
Notice of Public Housing Forum and 30 Day Comment Period for
Housing and Community Development Plan

The public is invited to attend a Fair Housing Forum and public meeting on October 7, 2010. South Dakota Housing Development Authority in conjunction with the Governor's Office of Economic Development are in the process of completing an Analysis of the Impediments to Fair Housing for South Dakota. The Fair Housing Forum is a method to collect public and agency input regarding fair housing issues. The forum will provide preliminary findings of the analysis and will solicit the public's input on how to address and overcome the issues.

The public is also invited to review and provide comments regarding the drafts for the proposed [2011 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan Update](#), the [2011 – 2012 HOME Program Allocation Plan](#) and the [2011-2012 Housing Tax Credit Program Qualified Allocation Plan](#).

Completion of the Analysis of Impediments and the Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan are requirements to receive funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The 2011 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan Update details how the state will allocate its housing and community development resources from January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011. Specifically the Plan describes the state's plan to allocate 2011 funds under the HOME Program (\$3.5 million), the CDBG Program (\$6.9 million) and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program (\$350,000). In addition the Plan provides information regarding the Neighborhood Stabilization Program and Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program.

Eligible activities under the HOME Plan include rehabilitation, new construction, and homebuyer programs including lease-purchase, security deposit funding and homeowner rehabilitation. Changes to the 2011-2012 HOME Allocation Plan include revisions to match contribution requirements, revising scoring under the Primary Selection Criteria, including a Single Room Occupancy definition and cost limit, and revisions to property characteristics.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requires that each allocating agency makes available to the public, its Housing Tax Credit Qualified Allocation Plan, outlining the administration of the HTC Program. Proposed changes in the 2011-2012 plan include expanding the definition of projects eligible for the 30 percent eligible basis boost, removing additional SDHDA rent restrictions, reducing the required number of units restricted to Fair Market Rent, and the pertinent changes highlighted under the HOME Program above.

Persons who are interested in presenting comments on the plans may do so by attending the public meeting on October 7, 2010, or by sending the comments to SDHDA at PO Box 1237, Pierre, SD 57501-1237, faxing to (605) 773-5154, or emailing them to lorraine@sdhda.org. All comments must be received in SDHDA's office by 5 p.m. CDT on October 15, 2010.

The meeting on October 7, 2010, will be held at several locations throughout the state on the Digital Dakota Network (DDN). The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. CT (9:00 a.m. MT). Digital Dakota Network (DDN) sites that will be available for this meeting are:

Aberdeen - Northern State University LIB 117
Brookings - DHS
Mitchell – MTI TC155
Pierre - Capitol B and SDHDA
Rapid City – DOT
Sioux Falls – University Center 282S
Watertown - Lake Area Technical Institute 1
Yankton - DOT

Reminder: These plans are drafts and are subject to change. The final copies of each plan will be available by January 1, 2011.