Deeply Affordable Housing Grant Fund

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Requester Information

Legislator: Whyte, Stephen L.

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Section 1: Request Details

Description:

This is an extension of the highly successful FY 2022 and 2023 competitive grant program for deeply affordable housing (30% area median income and below). The program is a supply side housing solution. It is designed to create more units supported by services.

Legislative designee contact information:

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· Organization: Office of Homeless Services

• Position: State Homelessness Coordinator

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Out-of-state Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Technology Purchases	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$50,000,000.00	\$0.00

Expenditure Total

One-time 2024 One-time 2025 Ongoing 2025

\$0.00 \$50,000,000.00 \$0.00

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Funding Sources:

ARPA

- Amount Requested 2024 (One-time) \$0.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (One-time) \$15,000,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (Ongoing) \$0.00

General Fund

- Amount Requested 2024 (One-time) \$0.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (One-time) \$35,000,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (Ongoing) \$0.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2024 One-time 2025 Ongoing 2025

\$0.00 \$50,000,000.00 \$0.00

Should unused funding be returned to the state at the end of the fiscal year?

No

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled

The project is scalable. The number of units would be created per the amount of funding prioritized. From the experience releasing the funding this year, a minimum of \$25,000,000 is needed to make a housing unit impact. The amount of funding appropriated determines the number of units created. The 77,000+ 30% AMI and below unit deficit clearly outlines the need for funding to address this issue.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Health and Wellbeing Infrastructure and Mobility

Agency:

600 / Workforce Services

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding

• State Government

Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit from this request (who is the target audience)?

Individuals experiencing homelessness and others who are in need of housing at 30% AMI or below and who require varying degrees of support in housing. As previously mentioned, the statewide deficit for deeply affordable housing is 77,410 units statewide. This appropriation will help bridge that gap. The program is intentionally designed to fund projects statewide by dedicating specific amounts to urban and rural counties.

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

The Kem C. Gardner Institute has provided data showing cumulative surplus/deficit for four area median income (AMI) levels for calendar year 2022. In the category of households at 30% of the AMI, there are only 2,412 housing units available to accommodate a larger number of 79,552 households, yielding a significant deficit of 77,140 available and affordable units. This program helps to decrease the identified deficit.

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

The key measure of success is the number of units created. Our target is \$50,000 per unit.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language

Previous State Funding