

# NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY AND RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL

## WEBINAR

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# Welcoming Remarks

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# AGENDA

1. Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
2. Right of First Refusal (ROFR) Request for Qualifications
3. ROFR Preservation Fund

\* Please feel free to submit comments and questions into the chat box and we will address them at the end of the webinar as time permits and/ or follow up via email.

# NOFA – Multifamily Rental Housing

Available Resources to support the acquisition/rehabilitation or new construction of affordable and workforce multifamily rental housing:

- HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Funds
- Housing Investment Trust Fund (HITF)
- Payment in lieu of Taxes (PILOT)

# Funding Considerations

- Subordinate debt, gap financing up to \$2,000,000
- PILOTs reviewed on a project-by-project basis based on financial viability
- DHCD will determine the appropriate source of County funding
- Priority given to applicants seeking 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) in the upcoming 2022 MD CDA round
- 4% LIHTC applicants will be considered based on funding priorities and available resources

# Funding Priorities

- Located within one mile of the Blue Line or Purple Line Transit Corridor
- Located within one mile of the Branch Avenue, Largo Town Center, New Carrollton, Prince George's Plaza or Suitland Metro Stations
- Conformance with housing priorities and guidance in the Prince George's County 2035 Adopted General Plan
- Mixed-use, Mixed-income affordable/workforce housing
- Projects that include sustainable design, energy efficiency and green design standards

# NOFA Schedule

NOFA Published: November 30, 2021

Pre-proposal Conference: December 15, 2021 at 2:00pm

Application Submission Deadline: January 31, 2022

Award Notifications: March 1, 2022

The NOFA and Application requirements are available on DHCD's website:

<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1061/Public-Notices>

Questions: Contact Pamela Wilson, Housing Development Program Manager,

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# Right of First Refusal (ROFR) Program

1. Brief ROFR Program Overview
2. ROFR Respondents – Request for Qualifications (RFQ)
3. ROFR Preservation Fund



# ROFR Program Overview

- County Council Bill 27-2013 (Conversion of Rental Housing) created the ROFR Program.
- ROFR Program is overseen and implemented by DHCD and detailed in County Code 13-1110 et. seq.
- DHCD is authorized under the Code to exercise its ROFR rights and purchase covered properties (or assign its rights to purchase the property to a third-party) in accordance with the timeframes and terms of the Code.
- DHCD has created a programmatic structure to systematically evaluate contracts of sale which are provided to the County under the ROFR Program.

## ROFR Program Overview, continued

- Since program re-launch in December 2020, 34 properties have been evaluated under ROFR program, and 17 RFPs issued to ROFR Developers.
- One property (Hamilton Manor in Hyattsville) was assigned to a ROFR Developer and was successfully purchased in August 2021.
- One property (Doewood/Woodhaven Apartments in Capitol Heights) received County approval for waiver of ROFR process by agreeing to affordability of units via an Affordability Covenant.

# ROFR Respondents – Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Purpose: DHCD wishes to expand the current ROFR Roster of Responders

- Current Roster consists of 15 pre-qualified developers

Seeking responses from qualified non-profit and mission-oriented for-profit developers:

- Strong affordable rental housing track record
- Demonstrated experience in acquiring, owning, operating, rehabilitating and developing quality rental housing with affordability covenants

Current Roster of 15 developers do not need to re-submit their qualifications.

# ROFR Respondents' Responsibilities

- Maintain familiarity with the terms and conditions of the Prince George's County Code that governs ROFR; Section 13-1110 et. seq.
- Review of ROFR offer packages submitted to DHCD by sellers of multifamily housing projects with 20 or more units to determine interest
- Evaluate, perform due diligence, secure financing and close on the purchase within the timeframes specified by the County ROFR Code and Regulations
- Work with DHCD to evaluate rent levels in accordance with County priorities and initiatives
- Provide feedback with regard to program design and implementation

# ROFR Respondents - RFQ Schedule

RFQ Published: November 30, 2021

Qualification Submission Deadline: January 31, 2022

Notifications: March 1, 2022

The RFQ is available on DHCD's website:

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# ROFR Preservation Fund

- DHCD has set aside \$15 million (\$5 million per year for 3 years) to capitalize a ROFR Preservation Fund to provide targeted, flexible financing to ROFR Developers that acquire a property under the ROFR Program.
- The ROFR Preservation Fund launches December 1, 2021
- DHCD will notify ROFR Developers when a property qualifies for ROFR Preservation Fund support.
- Term Sheet describing the ROFR Preservation Fund is available on the ROFR Program website at:
  - [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/984/Apartment-Multifamily-Rental-Owners](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/984/Apartment-Multifamily-Rental-Owners)



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Q & A



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**THANK YOU!**