

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The State of Oregon through Oregon Housing and Community Services are seeking public comments for our priorities for Low Income Housing Tax Credit programs in Oregon:

### Proposed 2019 Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP)

The Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program was created under the Tax Reform Act of 1986. The LIHTC program is jointly administered by the United States Treasury Department Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and state tax credit allocation agencies, such as the Oregon Housing and Community Services Department (OHCS). While the IRS establishes a wide array of LIHTC program parameters and requirements, each tax credit allocation agency must create its own QAP to establish detailed policies on how the state allocates and executes LIHTC in projects. The IRS establishes, in its Section 42 federal tax credit regulations, the criteria that must be addressed and included within a QAP.

The QAP is therefore the required plan document which establishes program criteria for the state's Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) programs. It is responsive to specific requirements established by the IRS for these programs, and includes guidance for both the competitive 9% LIHTC Program as well as the 4% LIHTC Program.

All Oregon residents are invited to submit comments during the 30-day public comment period beginning **September 6, 2019 and ending October 7, 2019**. Written comments may be submitted to Oregon Housing and Community Services; attention Tai Dunson-Strane, 725 Summer Street NE, Suite B, Salem, OR 97301-1266, or by e-mail at [HCS.QAP@oregon.gov](mailto:HCS.QAP@oregon.gov). Verbal comments may be submitted to Tai Dunson-Strane at 503-986-0963. **Comments are due no later than Monday, October 7th, 2019 at 5 pm.**

A copy of the Proposed 2019 QAP, and attachments, are available at Oregon Housing and Community Services at <https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/Pages/outreach-qap-qualified-allocation-plan.aspx>, or visit 725 Summer Street NE, Ste. 200, Salem, OR.

People who are deaf or hearing-impaired may use the TTY by calling 503-986-2100, or the 711/Oregon Relay Service. People needing copies in other languages or other accommodation should contact the OHCS Business Services Office at 503-986-2000 at their earliest convenience.

Las personas sordas o con impedimentos auditivos pueden usar un TTY llamando al 503-986-2100, o al servicio de relevos 711/Oregon. Las personas que necesitan copias en otros idiomas u otro acomodación deben comunicarse con la oficina de Servicios de Negocios referido en ingles como **OHCS Business Services Office** al 503-400-2787 a la brevedad posible.

Questions, concerns, or requests for information in alternative formats from individuals with disabilities must be submitted to Tai Dunson-Strane before **September 30, 2019**.

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