ Minority Self-Declaration Statement, signed and dated, if applicable, containing the language "Under penalties of Perjury."



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Household Information – List all members of your household including yourself.

Number of Bedrooms Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of all Persons to Reside in Dwelling (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)		Relation to Head	Married? (Y/N)	Full Time Student? (Y/N)	Age	Date of Birth	Minority Category * (Optional)
HEAD							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							

\*Minority preference categories include only Native American or Alaskan Native, Black or African American, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; or other (non-White); and the ethnic classification Hispanic or Latino. Requires a separate self-declaration document.

Property - Do you own or have an interest in any real estate, land and/or mobile home? Yes ( ) No ( )

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Value: \_\_\_\_\_

[Provide current assessment information, and current mortgage statement]

Have you disposed of any property for less than its value in the past two years? Yes ( ) No ( ) If yes, attach a description

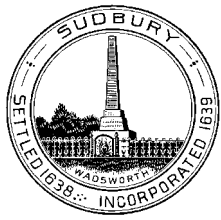
Have you sold real estate or other property in the past three years? Yes ( ) No ( ) If yes, attach settlement statement

When: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sales Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Price plan: **Purchase price is \$197,400**

- Amount and source of Down Payment: \_\_\_\_\_
- Amount and source of Gift: \_\_\_\_\_
- Amount of Mortgage: \_\_\_\_\_
- Available funds for Closing Costs: \_\_\_\_\_



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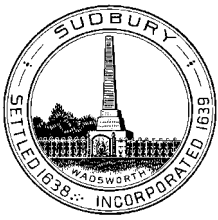
Income - List all income of all members over the age of 18 listed on application to reside in the unit, such as wages, child support, Social Security benefits, all types of pensions, employment, Unemployment Compensation, Workman's Compensation, alimony, disability or death benefits and any other form of income; including rental income from property. Adults with no income are required to submit a notarized statement. If additional space is needed, please attach another sheet.

#	Source of Income	Address/Phone# of Source	Amount per Year
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

Assets - List all checking, savings accounts, CD's, stocks, bonds, retirement accounts, savings bonds and any other investments below. If additional space is needed, please attach another sheet. Household assets do not include necessary personal property.

#	Type of Asset	Account No	Value, Balance
1	Checking account		
2	Savings account		
3	Retirement account		
4	Other: _____		
5	Other: _____		
6	Other: _____		
7	Other: _____		
<b>TOTAL</b>			





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## APPLICANT(S) CERTIFICATION

I/We certify that our household size is \_\_\_\_\_ persons, as documented herein.

I/We certify that our total household income equals \$\_\_\_\_\_, as documented herein.

I/We certify that our household has assets totaling \$\_\_\_\_\_, as documented herein.

I/We certify that the information in this application and in support of this application is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief under full penalty of perjury. I/We understand that false or incomplete information may result in disqualification from further consideration.

I/We certify that I am/we, or our family, are not related to the Developer of The Cottages at Depot Crossing property, the Lottery Agent, the Monitoring Agent or any party of this project.

I/We understand that it is my/our obligation to secure the necessary mortgage for the purchase of the home and all expenses, including closing costs and down payments, are my/our responsibility.

I/We understand that if I/we do not obtain a mortgage commitment and sign a purchase and sale agreement within forty-five days after the lottery the unit will be offered to the next eligible applicant on the waiting list.

I/We understand that this property will have a deed restriction which specifies the resale, refinance and other provisions of the property as outlined below. The restriction ensures that the unit remains affordable for future purchasers of the property.

- The property must be the owner's principal residence.
- The property can't be refinanced without prior approval of the Monitoring Agent (DHCD). Affordable units may not be refinanced for more than 97% of their Maximum Resale Price.
- There is a limit on the resale price of the unit so that the unit will always be affordable. The formula for calculating the maximum resale price will be established at the time of purchase and will be based on the Area Median Income at the time of resale. If an owner wants to sell their affordable unit, they are required to notify the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the Town.
- No capital improvements can be made without the Monitoring Agent's pre-approval.

I/We have been advised that a copy of the Local Initiative Program Affordable Housing Deed Rider is available with the Lottery Agent and on the DHCD website: <http://www.mass.gov/hed/docs/dhcd/hd/lip/lipdeedrider.pdf>

I/We understand that if I/we are selected to purchase a home, I/we must continue to meet all eligibility requirements of the Monitoring Agent and any participating lender(s) until the completion of such purchase. I/We understand that I/we must be qualified and eligible under any and all applicable laws, regulations, guidelines, and any other rules and requirements.

Your signature(s) below gives consent to the Lottery Agent or its designee to verify information provided in this application. The applicant agrees to provide additional information on request to verify the accuracy of all statements in this application.

I/We consent to the disclosure of such information for the purpose of income, asset and any other verification related to my/our application.

No application will be considered complete unless signed and dated by the Applicant/Co-Applicant.

Applicant Signature

Date

Co-Applicant Signature

Date

THIS IS APPLICATION IS ONLY FOR THIS SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT.