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Affordable housing projects in Dorchester and Mattapan will receive more than \$15 million in funding from the city of Boston. The city's Department of Neighborhood Development and the Neighborhood Housing Trust Fund will help subsidize seven new rental housing initiatives across the city, according to Mayor Martin Walsh's office. Across these projects, 436 units of housing will be produced, 354 of which will be income restricted to low-, moderate- and middle-income households.

Funds for these projects include \$10.4 million of HOME, Community Development Block Grant, and Inclusionary Development funding, \$4.25 million in linkage funding, and \$1.2 million in a housing creation award.

The city did not specify the amount awarded to each individual project.

In Dorchester, Viet AID's plan for a new residential building at 191 -195 Bowdoin St. will receive city funding. The project will bring 41 affordable rental units and about 7,000 square feet of commercial space to Bowdoin Street.

A team of developers that is gearing up to build 135 units of mixed income rental housing in Mattapan Square, with 69 affordable rental units and 66 market rate units, will also receive city funds. The project— submitted by Preservation of Affordable Housing and Nuestra Comunidad CDC— will also include 10,000 square feet of commercial space on what is now a state-owned parking lot along River Street.

At 872 Morton Street, in Mattapan, the Caribbean Integration Community Development and Planning Office for Urban Affairs will create a 38-unit, mixed-income development, along with over 2,000 square feet of commercial space. The team is working with the Parks Department to design a serenity garden to be named after Stephen P. Odom.

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