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Hi Tim-

I'm preparing the current CDBG grant for Edgartown with Chilmark, Aquinnah and West Tisbury. There's been a fairly dramatic shift in the Community Needs Scores assigned to each town in the Commonwealth that will impact Chilmark's participation in the future. I've attached the Needs Score analysis as provided by DHCD.

Chilmark's score has dropped which puts the town into a situation where you will only be eligible for CDBG grants every three years. So, the town can participate in the FY15 grant but then can not participate again until the FY18 grant. This is very disappointing and will impact families using the childcare subsidies who rely on the funding. Currently we assist 10 Chilmark children.

My hope is that Chilmark's Needs Score will bounce back up next year and we'll be able to include you in the grant...or that the new Governor will initiate policy change that will make Chilmark eligible once again. So, I don't want anyone to panic as this could change...but it's worth noting.

I'll keep you posted and will be in touch in the weeks to come with the usual signature pages for the current grant.

If you'd like to discuss this please don't hesitate to call...although it's well beyond my control!

Best,

Alice

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