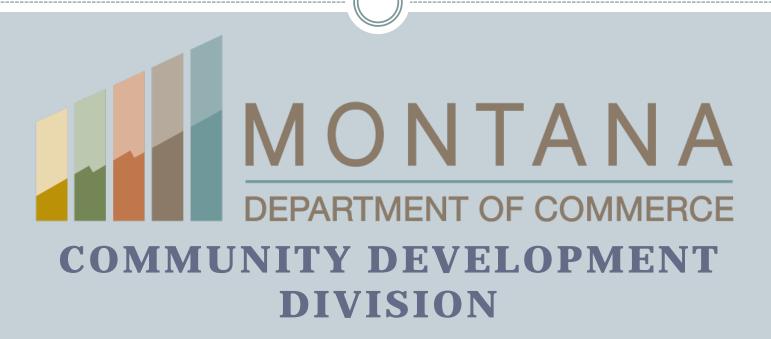
#### HOUSING TRUST FUND

(HTF)

**Interim Rule:** 

24 CFR Parts 91 and 93





# WHAT IS THE HOUSING TRUST FUND?

Program was authorized in 2009 and funded in 2016

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Transportation



State of Montana Department of Commerce



Eligible Recipients

# WHAT IS THE HOUSING TRUST FUND?

Congress established HTF to increase and preserve decent, safe and affordable housing for

- 'very low-' (>30% and <50%) and</p>
  - 'extremely low-' (<30%) income citizens</p>



## ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:

## Rental Development and Rehabilitation

- acquisition,
- demolition,
- site improvements,
- construction,
- rehabilitation,
- conversion,
- reconstruction, and
- \*operating costs\*

#### Online Resources:

https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/htf/

## **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:**

- Entitlement communities;
- Public housing agencies;
- For-profit entities;
- Non-profit entities; and
- Tribally-designated entities

are eligible to apply for HTF funds

## PHASE ONE INTENT TO APPLY:

#### **Provides:**

- Strategic Investment of Time
- Interval for Local Analysis
- Overview of Project
- Technical Assistance Opportunity

## PHASE TWO APPLICATION:

## Successful in Phase One; Apply in Phase Two!

Phase Two will assess the applicant's

- 1. ability and capacity to:
  - comply with HTF from start to finish;
  - undertake, operate, and manage the activity; and
  - provide firm commitments of funding.
- 2. experience
  - with other programs proposed for the activity; and
  - owning, constructing, or operating affordable housing.

## PHASE TWO APPLICATION:

#### Funding Considerations

- Targeted data
- Alignment with Consolidated Plan and HTF Program goals, objectives, and regulations;
- Assistance to disadvantaged populations;
- Community support for the project, long-term feasibility consistency with the community's planning efforts, and applicant's capacity
- Technical feasibility given needs, alternatives, resources, financing, environmental considerations, and cost.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- 30-Year Period of Affordability;
  - Annual Reviews;
- Related Soft Costs are proportional to the ratio of HTF to all other funds, capped at 2.5% of grant;
- Same Maximum Subsidy per Unit Limits as HOME

### HIGH PRIORITY TARGETS



- √ % of families in Poverty
- ✓ Available Units per 100 Extremely Low Income Households
- ✓ Median Gross Rent as a percent of Income
- √ % of Housing in Poor/Unsound Condition
- √ % of Montana's Total Homeless Population by District
- ✓ Transportation + Housing Cost as a % of Income for Renters

## RESOURCES

Department of Commerce

http://commerce.mt.gov/

Community Development Division

http://comdev.mt.gov/

Department of Commerce HTF Program

http://comdev.mt.gov/Programs/HTF

Concerns? Have a Comment?

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