

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY



Housing incentive fund - The Legislative Assembly in 2011 Senate Bill No. 2210 created a special revolving housing incentive fund, provided a continuing appropriation to the Housing Finance Agency for disbursements from the fund, and authorized a tax credit for income and financial institution tax purposes for contributions to the fund, not to exceed an aggregate amount of \$4 million per biennium for all eligible contributors. Senate Bill No. 2371 approved during the 2011 special legislative session increased the aggregate tax credit to \$15 million per biennium.

The Legislative Assembly in 2013 Senate Bill No. 2014 provided for a one-time transfer of \$15.4 million from the general fund to the housing incentive fund. The bill amended North Dakota Century Code Section 57-38-01.32 to continue the housing incentive fund tax credit through the first two taxable years after December 31, 2012, and to increase the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed to all eligible contributors from \$15 million to \$20 million per biennium. Similar provisions are also included in 2013 House Bill No. 1029.

In June 2013, the Housing Finance Agency awarded \$20.4 million to 18 projects, which will provide 494 housing units. Of the 494 housing units, 160 units are for essential service workers, and 168 units are for low-income households.

In September 2013, the Housing Finance Agency awarded \$16.5 million to 16 projects, which will provide 440 housing units. The \$16.5 million includes an award of \$1.5 million that was reallocated due to a project in Mandan being discontinued. Of the 440 housing units, 60 units are for essential service workers, and 313 units are for low-income households.

As of December 2013, the Housing Finance Agency received \$20 million for contributions to the Housing Incentive Fund, resulting in a corresponding reduction to general fund revenue.

The funds are expended as projects are completed. Of the \$35.4 million provided by the Legislative Assembly for the 2013-15 biennium, all of the funds have been awarded, and approximately \$6.2 million has been expended through April 15, 2014.