

SPECIAL CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SLFRF ARPA FUNDING

DSHA is pleased to announce a special competitive application round for 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). All applications must follow the requirements of 2023-2024 Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) with the following exceptions ***for this round only***:

- DSHA will set aside an additional \$1MM in HOME funding for the top ranked application. In addition to DSHA's standard lending policies (see the applicable funding supplement for additional details), all applicants will be eligible to request SLFRF ARPA funding regardless of the development being considered preservation or new creation. The funding request must follow the stated Preservation Fund and Accelerator Fund program guidelines (found here: http://destatehousing.com/Developers/developermedia/mp_guidelines.pdf http://destatehousing.com/Developers/developermedia/mrba_guidelines.pdf)

- For this special round only, DSHA will waive the active project threshold limit. This means applicants that are at or exceed the threshold limit may apply for an additional allocation as part of this round. Any allocation made as part of this round will not count toward the threshold limit for future LIHTC allocation rounds.
- For this special round only, all points scored in the readiness category will be doubled to incentivize readiness to proceed and meet all funding deadlines.

Additional requirements for this round are as follows:

- Applications are due ***October 13, 2023 by 3pm***.
- All applications must provide a clear and detailed timeline to achieve construction closing no later than ***September 30, 2024*** to meet the commitment deadlines of the SLFRF ARPA funding. Failure to meet this closing deadline will result in a forfeiture of the SLFRF ARPA funding and revocation of the allocation of credits.
- Applications that do not request SLFRF ARPA funding will be considered as applying under the standard rolling 4% application process and will not be eligible for the additional \$1MM in HOME or the active project threshold waiver and will not be eligible to receive a preliminary allocation of DSHA funding or bond cap volume until after October 13, 2023 (subject to availability).
- Development Teams (defined in the QAP as an Applicant, Owner, Development Consultant, and/or an entity that shares an Identity of Interest) will be limited to one application submission.

This round and the aforementioned waivers are a one-time offer due to the availability of the SLFRF ARPA funding and should not be viewed as precedent setting for any future LIHTC application submissions, competitive or otherwise, or any future revisions to the QAP. Unless expressly stated here, all applications must comply with all requirements of the QAP and attachments including, but not necessarily limited to, threshold, scoring, underwriting, and minimum construction standards. Allocations will be subject to availability of funds. DSHA will offer technical assistance as requested.

All 2023-2024 QAP requirements are at the following link:

http://destatehousing.com/Developers/dv_lihtc.php

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