

# Overview

- What is a HUD HOME Consortium
- Why we should form a HOME Consortium
- How we form a Consortium
- Who will be involved
- FAQs
- Discussion

# HUD HOME Investment Partnership Program

- Provides annual formula grant funds to States and localities
- Goals
  - Provide decent affordable housing to low-income households
  - Expand capacity of non-profit housing providers
  - Strengthen ability of local government to provide housing
  - Leverage private-sector participation

# HUD HOME Investment Partnership Program

- Funds used for affordable housing programs and projects for low-income households
- Funds used to support consortium's homeownership activities
  - Home-owner occupied rehabilitation
  - Direct homebuyer assistance (down payment and/or closing costs)
  - Development of for-sale housing and low-income rental housing
  - Rental assistance programs
  - Site acquisition/improvement, and demolition of dilapidated housing
    - Some restrictions and guidelines around this

# Reason for a HOME Consortium

- Why we should form a HOME Consortium
  - Support needed housing activities and programs
    - Locally
    - Regionally
  - Access funds that we currently cannot access individually
    - States are automatically eligible for direct funding
    - Local jurisdictions eligible for at least \$500,000 also receive direct funding
  - By joining together in a consortium, our region's combined allocations would meet the threshold for direct funding

# How We Form a Consortium

- Follow the HUD Timeline and Requirements
  - March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021: Letter of Intent to HUD
  - June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021: Submission of Consortium Agreement, State Certification, and Legal Opinion
  - August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021: Make sure all completed material sent to HUD
    - Start working on Consolidated Plan
  - August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021: HUD reviews all materials
  - September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021: HUD to certify new Consortium
  - September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021: Last date to make any changes to Consortium
  - March 2021: Notify HUD of intent to accept funds, starts 90 day clock to submit the completed Consolidated Plan

# Forming a Consortium / Involvement

- Consortium Agreement
  - Legally binding cooperation agreement signed by all participants
  - Designates a lead entity & other required elements
- Consolidated Plan
  - Shows coordinated approach and describes how consortium will use funds
  - 3-5 year plan that describes community needs, resources, priorities, and proposed activities
  - Must include: housing market analysis, action plan for investing funds, citizen participation process
- Who is Involved
  - Hopefully all four counties and the towns and cities within
  - Our allocated funding total depends on level of involvement

# Frequently Asked Questions

- What would be our funding level
  - \$800,000
  - Allows us to reach both formula allocation threshold (\$500,000) and first-time participation threshold (\$750,000)
- Is there a match requirement
  - 25% non-federal match for all project-related expenditures
  - In form of cash, assets, labor, or other services
  - Can be on project-by-project basis responsibility of project recipient
  - No money required to join consortium

# Frequently Asked Questions

- What is the governance structure
  - Consortium Members
  - Lead Entity
    - Designated jurisdiction
    - Primary responsibility for ensuring consortium compliance with HOME rules
  - Administrative Agent
    - Can carry out administrative responsibilities of HOME program
  - Consortium Committee
    - One representative from each consortium member
    - Meets on regular basis to review progress



# Thank You

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