



City of Cambridge

Executive Department

YI-AN HUANG
City Manager

CMA 2025 #136
IN CITY COUNCIL
June 2, 2025

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am hereby requesting an appropriation, in the amount of \$5,000,000, from Free Cash to the Federal Grant Stabilization Fund.

Funds appropriated to and held by the Federal Grant Stabilization Fund will be expended to help address the funding gaps resulting from the actual or anticipated loss of federal funding for programs and services that benefit the most vulnerable Cambridge residents.

This appropriation, while significant, does not represent the total amount of anticipated lost revenue from federal sources. The amount is based on what can potentially be absorbed, if needed, into future operating budgets, given financial constraints that have been outlined as part of, and leading up to, the FY26 Budget process.

This allocation is an important initial step of a developing strategy to help begin to address the growing uncertainty and potential financial impacts of unpredictable decisions and hostile policies at the federal level. Future discussions may also be necessary regarding community priorities, budget allocations, and new investments, as they relate to this new and uncertain federal landscape.

The City Council will need to approve any recommendations for the use of funds in the Federal Grant Stabilization Fund.

As of June 2, 2025, the City's Free Cash balance is \$169,437,471.

Very truly yours,

Yi-An Huang
City Manager

