

Covid-19 Housing Relief Funds



The Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is the state agency that contracts with the federal government for additional funds associated with the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security Act ('CARES Act') for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Housing Choice Voucher (HCV), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG). These funds are passed through to DCA from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).



CDBG

HCV

HOPWA

ESG

Purpose of Funding:

Activities that will prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic in areas of housing, community development, and economic development.

Housing-Rental Assistance

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Amount of Funding-CARES:

Tranche 1-
\$24,960,281
Tranche 2-
\$35,499,505
Tranche 3-
\$22,390,821

Tranche 1-
\$2,106,488
Tranche 2-
\$2,451,552

\$562,987

\$45,418,452

Normal Appropriation:

\$42,283,580

\$10,296,252

\$3,868,568

\$4,616,851

Who is served?

Eligible populations; primarily low-to moderate-income persons

Approximately 13,000 HCV holders across 49 counties

Approximately 100-150 low-income persons living with HIV or AIDs

Approximately 10k-20k homeless persons or at-risk of homelessness

Rules and Regulations/
Deadline to spend:

Awaiting Federal Register Notice

Public and Indian Housing Notice (PIH 2020-08)- HUD Guidance/ Dec. 31, 2020

Interim guidance has been given, but DCA is still awaiting final regulations from HUD/ May 28, 20203

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Approved agreement?

Not as of September 11, 2020

No separate contract is needed. Additional funds get transferred into DCA's existing account.

Received agreement for HOPWA-\$562,987

Received agreement for \$15,920,176; awaiting second agreement for \$29,498,276

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