GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)

Housing Solutions Committee Meeting Summary

Date: Monday, July 27, 2020

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Conference Call

Agenda:

1. D.C. Government Agency and Budget Updates

2. Updates on Committee Task Groups

Meeting Summary:

1. DC Government Agency Updates

DHCD

- Budget updates:
 - o 2021 FY budget includes \$104M for HPTF; Council added additional \$4 mil
 - o Preservation Fund \$1.8M
 - Home Purchase Assistance Project (HPAP) funding remains at level Mayor requested - just under \$20M
 - In process of working w/ HUD to leverage some of community development block grant (CDBG) as Section 108 funds; would provide additional capital for development projects
 - \$5M of CDBG allocated to repayment of funds on annualized basis
- Working with DHS to broaden impact of federally funded rent assistance programs
- HUD funded tenant based rental assistance for residents in small buildings (naturally occurring and affordable housing sites)
- 10 new projects selected from 2019 consolidated RFP
 - o 3 preservation projects, 2 preservation + production projects, 5 new production projects
 - o Total of 944 units spread between Wards 1, 4, 6 and 8
 - 98 units of PSH
 - 731 units at 50% MFI or below
 - 233 LRSP
 - Numbers will be reflected in updated PSH pipeline report to be circulated later this week; this RFP allowed for LRSP vouchers to be used for non PSH units

DCHA

- Budget updates:
 - o Receiving additional funding on tenant and project-based voucher side
 - o \$50M in capital budget to address repairs to DCHA public housing complexes

- Can provide additional information once they have specific allocations for target populations (returning citizens, PSH, and PSH production)
- Continuing to refine and update operations to meet needs of residents; transitioned to virtual inspection on voucher side

DHS

- Budget updates:
 - No reductions from proposed budget
 - o Number of enhancements, including 150 new PSH vouchers (100 for individuals, 50 for families) as well as 60 TAH vouchers for families
 - \$23M of CARES ESG funding to go towards FRSP and emergency shelter (\$20M on FRSP, \$3M on hotels)
- Working with DCHA to prioritize and expedite PEP-V individuals for housing placements
- No shift or update in operations since last meeting; monitoring re-opening metrics
- DHS Covid update calls now every-other Friday afternoon, information from past calls is here

2. <u>Updates on Committee Task Group – PSH Mapping Group</u>

- Tasked w/ mapping PSH development to find redundancies and inefficiencies; seeking to improve and streamline process
- Group has created scope of work; timeline for recommendation to council between Jan Feb 2021
 - o Contact Shellon Frasier (shellon.fraser@csh.org) for more information

NEXT MEETING WILL BE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020 AT 2PM.