



**For Immediate Release:**  
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**Notice of Comment Period  
Tax Credit Assistance Program**

PIERRE – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued Notice CPD-09-03 (Notice) on May 4, 2009, outlining the implementation of the Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP). TCAP is funded under the HOME Program, and the South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) will receive over \$5.4 million in TCAP funding. HUD will issue supplemental or interpretive guidance on TCAP as it becomes available.

TCAP funding is available as grant or loan funding to Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects awarded LIHTCs between October 1, 2006 and September 30, 2009, and which need additional funding to be completed and placed in service in accordance with Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). To view additional TCAP regulations, please visit the HUD website - <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm>.

Per the Notice, SDHDA must make its TCAP project selection process and criteria available for public comment for a period of at least five days. In addition, SDHDA must also define “award of LIHTCs”. SDHDA will define “award of LIHTCs” as board approval of the conditional reservation of housing tax credits.

SDHDA will award TCAP funds competitively based on the following:

- The project must have been awarded, or will simultaneously with TCAP funding be awarded, LIHTCs between October 1, 2006 and September 30, 2009.
- Priority will be given to eligible projects expected to be completed by February 16, 2012.
- The project Selection Criteria of the 2009 – 2010 Housing Tax Credit Program Qualified Allocation Plan (2009 – 2010 QAP) will be utilized.
- If awarded LIHTC’s prior to 2009, the project must have completed the environmental review process (24 CFR Part 58).
- Funding will be limited to LIHTC projects with equity pricing of less than \$.85 per tax credit.

Projects that submitted a timely completed application for LIHTCs under the 2009 – 2010 QAP will automatically be considered for an award of TCAP funds. Projects receiving a LIHTC award prior to 2009 must submit a letter request providing any





information the applicant believes is relevant, including the completed environmental review.

Parties interested in commenting on the above selection process or criteria or the definition of "award of LIHTCs" must provide written comments prior to 5:00 P.M. central time, May 19, 2009. Comments may be emailed to [Lorraine@sdhda.org](mailto:Lorraine@sdhda.org), faxed to (605) 773-5154, or mailed to the attention of Lorraine Polak, South Dakota Housing Development Authority, P.O. Box 1237, Pierre, SD 57501. Mailed comments must be received by SDHDA by the May 19 deadline. Questions regarding TCAP may be directed to SDHDA by calling (605) 773-3181.

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