GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Department of Housing and Community Development



What's Notable in the Summer 2010 HOME CHDO RFP ROUND?

- ➤ The Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) is making HOME CHDO Development Funds available for affordable housing development. Funds must be leveraged with other private funds by developers committed to creating affordable housing. Note that DHCD, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to fund projects received in this solicitation from non-HOME funding sources as it deems appropriate.
- ➤ All applications must establish that the respondent has full site control and zoning in hand at time of application submission.
- ➤ Due to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations, if an applicant submits a project sponsored by a partnership between an eligible CHDO and another for-profit/non-profit entity, the CHDO <u>must</u> have at least 51% ownership and controlling interest in the proposed project, or the proposal will be deemed ineligible.
- ➤ CHDOs planning to submit a proposal in this RFP must ensure that they are correctly certified with DHCD by the August 20th RFP closing date. If a CHDO has allowed its certification to lapse, it has until the August 20th RFP project submission deadline to re-certify with DHCD in order to be eligible for this RFP, and the executed CHDO recertification letter <u>must</u> be submitted in the funding application.
- ➤ CHDOs with projects that are selected in this solicitation will also be eligible to receive HOME CHDO Operating Funds from DHCD.
- ➤ HOME CHDO applications have to adhere to Green Communities Criteria 2008 as outlined in the Qualified Action Plan and the RFP guidelines and evidence of this compliance is required at the time of application.
- Note that the use of the HOME CHDO funds triggers both Federal and District regulations, i.e., Davis Bacon and related acts; Section 3; environmental reviews, etc. See Table 5 in the Request for Proposals for additional information.

- All completed applications are due **August 20, 2010** by 4:00 pm Eastern Daylight Savings Time.
- All applications returned to DHCD must be returned on <u>one</u> (1) formatted CD with all of its contents/documents remaining in the original format as released by DHCD; i.e., Completed spreadsheets in Excel have to remain in Excel and Word documents have to be in Word format on the applicant's CD. Additionally, only <u>one</u> (1) binder with all of the contents of the CD is also required by DHCD.
- > <u>NOTE</u>: DHCD, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to retract, rescind, cancel or terminate this Request for Proposals. Also, DHCD, in its sole discretion, reserves the right not to select any response to this RFP if it is determined that any and/or all of the responses do not fulfill the mission of the District of Columbia and DHCD.