

-EXAMPLE APPLICATION-

FY 2025 Municipal Community Mitigation Fund Grant Application

Brief Application Instructions-

- All applications <u>must</u> be received by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission by January 31st, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. to be considered for funding for the FY 2025 grant round.
- II. Each Municipality may only submit <u>ONE</u> application.
- III. Each project must have its own form within the appropriate category. Forms can be found below as Parts A-E. If you have more than one project in a category, please copy the form and provide a form and attachments for each project. All attachments should directly follow the relevant project form.
- IV. Be sure to fill in **all** the information requested on the application. Applications that are left incomplete will not be accepted.
- V. The application must be signed by the municipal administrator or an individual with signatory authority.
- VI. Submit this completed form as well as any relevant attachments to <u>MGCCMF@Massgaming.gov</u> or as a response to the COMMBUYS BID BD24-1068-1068C-1068L-95061

For more detailed instructions as well as the full FY 2025 Application Guidelines visit <u>https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/</u>

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Grant Budget Summary

Your community's FY 2025 proposed allocation can be found at

<u>https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/</u>. Use the space below to total all requests by category. Please clarify how many discreet projects your community plans to undertake per category.

Total FY 2025 Allocation: \$400,000			
Application Totals by Category	# of Projects	Requested Amount	
A. Community Planning	1	\$100,000	
B. Public Safety	2	\$95,000	
C. Transportation	2	\$1,157,300	
D. Gambling Harm Reduction	1	\$25,000	
E. Specific Impact	1	\$100,000	
TOTAL		\$1,477,300	

I. Are you requesting a waiver for any program requirement? Yes___ No__

II. If yes, you must fill out a CMF Municipal Waiver Form. The waiver form can be found as Appendix E to the RFR on COMMBUYS or online at <u>https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/forms/</u>. Applications without a completed waiver form will not be considered for a waiver.

Budget Category Summary

Use the below space to provide an overview of all projects to be covered by this funding. You may add as many items as is pertinent to your application (you can add rows by right clicking on the row and selecting "add row"). Please provide a category, name, brief description, and amount for each item.

Category	Project Name	Description	Amount
A. Community	Wayfinding	Planning to advance wayfinding in multiple	\$200,000
Planning		languages in line with Sudburham's tourism	
		plan to help launch Sudburham as an	
		attractive option for those visiting the GHT	
		Casino.	
B. Public Safety	Fire Blanket	EV vehicle blankets to address the new EV	\$50,000
		parking spots in the casino's garage.	
B. Public Safety	Police	Police overtime for increased patrols.	\$45,000
	Equipment		
C. Transportation	Complete	A complete streets study of Main St from	\$82,300
	Streets Study	Linden St. to Maple St.	
C. Transportation	Multi-Use	Conversion of an abandoned railroad bed into	\$1,075,000
	Path	a multi-use path.	
	Construction		
D. Gambling Harm	Youth	Study of impacts on community members	\$25,000
Reduction	Gaming	ages 16 to 24.	
	Study		
E. Specific Impact	Tree Planting	Costs associated with planting 700 trees	\$100,000
		across the bus route	

Applicant Certification

On behalf of the aforementioned applicant, I hereby certify that the funds that are requested in this application will be used solely for the purposes articulated in this application.

<u> 1/30/24</u> Date

Signature

Lola Singer, Mayor of Sudburham

Name and Title of Certifier

Part A Community Planning

Project Name: Wayfinding

Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the grant.

Additional Project Contact (if applicable)
Name:
Title:
Department:
Email Address:
Telephone:
Address:

I. Please use the space below to identify the impact of the gaming establishment on your municipality. You may use the impacts identified in the FY 2025 Guidelines relevant to this category (Page 8-9). If you are using an impact not identified in the guidelines, please use the space below to identify the impact. Please provide documentation or evidence that gives support for the determination that the operation of the gaming facility caused or is causing the impact (i.e., surveys, data, reports, etc.)

As identified in the guidelines, the marketing capabilities of the gaming establishments may put other competing local businesses at a disadvantage.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above. Please include a breakdown of the proposed scope of work, the scope should be sufficiently detailed to allow the review team to understand the steps required for project completion.

The town of Sudburham has felt lost opportunity costs due to the presence of a casino on their community. The town feels that if appropriate signage was available casino patrons could choose to patronize their restaurants, hotels, and shops. We are proposing a study of the current signage done by a consultant in collaboration with the Department of Public Works. This will identify opportunities for increased signage to make casino patrons more aware of local amenities. The Town will use the rest of the money to go out to bid for sign fabrication and design.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.

Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Audit maps with current wayfinding	Fall 2024		\$20,000
Data collection on lists of destinations	Fall 2024		\$5,000

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Design work for signage	Winter 2025	\$75,000
Fabrication of signs	Spring 2025	\$100,000
	TOTAL:	\$200,000

ATTACHMENT A-1 - Support Letter

Dear Joe Delaney,

I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse the application for the Community Mitigation Fund Grant to cover the costs associated with wayfinding signage in our beloved town of Sudburham.

Sudburham is a town known for its rich history, vibrant culture, and a strong sense of community. However, like any growing community, we face the challenge of effectively navigating the town's numerous amenities, attractions, and services. I recognize the importance of ensuring that residents and visitors alike can easily find their way around our town. This initiative for wayfinding signage will significantly enhance the overall experience in Sudburham and further solidify our status as a welcoming and accessible community.

MGC has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to community improvement, and I believe this project aligns perfectly with the values and vision we hold for Sudburham. Their thorough research, meticulous planning, and dedication to transparency are evident in the proposal they have put forth. This project promises not only to make Sudburham more accessible but also to support local businesses, foster tourism, and ultimately improve the quality of life for our residents.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any additional information or if you would like to discuss this recommendation further. I wholeheartedly support the town's application and believe that this project will be a significant asset to Sudburham.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayor of Sudburham

ATTACHMENT A-2- Design Mockup



Part B- Public Safety

For full guidelines please see <u>www.massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/application-guidelines/</u>

Project Name: Fire Blanket			
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the			
grant			
Project Contact (if applicable)			
Name: Jennifer Keith	Name: Barbara Jones		
Title: Fire Chief	Title: Deputy Chief		
Department: Fire	Department: Fire		
Email Address: J.Keith@ Sudburham.MA.gov	Email Address: B.Jones @ Sudburham.MA.gov		
Telephone: : 902-867-5309	Telephone: 902-867-5309		
Address: 52 Main St Suite A Sudburham MA	Address: 52 Main St Suite A Sudburham MA		
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While not identified in the guidelines the fire department is requesting the Commission fund the purchase of fire blankets for EV vehicles as the only EV charging stations in town are at the casino.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

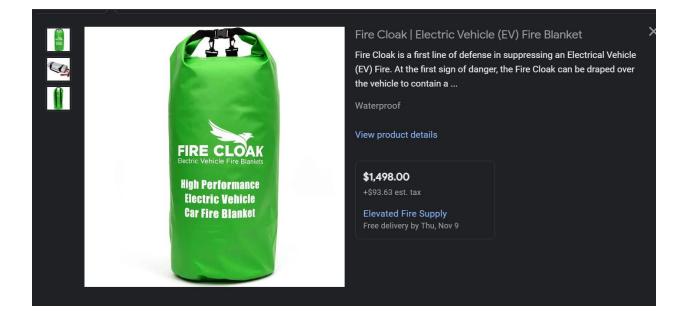
The best practice for fighting EV fires is to use specialized blankets that smother the fire. The fire department has seen an increase in EV cars at the casino and believes that the purchase of these blankets will provide increased safety to casino patrons and employees.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.

Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Fire Blankets	Fall 2024	40	\$50,000
	TOTAL:		\$50,000

ATTACHMENT B-1- Quote for Fire Blankets



Project Name: Police Overtime					
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the					
grant					
Project Contact (if applicable)					
Name: Harry Field	Name:				
Title: Lieutenant	itle: Lieutenant Title:				
Department: Police	Department:				
Email Address: H.Field@ Sudburham.MA.gov	Email Address:				
Telephone: 902-867-5309	Telephone:				
Address: 52 Main St Suite A Sudburham MA	Address:				
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As identified in the guidelines, it is recognized by law enforcement and the casino industry that certain types of crime may be attracted to casinos and other hospitality related businesses. These may include human trafficking, money laundering, and drug trafficking.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

The presence of the casino has a correlation with increased crime rates (ATTACHMENT B-2). Increased patrols will allow the department to place a vehicle right outside the casino between the hours of 1am and 3am. No other business is open at this time so having a patrol next to the property the department feels will help address and deter crime.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.

Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Overtime for two officers	Fall 2024-Spring		\$45,000
	2025		
	TOTAL:		\$45,000

ATTACHMENT B-2- Sudburham Relevant Crime Statistics



Gig Harbor – Crimes Against Property

Group A Offenses	Reported 2021	Reported 2022	% of Change	Crime Rate per 1,000	Total Arrests	DV Offense Totals
Robbery	9	12	33.3%	1.0	8	0
Burglary	55	90	63.6%	7.2	5	0
Larceny-Theft Offenses	436	564	29.4%	45.0	106	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	46	118	156.5%	9.4	6	1
Arson	0	1		0.1	0	0
Destruction of Property	82	102	24.4%	8.1	2	4
Counterfeiting/Forgery	11	4	-63.6%	0.3	0	0
Fraud Offenses	64	61	-4.7%	4.9	0	0
Embezzlement	0	1		0.1	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	0	2		0.2	0	0
Bribery	0	0		.00	0	0
Stolen Property Offenses	30	56	86.7%	4.5	27	0
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ATTACHMENT B-3-Community Support Letter

Dear Mr. Delaney,

I am writing to express my strong support for the public safety grant application submitted by Sudburham. As a concerned resident and a dedicated advocate for the well-being of our community, I firmly believe that the rising crime rates attributed to the presence of the casino necessitate immediate and effective action.

Sudburham has long been known for its tight-knit community and safety, and the recent increase in crime has raised significant concerns among its residents. The casino's presence has undoubtedly brought economic benefits, but it has also introduced new challenges to our community, especially in terms of public safety. The Citizens Group of Sudburham has shown exceptional dedication in addressing these challenges head-on.

We firmly believe that supporting the grant application is a crucial step towards addressing the public safety challenges we currently face. By providing the necessary resources and funding, we can empower this group to make a significant difference in our community.

Sudburham is more than just a collection of individuals; it is a united and caring community. By supporting this grant application, we affirm our commitment to preserving the safety and security of our town, ensuring that it remains a place where all residents can thrive and feel safe.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any additional information or if you would like to discuss this support letter further. I wholeheartedly endorse the Sudburham application and believe that their efforts will lead to a safer and more secure community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Citizens Group of Sudburham

Part C – Transportation

Project Name: Complete Streets Study				
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the				
grant				
Project Contact (if applicable)				
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itle: Senior Project Manager Title:				
Department: Transportation Department:				
Email Address: J.Frome Sudburham.MA.gov	Email Address:			
Telephone: 902-867-5309	Telephone:			
ddress: 52 Main St Suite A Sudburham MA Address:				
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As identified in the guidelines:

- Increased traffic associated with the gaming establishment may cause increased congestion on the major routes leading to/from the gaming establishment.
- Increased traffic associated with the gaming establishment may result in increased vehicular accidents on major routes leading to/from the gaming establishment.
- Increased traffic associated with the gaming establishment may result in increased vehicular/bicycle/pedestrian conflicts.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

The infrastructure on Main Street does not currently support a safe and healthy commute. Safety for cyclists commuting to and from the casino faces many challenges such as gaps in infrastructure network and lack of safety. Vehicles are experiencing high crash rates on Main Street corridor, a likely origin point for residents that may be commuting to the casino for work or to participate in the casino gambling. Pedestrians wishing to utilize transit are experiencing higher than typical dangers to travel to the Casino Transit Station. Closing these 1st and last mile gaps of connection to transit remain an obstacle to many who utilize transit. Providing improved infrastructure will mitigate these dangers for travel to the transit facility. This project's goal is focused on safety and equity will enable Sudburham's Main Street users greater opportunity. Improvement to Main Street would provide opportunity for Sudburham's residents visiting the casino, residents currently employed, or those wishing to gain employment in the future. Providing a complete streets-focused transportation streetscape would enable the residents of Sudburham to close the last mile of connection to transit, enhance safety to major routes in and out of the City, promote equitable opportunities, and increase safety for all users.

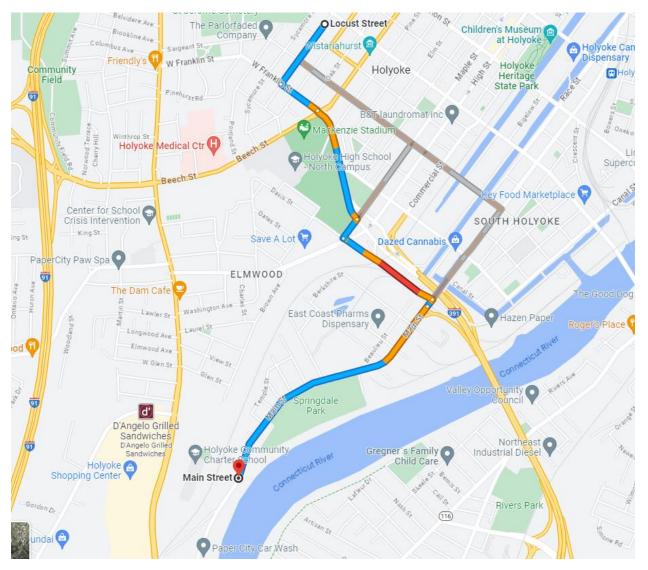
Proposed MGC Grant Budget

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Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Task No.1 – Project Due Diligence	Fall 2024		\$1,700
Task No.2 – Field Observations	Fall 2024		\$2,100
Task No. 3 – Roadway Cross Section	Fall 2024		\$2,100
Evaluation			
Task No. 4 – Meetings and Coordination	Winter 2024		\$5,200
Task No. 5 – Project Development Sketch	Winter 2024		\$4,500
Task No. 6 – MassDOT Project Review	Spring 2025		\$3,800
Committee (PRC) Coordination			
Task No. 7 – Professional Site Survey	Spring 2025		\$60,000
	TOTAL:		\$82,300



ATTACHMENT C-1- Complete Streets Mockup



ATTACHMENT C-2 -Locus Map

Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the grant

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Additional Project Contact (if applicable)			
Name:			
Title:			
Department:			
Email Address:			
Telephone:			
Address:			

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As identified in the guidelines:

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- Increased traffic associated with the gaming establishment may result in increased vehicular/bicycle/pedestrian conflicts.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

In an effort to reduce the volume of traffic on the local streets, provide a protected route for cyclists and pedestrians and improve access to the casino, the Town of Sudburham conducted a planning study for the conversion of an abandoned rail bed into a new shared use path that will connect to the Multi-Community Shared Path that leads to the casino. The study demonstrated that the construction of the shared use path will connect several population centers to the Multi-Community Shared Path which should divert a significant number of trips from single occupancy vehicles to bicycles thereby reducing local traffic congestion. A significant number of casino employees live within the area to be served by the path, which should encourage alternative means of transportation to the casino.

The Town has performed a preliminary design for the project and the estimated construction cost is \$3,000,000. Based on the CMF Guidelines the amount of the grant would be \$1,075,000 (100% of the first \$250,000 and 30% of the amount over \$250,000). This project will cause the Town to exceed the Grant Allocation of \$400,000. Please see the attached Waiver Request for this project.

The Town will complete the project design through the fall of 2024 with the project to be bid before the start of the 2025 construction season. The Town expects to start construction by April 15, 2025.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

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Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Task No.1 – Final Design	Fall 2024		Town Funded
Task No.2 – Project Bidding	Winter 2025		Town Funded
Task No. 3 – Project Mobilization	April 2025		
Task No. 4 – Project Construction	April-Nov 2025		\$1,075,000
Task No. 5 – Project Completion	Nov 2025		
	TOTAL:		\$1,075,000

Part D- Harm Reduction

Project Name: Young Adult Study			
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the			
grant			
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As per the guidelines: A community may also use these funds for conducting detailed research on the topic identified. Applicants that have a specific research topic and/or question and are prepared to propose a research strategy. The town would like to study the impact of the casino on young adult.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

Please see **ATTACHMENT A** for a detailed overview of our proposed study. The town hopes this study will result in actionable outcomes to be addressed in future years.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.			
Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Hire a consultant for the below scope			\$100,000
	TOTAL:		\$100,000

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ATTACHMENT D-1- Research Proposal and Scope

The proliferation of casinos in various communities across the country has raised concerns about potential social, economic, and psychological effects, particularly among young adults. It is imperative to gain a comprehensive understanding of these impacts to inform future policy decisions, public health initiatives, and community support programs.

I. Introduction:

Casino gaming has rapidly expanded in Sudburham, attracting patrons from all age groups, including a significant number of young adults aged 18 to 24. This age group is particularly vulnerable to the allure of casino gaming, as they are at a stage in life when they are exploring various forms of entertainment and engaging in activities that can influence their long-term well-being. This research proposal aims to address the following objectives:

II. Objectives:

- To assess the frequency and extent of engagement in casino gaming among individuals aged 18 to 24 in Sudburham.
- To examine the socio-economic impact of casino gaming on young adults, including expenditures, debts, and financial well-being.
- To evaluate the psychological effects, such as addiction and mental health issues, associated with casino gaming among this demographic.
- To investigate the potential social consequences, such as changes in relationships, social isolation, and academic or career impacts.
- To identify factors that influence young adults' decisions to engage in casino gaming, including advertising and peer influences.
- To provide evidence-based recommendations for responsible gambling programs, educational initiatives, and policy changes.

III. Methodology:

Survey and Questionnaires: A comprehensive survey will be administered to individuals aged 18 to 24 in Sudburham to collect data on their casino gaming behavior, socio-economic status, and psychological well-being.

Interviews: A subset of survey participants will be selected for in-depth interviews to gain a deeper understanding of their motivations, experiences, and challenges related to casino gaming.

Data Analysis: Statistical analysis of survey responses and thematic analysis of interview data will be used to draw conclusions and make evidence-based recommendations.

IV. Ethical Considerations:

The research will be conducted with the highest ethical standards in mind. Informed consent will be obtained from all participants, and their privacy and anonymity will be strictly maintained.

V. Expected Outcomes:

This research will provide invaluable insights into the impacts of casino gaming on young adults in Sudburham. The findings will inform policy decisions, public health campaigns, and community support initiatives designed to mitigate potential negative consequences and promote responsible gaming practices.

VI. Conclusion:

Understanding the effects of casino gaming on individuals aged 18 to 24 in Sudburham is essential for the well-being of our community. By conducting this research, we can make informed decisions to protect and support our young adults. We kindly request your support and funding to carry out this important study.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any additional information or if you would like to discuss this research proposal further. Your support in addressing this critical issue is greatly appreciated.

Part E- Specific Impact

Project Name: Heat Island Mitigation			
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the			
grant.			
Project Contact	Additional Project Contact (if applicable)		
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Title: Senior Project Manager	Title:		
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Telephone: 902-867-5309	Telephone:		
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I. Please use the space below to identify the impact of the gaming establishment on your municipality. This category is for projects that do not fit in any other category but may use any impacts identified in the FY 2025 Guidelines that are relevant. If you are using an impact not identified in the guidelines, please use the space below to identify the impact. Please provide documentation or evidence that gives support for the determination that the operation of the gaming facility caused or is causing the impact (i.e., surveys, data, reports, etc.)

In the guidelines under transportation, the city would like to use funds to offset increased carbon emissions due to the presence of a casino in town.

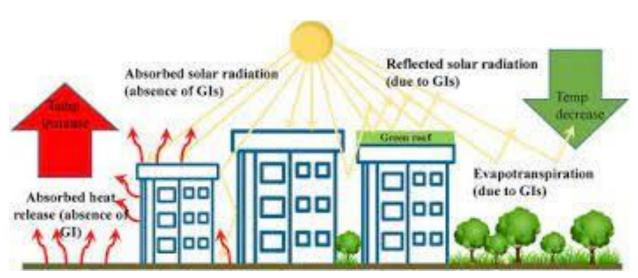
II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above.

As outlined in ATTACHMENT E-1 the heat island effect can be lessened by breaking up the concrete with the planting of trees.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

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Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
	TOTAL:		\$200,000



ATTACHMENT E-1- Heat Island Effect Mitigation Model

ATTACHMENT E-2- Street Tree Quotes



Liquidambar styraciflua 'Slender Silhouette' | Conife... × Large, light-green leaves densely cover the upright branches of this narrow broadleaf tree. This tree will remain narrow as it gets taller with age. An excellent vertical ...

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