

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
Substantial Amendment to the 2021 Action Plan -- HOME Investment Partnerships Program**

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Between April 1, 2021 and February 28, 2022, the Department of Housing and Community Development received \$859,741.95 in HOME loan payments from approximately eleven HOME-funded portfolio development projects. This HOME Program Income was collected similarly to the \$50,000.00 received between February 1, 2021 and March 31, 2021 that is referenced in the 2021 Action Plan.

Despite the pandemic, DHCD's rental development pipeline has been moving along well. DHCD anticipates committing all of its 2021 allocation funds available for non-CHDO Reserve activities and previously referenced HOME Program Income to new HOME rental development activities by the end of the 2021 Action Plan year. As with the prior receipt of HOME Program Income, DHCD intends to make this additional HOME Program Income available for commitment to new HOME rental development activities. The need for affordable rental housing units has only intensified during the pandemic. This additional HOME Program Income will leverage at least 11 additional HOME-assisted rental development units and will provide additional funding until the FY22 federal HOME appropriation is signed into law and the 2022 Annual Action Plan is submitted to and approved by HUD.

Amendment to the 2021 Action Plan HOME Budget:

Funding Category	Budget Amount
Rental Development	Increased by \$859,741.95 from HOME Program Income
Administration	n/a (We plan to program the full amount to new rental development activities.)
TOTAL	\$859,741.95 in HOME Program Income added to the current 2021 Action Plan

DHCD has published this document on its website on March 31, 2022 and has provided notice of its posting through both the 'News' section of the website and the Housing Development division listServ. DHCD is utilizing a 30-day public comment period for this Substantial Amendment to the 2021 Action Plan.

Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

- Written comments via email to Rebecca Frawley Wachtel at: Rebecca.frawley@mass.gov
- By telephone: contact 617.573.1318 and leave a clear message with a phone number for a prompt return call.

Comments will be accepted until April 29, 2022 at 2pm.