

TDHCA Notices of Funding Availability TDHCA makes program funds available throughout the year to qualifying applicants for a wide range of housing and related activities. The Department announces these funding opportunities through Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) posted on the Department's website and distributed via the Department's email lists. TDHCA programs that have current NOFAs open include the Amy Young Barrier Removal Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and the Multifamily Direct Loan Program.

To learn more about current TDHCA NOFAs, visit <u>https://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/nofa.htm</u>

Foster Youth Initiative (FYI)

HUD announced the Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) initiative, through the issuance of <u>Notice PIH 2019-20</u>. Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) partnering with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs) may request Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) in the form of Tenant Protection Vouchers (TPVs) to assist eligible youth for a period of 36 months, subject to availability.

Eligible youth must meet the following conditions:

- 1. Has attained at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age;
- 2. Left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act at age 16 or older; and
- 3. Is homeless or is at risk of becoming homeless.

Eligibility is not limited to single persons. For example, pregnant and/or parenting youth are eligible to receive assistance under this notice assuming they otherwise meet eligibility requirements.

PHAs are eligible if they currently administer the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program and do not administer the Family Unification Program (FUP). PHAs that administer the FUP, awarded any year, are not eligible to administer assistance under FYI TPV. A list of PHAs that administer the HCV program and do not administer FUP is <u>available here</u>. For additional information on PHA eligibility requirements, please review the Notice. HUD will accept PHA requests for FYI Tenant Protection Vouchers (TVPs) on a rolling basis.

Read the one-pager <u>here</u>.

Read the full notice <u>here</u> .



The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) will invest \$22 million in services to provide familysustaining employment to veterans. Eligible applicants are state, local, and tribal governments, public and private institutions of higher learning, for-profit commercial entities, and faith-based organizations.

Application Deadline: April 27, 2020

Learn more <u>here</u>

Homeless Female Veterans' and Veterans' with Families Program (HFVVWF)

The purpose of this program is to provide services to reintegrate homeless veterans into the labor force by placing them into family-sustaining employment and to stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans. DOL defines family-sustaining employment as paid employment, in line with the homeless veteran's aspirations, talents, and abilities. Ideally, the employment should provide a family-sustaining wage or, in other words, at least the minimum income necessary for a worker to meet his or her basic financial needs.

Application Deadline: Monday, April 27, 2020

Learn more <u>here</u>

Research on Housing Policies That Promote Equity

RWJF's <u>Policies for Action</u> program seeks research proposals to investigate how public policy can put quality, affordable housing within reach and help achieve racial equity in housing and neighborhoods. Researchers will be paired with government, private sector, and nonprofit housing organizations to explore the effectiveness of public policies aimed at increasing housing access, affordability and stability. We are particularly interested in studying policies in small- and medium-sized cities (populations of 50,000 - 500,000).

Approximately \$2 million in funding is available.

Application Deadline: Wed, 29 Apr 2020

Are you eligible? Learn more.



The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will make 160 awards of up to \$50,000 to support repair and rehabilitation of homes in low-income rural areas. Eligible applicants are local public agencies and private nonprofit organizations.

Application Deadline: Thursday, May 7, 2020

Learn more <u>here</u>

Office for Victims of Crime (OCV) FY 2020 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

The purpose of this program is to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking. Apply under the following three purpose areas (PAs). PA 1: up to 10 awards of up to \$350,000 each will be made to support organizations that have limited or no prior experience in serving victims of human trafficking. PA 2: up to 10 awards of up to \$750,000 each will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing a range of services to victims of human trafficking. PA 3: up to 10 awards of up to \$550,000 each will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing a specialized service to victims of human trafficking. OVC expects to make awards for a 36-month period of performance, to begin on October 1, 2020. OVC will conduct a pre-application webinar on April 2, 2020, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Apply by May 18, 2020

Register <u>here</u>.

Planning and Capacity Building Fund (PCB)

The Planning and Capacity Building Fund is a competitive grant program through the Texas Department of Agriculture for local public facility and housing planning activities.

Applications are due Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 5:00 PM CT.

Learn more <u>here</u>

Texas Housing Trust Fund (HTF) for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021



The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the Department) announces \$6,430,382.52 from the Texas Housing Trust Fund (HTF) for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 of the Texas Bootstrap Loan Program. The Texas Bootstrap Loan Program is funded through the Housing Trust Fund and established in Texas Government Code, §2306 Subchapter FF, Owner-Builder Loan Program, to provide very low-income households (Owner-Builders) an opportunity to purchase or refinance real property on which to build new housing or repair their existing homes through sweat-equity.

The funding will be available beginning Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. Austin local time through an online reservation system for eligible Nonprofit Owner-Builder Housing Providers (NOHPs) and Colonia Self-Help Centers (CSHCs) to reserve funds on behalf of eligible Owner-Builders.

The Texas Bootstrap Loan Program provides 0% interest loans of up to \$45,000 to Owner-Builders who provide at least 65% of the labor necessary to build or rehabilitate their housing by working with a state-certified NOHP or CSHC. Owner-builder's household income may not exceed 60% of Area Median Family Income.

Eligible nonprofit organizations and CSHCs must first apply to become certified NOHPs in order to administer the Texas Bootstrap Loan Program. To be able to reserve Program funds on behalf of an Owner-Builder, the entities must execute a Reservation System Agreement with the Department.

For more information, go to the homepage.

For the NOFA, go <u>here</u>.

Monday, August 31, 2020: Applications for funding under FY 2020 will be accepted until this date, or until all funding has been reserved