

September 4, 2026

For Immediate Release

Brookline, MA—

On Thursday, September 3rd, 2026 at an event in Worcester, Governor Maura Healey announced bstone@brooklinehousing.org. The financing will create more than 2,500 new housing units in 20 communities. Brookline Housing Authority's (BHA) 10 Walnut Street was one of 29 projects awarded funding.

10 Walnut Street is the first phase of the redevelopment of BHA's Walnut High Apartments. The project will demolish 32 obsolete federal public housing apartments that were constructed in 1961 and replace them with 96 units of family-oriented affordable housing. The new state of the art building will be constructed with highly energy-efficient passive house standards and will feature ample community space for residents. All apartments will be deeply affordable and supported by feThe project will be funded through tax-exempt bond financing, 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits Equity, subsidies provided by the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, and \$7.5 million in Town of Brookline Affordable Housing Trust and CPA funds.

The Chair of BHA's Board of Directors, Sue Cohen, says of the award announcement, "BHA is thrilled to be chosen for this award. This support from the state reflects the hard work of BHA staff, the generosity and forward thinking of the Town in providing substantial funding and zoning for new housing, the exciting design, and the new, modern, energy efficient homes for current and future BHA residents."

Demolition for the old buildings and construction for 10 Walnut Street is expected to begin in 2027. BHA will share a more detailed timeline with its residents neighbors when available. The EOHLC press release is available [here](#).