North Dakota Housing Finance Agency (NDHFA) announces the availability of a HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Allocation Plan, a substantial amendment to the state’s 2021 Annual Action Plan.

HOME-ARP provided federal funding to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals and businesses. In regard to the need for homelessness assistance and supportive services, HOME-ARP funds should prioritize activities that benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations. These four activities include: development and support of affordable housing, tenant-based rental assistance, provision of supportive services, and acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units.

The state of North Dakota received a HOME-ARP allocation of $7.7 million and named NDHFA the administrator. Before these funds can be allocated, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must approve an Allocation Plan that describes how NDHFA will distribute the funds in accordance with the priority needs identified, the method for soliciting applications and selecting developers and service providers.

The Allocation Plan will be available online at www.ndhfa.org beginning on Dec. 16, 2022. Written comments regarding the plan, submitted to hfainfo@nd.gov or P.O. Box 1535, Bismarck, ND 58502-1535, must be received by 5:00 p.m., CT, on Jan. 3, 2023.

A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m., CT., on Jan. 5, 2023, to discuss the comments received and accept additional comments from citizens prior to submission of the plan to HUD. Access to the hearing will be in person or via Microsoft Teams (virtual or audio-only). For alternate formats of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and other requests for assistance, contact Jennifer Henderson.

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