

## **Multifamily Housing Notice 15-03**

May 15, 2015

## REVISED

- To: Developers, Sponsors and Local Housing Contacts
- From: Elaine Cornick, Director, Multifamily Housing

Re: 2015 Maryland Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) and Multifamily Rental Financing Program Guide (Guide) – Amendments for Non-Substantive changes

## QAP and Guide – 2015 Revision

DHCD's proposed changes to the QAP and Guide for non-substantive changes or other clarifying changes are available for review. The documents may be accessed from the Department's website at <u>http://www.mdhousing.org.</u> The only changes to the QAP dated July 8, 2014 are those included in the Guide, which is incorporated by reference in the QAP.

After careful review of the Qualified Action Plan (QAP) it has been determined that the QAP allows for non-substantive changes to be made to the Program Guide without the public notice and hearing process under the following circumstances (July 8, 2014 QAP, page 3);

"The Program Guide may be amended for non-substantive changes or for changes which do not affect LIHTC without further amendment to the Allocation Plan and without a public hearing, by determination of the Secretary, to the extent necessary to carry out CDA policies." Based on this determination the previous published schedule for a limited review of the QAP and Guide has been suspended.

The Department intends to conduct a wholesale review of the QAP and Program Guide in the coming year, commencing in the fall of 2015. In connection with that review, the Department intends to provide numerous opportunities for public comment, including holding one or more public hearings and will follow the requirements for notice and hearing in the Internal Revenue Code. A schedule to begin this review will be provided in a subsequent HDP Notice.

2015 Competition for LIHTCs and Rental Housing Funds: Round Deadline

Applications for the 2015 Competitive Funding Round are due by Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 5:00 PM. Applications must be delivered to the mailroom on the ground floor of 7800 Harkins Road, Lanham, Maryland 20706. Additional information about the 2015 Round and the Pre-Information Session will be provided in a subsequent HDP Notice.

Please remember that we are announcing future round deadlines, significant application changes, bond program amendments, and other key dates and facts on our web site and by email only. Please make sure that we have your current email address. Please send any additions or corrections to <u>dhcd.rentalhousing@maryland.gov</u> as soon as possible.

Notices are posted to the DHCD website at the following locations: <u>http://mdhousing.org/Website/programs/rhf/Default.aspx#Notices</u> <u>http://mdhousing.org/Website/programs/lihtc/Default.aspx</u>

Thank you for your interest and participation in the multifamily housing programs in Maryland.

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