



CLPHA Member Call

Monday, January 11 1:00 PM ET

General Announcements

- **CLPHA COVID Survey – Fri 1/22**
 - Encourage all PHAs to contribute to the survey. Will guide CLPHA activities in 2021.
- **CLPHA COVID Resident Support Grant Applications – Fri 1/15***
 - *Email housingis@clpha.org if you would like to request an extension through 1/22
 - Award announcements will be made 2/1
- ***Housing Is Out-of-School Learning Community* – Tues 1/12, 2pm ET**
 - Cohosting with National Summer Learning Association
 - If interested, contact Abra Lyons-Warren (abra@clpha.org)
- **FEMA Working Group – Thurs 1/21, 2pm ET**
 - If interested, contact Josh Shokoor (jshokoor@clpha.org)

Policy Updates



HR 133 “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”

- \$2.3 trillion omnibus appropriations and coronavirus relief funding bill
- Passed Congress on December 22, 2020
- Signed by President Trump on December 27, 2020
- FY21 HUD appropriations located in Division L, Title II
- Emergency rental assistance located in Division N, Title V

FY21 Funding Levels

	FY2020 Final	FY21 CLPHA Request	FY21 Final	% Year to Year Change
Capital fund	\$2.869 b	\$5.0 b	\$2.765 b	-3.6%
Operating fund	\$4.549 b	\$4.659 b	\$4.839 b	+6.4%
HCV renewals	\$21.502 b	\$22.779 b	\$23.08 b	+7.3%
HCV admin fees	\$1.977 b	\$2.55 b	\$2.159 b	+9.2%
VASH	\$40 m	\$40 m	\$40 m	Flat funding
FUP	\$25 m	\$25 m	\$25 m	Flat funding
Mainstream Program	\$229 m		\$314 m	+37.1%
TPVs	\$75 m	\$130 m	\$116 m	+54.7%
FSS	\$80 m	\$110 m	\$105 m	+31.2%
Choice Neighborhoods	\$175 m	\$300 m	\$200 m	+14.3%
PBRA	\$12.570 b	\$13.4 b	\$13.465 b	+7.1%
CDBG	\$3.425 b	\$3.8 b	\$3.476 b	+1.5%
HOME	\$1.35 b	\$1.5 b	\$1.35 b	Flat funding

Other FY21 News

- Public Housing Fund Consolidation
- Report on new housing in high-cost areas
- Evaluation of homelessness prevention
- ConnectHome Partnerships
- Public Housing Accreditation
- Requirement for carbon monoxide detectors in all federally assisted housing (\$300m for implementation)

Special Purpose Vouchers

- \$43 million for a new special purpose voucher program that serves people at risk of homelessness and survivors of domestic violence
- Fostering Stable Opportunities Act – allows former foster youth participating in FUP to stay an additional two years under certain conditions
- National Defense Authorization Act expanded eligibility for VASH to those receiving less than honorable discharge

MTW Provisions

- Prior held reserves for MTW expansion agencies
 - The FY21 Appropriations Act re-affirmed that incoming MTW agencies can use their reserve funds as part of their funding flexibility
- Elimination of proposed separate MTW funding account
 - HUD's budget request included a new and separate funding account for MTW agencies. The MTW Collaborative opposed the creation of a separate account and the final FY21 bill leaves funding for MTW agencies in the tenant-based rental assistance and public housing accounts.
- Elimination of reserves off-set language

COVID: Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)

- Overview:
 - \$25 Billion in Emergency Rental Assistance
 - Treasury Department will distribute funds directly to:
 - States
 - Localities (with more than 200,000 residents)
 - Territories
 - Indian Tribes
 - Estimated allocations will be divided by share of total U.S. population (See the following tables provided by NLIHC)

ESTIMATED ALLOCATION FOR ERA: From NLIHC

STATE/TERRITORY	ESTIMATED ALLOCATION	STATE/TERRITORY	ESTIMATED ALLOCATION
ALABAMA	\$326,387,000	IOWA	\$210,022,000
ALASKA	\$200,000,000	KANSAS	\$200,000,000
ARIZONA	\$484,518,000	KENTUCKY	\$297,397,000
ARKANSAS	\$200,884,000	LOUISIANA	\$309,453,000
CALIFORNIA	\$2,630,186,000	MAINE	\$200,000,000
COLORADO	\$383,338,000	MARYLAND	\$402,439,000
CONNECTICUT	\$237,328,000	MASSACHUSETTS	\$458,809,000
DELAWARE	\$200,000,000	MICHIGAN	\$664,789,000
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	\$200,000,000	MINNESOTA	\$375,410,000
FLORIDA	\$1,429,695,000	MISSISSIPPI	\$200,000,000
GEORGIA	\$706,763,000	MISSOURI	\$408,546,000
HAWAII	\$200,000,000	MONTANA	\$200,000,000
IDAHO	\$200,000,000	NEBRASKA	\$200,000,000
ILLINOIS	\$843,517,000	NEVADA	\$205,035,000
INDIANA	\$448,139,000	NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$200,000,000

ESTIMATED ALLOCATION FOR ERA: From NLIHC (continued)

STATE/TERRITORY	ESTIMATED ALLOCATION	STATE/TERRITORY	ESTIMATED ALLOCATION
NEW JERSEY	\$591,255,000	VERMONT	\$200,000,000
NEW MEXICO	\$200,000,000	VIRGINIA	\$568,179,000
NEW YORK	\$1,294,953,000	WASHINGTON	\$506,896,000
NORTH CAROLINA	\$698,154,000	WEST VIRGINIA	\$200,000,000
NORTH DAKOTA	\$200,000,000	WISCONSIN	\$387,578,000
OHIO	\$778,101,000	WYOMING	\$200,000,000
OKLAHOMA	\$263,401,000		
OREGON	\$280,759,000	PUERTO RICO	\$325,000,000
PENNSYLVANIA	\$852,182,000	AMERICAN SAMOA	\$75,000,000
RHODE ISLAND	\$200,000,000	GUAM	
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$342,731,000	NORTHERN MARIANA ISL.	
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$200,000,000	VIRGIN ISLANDS	
TENNESSEE	\$454,593,000	TRIBAL AREAS	\$80,000,000
TEXAS	\$1,930,151,000	TOTAL:	\$25 BILLION
UTAH	\$213,409,000		

Eligible Renter Households

- A renter household eligible for Emergency Rental Assistance must meet the following criteria:
 1. Qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19;
 2. Demonstrates a risk of homelessness or housing instability; and
 3. Has a household income at or below 80 percent of the area median income (AMI)

Additional Rental Assistance Information

- It is presently unclear if current federally assisted renter households are eligible for this assistance. Waiting on guidance from Treasury.
- Households with an individual who has been unemployed for 90 days prior to applying for assistance and those with a combined income at or below 50% AMI should be prioritized for assistance.
- Rental assistance payments must first be directed to reduce or eliminate any rent arrears before covering current/future rental payments.
- Eligible renter households may receive up to 12 months of rental assistance, with the ability to apply after every three months.

Local Jurisdiction Guidance

- Eligible jurisdictions will receive direct rental assistance payments proportional to their population share to the corresponding state maximum allocation.
- If a county and city covering the same resident population apply for direct payments funds will be allocated based on their population share.
- To apply for direct emergency rental assistance payments, eligible localities must:
 - Meet the population requirements of at least 200,000
 - Provide payment information and sign acceptance of award terms
 - Submit application for ERA payments no later than **11:59 p.m. EDT on January 12, 2021**

Questions and Comments

- CLPHA will be sending feedback to Treasury on program requirements and eligibility.
- Please send your questions to my email below, and we will direct them to the Treasury Department as we await further program guidance on the use of emergency rental assistance funds:
 - Jshokoor@clpha.org