

# 2025 Single Family Request for Proposals Information Session

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# Agenda

- Key Details and Definitions
- Eligible Activities
- Application Materials
- Scoring and Selection
- Tips and Technical Assistance
- Questions



# Our Mission

Housing is foundational to a full life and a thriving state, so we equitably collaborate with individuals, communities and partners to create, preserve and finance housing that is affordable.



### **Deadline and Submission**

#### **Deadline:**

All application materials must be received by Minnesota Housing on or before:

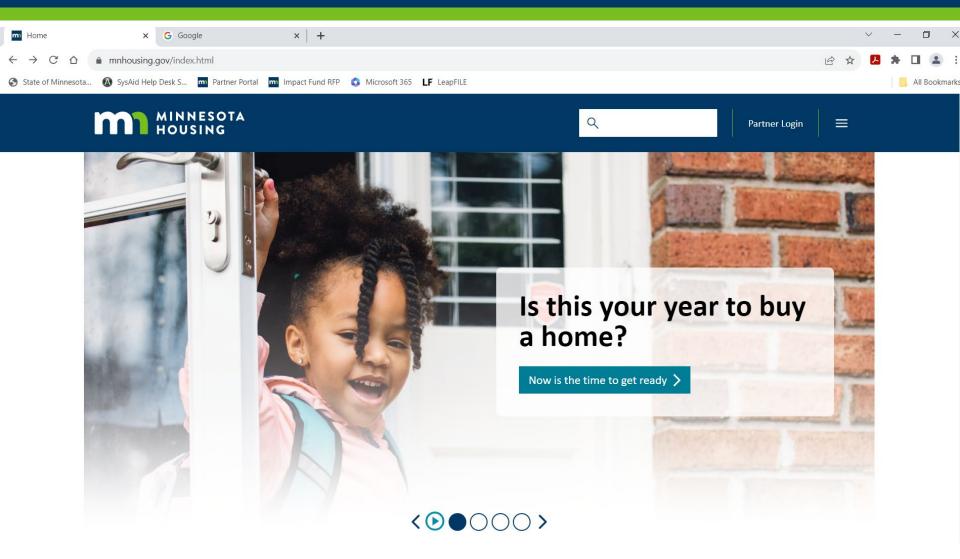
### Thursday, July 10, 2025, at noon

### **Upload:**

Upload your application using the <u>Single Family Secure File</u> <u>Exchange</u> to the email address: <u>impact.fund.mhfa@state.mn.us</u>



# Locating the Impact Fund Webpage www.mnhousing.gov





### **Available Funds**



### **Minnesota Housing:**

- Economic Development and Housing Challenge Funds (Challenge)
- Housing Infrastructure Bond Proceeds
- Housing Infrastructure Appropriations
- Workforce Affordable Housing Development
- ➤ Interim Construction Loans



### **Interim Loans**

- 42-month deferred, repayable loans
- Below market interest rate
- Combine with other construction financing
- Interest accrues when funds are disbursed
- No prepayment penalty
- Availability more limited than in previous years





# **Greater Minnesota Housing Fund**







### Single Family Gap Financing

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### Eligible Applicants

### **Eligible Applicants include**

- Cities
- Federally recognized American Indian Tribes or Subdivisions located in Minnesota
- Tribal housing corporations
- Private developers
- Nonprofit organizations
- School districts, cooperative units, or charter schools



# Affordability Gap & Value Gap







# Value Gap Scenario



#### **Housing Activities:**

- New Construction
- Acquisition, Rehab, Resale

Total Development Cost Fair Market Sale Price Value Gap \$375,000 (-) \$250,000 \$75,000



### Affordability Gap Scenario



Purchase Price
Buyer's First Mortgage
Affordability Gap

\$250,000 (-) \$200,000 \$50,000

#### **Examples:**

- Downpayment Assistance
- Closing Cost Assistance



### **Total Unit Subsidy Scenario**



Total Development

Cost:

\$325,000

**Value Gap:** 

\$75,000

Fair Market

Sale Price:

\$250,000

**Affordability** Gap:

\$50,000

Buyer's first mortgage:

\$200,000

Value Gap subsidy Affordability Gap subsidy (+) \$50,000 **Total Unit Subsidy** 

\$75,000 \$125,000



### Eligible Activities

### **Eligible Activities include:**

- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale
- New Construction
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation
- Stand-Alone Affordability Gap
- Tribal Indian Housing Program



### Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale



#### **Eligible Uses:**

- Value Gap
- Affordability Gap
- Land acquisition, utility connections, demolition (CLTs only)

### **Special requirements:**

- Minnesota Green Communities
- Lead Safe rules



### Minnesota Green Communities

#### **Criteria applies to:**

- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale
- New Construction

# Single Family Green Community Resources:

- 2025-2026 Single Family Overlay to the 2020 Green Communities Criteria
- 2020 Green Communities
- 2025-2026 Single Family Intended Methods Worksheet





### New Construction, 1



#### **Types of Units**

- Stand-alone single-family homes
- Duplex, triplex, quadplex (1 unit owner-occupied)
- Townhomes, rowhomes, condos

### **Design examples**

- Large family homes
- Accessory dwelling units
- Accessible homes



### New Construction, 2

#### **Eligible Uses**

- Value Gap
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### **Special Requirements**

- Minnesota Green Communities criteria
- Visitability
- Prevailing Wage



# Visitability



#### **Visitable Unit Design**

- 32" Clear opening doorways
- At least 1 no-step entrance
- ½ Bath or larger on main level

#### **Waivers**

- Limited circumstance, homeby-home basis
- No blanket waivers



# Prevailing Wage

### **Prevailing Wage Triggers**

- New Construction project, and
- \$200,000 or more in grant proceeds, or
- \$500,000 or more in loan proceeds

### **Exemptions**

- Total financial assistance less than \$100,000 for a single project site
- No more than 10 fully detached single family units



### Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation

#### **Types of Repairs**

- Safety, habitability, preservation, energy efficiency
- Owner-occupied homes

#### **Eligible Uses**

- Grants for homes that will be placed in land trusts
- Forgivable loans
- Community Fix Up Loan interest rate write-down

#### **Special Requirement:** Lead Safe Standards



# Affordability Gap Options

Need-based assistance for buyers purchasing homes.

### **Additional Affordability Gap Options**

- Minnesota Housing Programs
  - Deferred Payment loans
  - Monthly Payment loans
- Greater Minnesota Housing Fund
- Other local programs



# Affordability Gap Requirements

### **Household Eligibility**

- 25% Housing expense to Gross Income ratio
- Waivers allowed by request on case-by-case basis

### **Eligible Uses**

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### Forgivable Loan Overview

#### Loans are 0% Interest, deferred, forgivable

- Income Limit: 80% AMI
- Variable loan length based on loan amount
- Repayable upon qualifying event
- Loans assigned to Minnesota Housing

#### Affordability Gap & Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Loan Structure

Loan Term	10 Years	20 Years
<b>Maximum Loan Amount</b>	\$50,000	\$100,000
Forgiveness Schedule	1/10 <sup>th</sup> per year	1/20 <sup>th</sup> per year
Maximum Forgiven per Year	\$5,000	\$5,000



# **Tribal Indian Housing Program**

**Eligible Applicants:** Current Tribal Indian Housing Program administrators

**Eligible Use:** Recapitalize Tribal Indian Housing Program revolving funds

Use of funds must be consistent with current twoyear Tribal Indian Housing Program plans



### **Income Limits**



Impact Fund Income Limits

Effective for Impact Fund units completed or closed on or after June 1, 2024.

Gross Household Income	11-County Twin Cities Metro Area*	Rochester MSA**	Balance of State
50%	\$62,100	\$58,600	\$55,900
60%	\$74,600	\$70,400	\$67,100
80%	\$99,400	\$93,800	\$89,500
100%	\$124,200	\$117,200	\$111,800
115%	\$142,900	\$134,800	\$128,600

<sup>\*</sup>Counties of Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Dodge and Olmsted counties.



### **Administration Fee**

#### **Administration Fee**

- Maximum Fee Amount:
  - \$1,000 per unit for New Construction and Acquisition Rehabilitation
  - \$1,000 or \$2,000 per unit for Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation
- Eligible costs: application intake, household eligibility, loan origination and processing, document preparation, tracking and reporting
- Ineligible costs: subsidies for marketing, loans not funded, etc.



### Developer Fee

#### **Application Types**

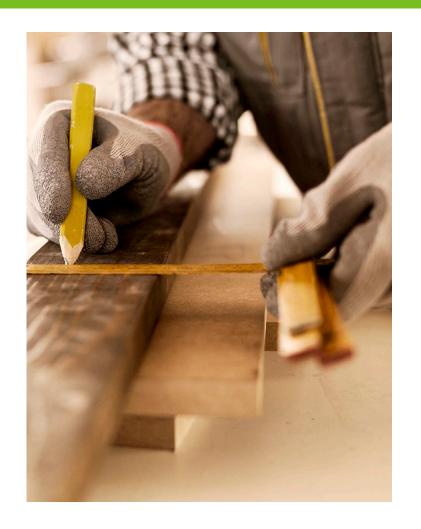
- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale
- New Construction

#### When to use:

Direct involvement, primary responsibility for construction

#### **Maximum Developer Fee:**

• 10% of Total Development Costs





# **General Application**

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#### **Application Materials**

- <u>Single Family RFP Application Instructions</u>
- Income Limits

#### General Application

All applicants must complete the General Application and applicable Risk Assessment form. Nonprofit organizations and for-profit business entities may also need to complete the applicable Internal Controls Certification form.

- General Application Word | PDF
- Open Closed Award Status Report
- Risk Assessment Form For-Profit Business Entities
- Risk Assessment Form Nonprofit Organizations
- Risk Assessment Form Political Subdivisions
- Internal Controls Certification For-Profit Business Entities
- Internal Controls Certification Nonprofit Organizations



### **Activity Application**

#### Additional Submission Items by Proposal Housing Activity Type

Only complete the applicable Activity Section(s).

New Community Land Trust applicants that have not applied through the Single Family RFP previously must complete the Community Land Trust Supplemental Application.

#### Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Resale Housing Activity Section

- Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Resale Activity Application
- Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Resale Activity Workbook
- Also see the Single Family Green Communities Resources section below.

#### Stand-Alone Affordability Gap Activity Section

- Affordability Gap Application
- Affordability Gap Workbook

#### **New Construction Activity Section**

- New Construction Activity Application
- New Construction Workbook
- Prevailing Wage Certification (if applicable)
- Also see Single Family Green Communities Resources section below

#### Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Activity Section (includes CFUL Write Down)

- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Application
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Workbook
- Also see the Lead-Based Paint Guidebook in the Green Resources section below

#### Tribal Indian Housing Program (TIHP) Activity Section

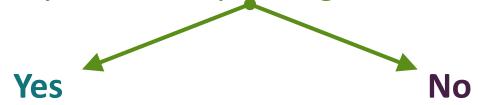
- <u>Tribal Indian Housing Program Application</u>
- Tribal Indian Housing Program Workbook



### How to Request Affordability Gap

# Which application should I use to request Affordability Gap?

Are you also requesting Value Gap?



- Acquisition, Rehab,
   Resale Application
- New Construction Application

Stand-Alone
 Affordability Gap
 Application



# Multiple Applications

### When do I complete multiple applications?

- Applying for more than one Activity type
- Substantial differences between projects of the same Activity type

### Requirements

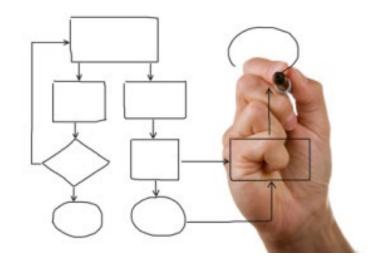
- 1 General Application and set of Risk Assessment/Internal Controls forms
- Unique Activity Application and Workbook for each Project



# Scoring and Selection

### **Scoring & Selection Process**

- Reviewed and scored by staff
- Reviewed and prioritized by Selections Committee
- Reviewed and voted on by Minnesota Housing board of directors

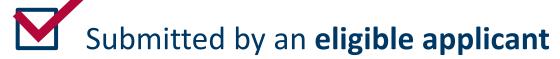




### **Threshold Criteria**

### Will your application qualify for review?

#### It must be:





Submitted by the application deadline

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# Competitive Selection Criteria

### **How scoring works**

- Three competitive selection criteria
- Scored from 0-5 points each
- 15 possible points

### **Competitive Selection**

- Organizational Capacity
- Project Feasibility
- Community Need



# Organizational Capacity

### **Organizational Capacity**

- Experience with similar projects or programs
- Roles of applicant and organizational partners
- Organization financial health
- Past performance



## **Project Feasibility**



Cost Reasonableness

**Economic Viability** 

- Vacancy rates
- Workforce growth
- Housing affordability
- Condition of housing stock

Able to complete within 36 months

Development readiness



## **Community Need**

- What is the housing need in your Target Area based on population, local economic factors, and housing conditions? For example:
  - Clear demand for affordable housing.
  - Deteriorated housing stock.
- What is unique about the need in your area?
- How is your proposal best suited to meet the need?



## **Funding Priorities**

### **Funding Priorities**

- Efficient Use of Resources
- Focus on Households Most Impacted
- Supporting Community and Economic Development
- Increasing and Maintaining the Supply of Affordable Housing





## Leverage

- Committed leverage
- Documentation:
  - Funding commitment letter, signed and dated, describing funding amount and timeframe
  - Dedicated funds in board-approved strategic plan, budget
- Project-specific: Good
- Complete the Leverage worksheet



## Pending Leverage

### For example, you have...

- Applied for project support, but funds have not yet been approved.
- Dedicated funds to the project in your budget, but do not have approval from your board or council.

### **Pending Leverage Deadline:**

September 1, 2025



## Community Partnerships

- Partnerships establish connection to community
- Partners can include local government, lenders, contractors, homebuyer educators, realtors, etc.
- Strengthens organizational capacity
- Demonstrates project readiness





## **Funding Recommendations**

#### **Award Decisions**

 Minnesota Housing Board will consider funding recommendations on December 18, 2025.



 Greater Minnesota Housing Fund board meeting date may vary.

#### Selection notification via letter

Within 10 working days of Board approval



### **Post-Award Information**

#### **Debriefing Meetings** – for applicants not selected

- cover why not funded
- tips for reapplying

#### **Launch Meetings –** for selected applicants

- Impact Fund Contract
- Program Requirements
- Disbursement process
- Reporting/monitoring



# **Application Tips**

- Read the RFP, application and workbook
- Start early!
- Use the RFP Checklist and include all required attachments
- Double check for consistency throughout
- Submit your application on time:

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#### **Technical Assistance**

### Yes! We would love to help.

- How application materials work
- Program requirements

### No, we can't do that for you.

- Make suggestions
- Proofread applications

#### Deadline for TA: Tuesday, June 10th



### **Contact Us**

### **Minnesota Housing Impact Fund**

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# Questions

