



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

HOUSING SOLUTIONS COMMITTEE NOTES

<b>Meeting Details</b>	<b>Date:</b> June 21 2021	<b>Time:</b> 2 – 3:00 PM	<b>Location:</b> WebEx
<b>Participant List</b>	List included below on pg 2 after the Agenda and Meeting Notes.		

**Agenda and Meeting Notes**

**I. Welcome & Call to Order**

**II. For Discussion**

Key components of DHCD, DCHA, and DHS budget were presented. Presentations were led by the Director of DHCD and representatives from DCHA and DHS.

Director Polly Donaldson (Department of Housing and Community Development, DHCD) shared the agency’s FY22 budget and vision. DHCD is seeking to expand affordability by investing in the Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF) and the Local Rent Supplement Program (LRSP); program enhancements to the LRSP program would enable LRSP vouchers to be administered more efficiently and w/ greater transparency (see PowerPoint slides attached). Meeting participants identified following feedback/questions/concerns:

- Number of deeply affordable units funded in FY20 and percentage increase in the FY21-22 budget. Director Donaldson referred meeting attendees to the [HPTF’s website](#) for info on unit numbers.
- Allocation of funds. Director Donaldson explained that the agency will create a Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) and promised to share the QAP as soon as it is available.
- Inclusion of PSH+ and site-based regular PSH as part of the Consolidated RFP

Hammere Gebreyes (District of Columbia Housing Authority, DHCA) presented on DCHA’s FY22 summary shifts and adjustments as well as the capital fund proposed budget (see PowerPoint slides attached).

Feedback/questions/concerns from meeting attendees include:

- If the \$2.8M from existing obligations will cover administrative costs and/or the nonprofit equity law that Council passed in 2020

Tania Mortensen (Department of Human Services, DHS) identified 6 “Pillars of Growth and Recovery” before detailing key investments in rental assistance (including STAY DC) and prevention of homelessness, economic mobility for families, and ending homelessness for single adults (see PowerPoint slides attached). Meeting attendees had the following feedback/questions/concerns:

- Availability of LRSP vouchers, and if vouchers for site-based projects are already in the pipeline
- Level of investments in the family subsystem and PSH investment, given number of single adults experiencing homelessness is proportionately higher than families
- Information on “shallow subsidy” program
- Request to delineate between federally funded vs locally funded programs/ initiatives
- Clarification on short term family site converted to singles and/or repurposed to other uses (e.g., PSH)
- Request to clarify budget related to Youth Transition Housing; question if program is being defunded

**III. Adjournment**

Decisions & Action Items	
N/A	

Next Meeting		
<b>Date:</b> July 19, 2021 (to be confirmed)	<b>Time:</b> 2 - 3:00 PM	<b>Location:</b> WebEx

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