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Illinois Housing Development Authority Invites Public to Help Shape Illinois' Affordable Housing Priorities

CHICAGO – The Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) is calling on community members and leaders, housing advocates, and development professionals across Illinois to participate in the development of its 2027–2028 [Qualified Allocation Plan](#) (QAP). The QAP governs how IHDA allocates Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) throughout the state. Through a public survey and two upcoming summit meetings, IHDA is seeking meaningful input to guide its housing investments and policy decisions for the next two years.

“Community input is essential to ensure the affordable housing we finance reflects the real needs of Illinois families and the neighborhoods they reside in,” **said IHDA Executive Director Kristin Faust**. “The QAP shapes where and how affordable housing is created and preserved across our state. We encourage our housing stakeholders and partners alike to share their perspectives to help us build a stronger, more equitable Illinois because access to affordable housing is a human right.”

LIHTC was created with the passage of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 ([P.L. 99-514](#)) and is the nation’s primary public-private policy tool for the development of affordable multifamily rental housing. As an allocating agency, IHDA is required to publish a QAP that details how it intends to award the tax credits annually. Through its QAP, IHDA lists the criteria it considers in evaluating affordable housing proposals and the development teams applying for LIHTC.

QAP Survey

IHDA is asking the public’s opinion on recommendations and allocation priorities to be considered in its upcoming 2027-2028 QAP. Responses to the survey are anonymous and may be completed today through Tuesday, March 31. Please [click here](#) to take the survey.

QAP Summit Meetings

Additionally, IHDA will host two summit meetings to discuss the 2027-2028 QAP. IHDA staff will attend both summits to engage in a conversation about proposed changes for the

plan. Both summits will be held as hybrid meetings and individuals are encouraged to join either in person or remotely. All attendees must register in advance, whether joining in person or virtually. Summits will last between one to two hours. Meeting information and registration details are included below:

- **Springfield Summit:** Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
 - Location: INB, 425 S. 4th Street, Springfield, IL 62701
 - Registration link (mandatory): [IHDA 2027-2028 QAP: Springfield Summit](#)
- **Chicago Summit:** Friday, March 20, 2026, 1:00 p.m.
 - Location: IHDA, 111 E. Wacker Drive, 11th Floor, Chicago, IL 60601
 - Registration link (mandatory): [IHDA 2027-2028 QAP: Chicago Summit](#)

Over the past five years, LIHTC has generated more than \$2.5 billion in private capital to aid in the creation or preservation of 17,800 much-needed affordable housing units throughout Illinois.

If you have any additional questions or comments, please reach out to QAPFeedback@ihda.org.

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About the Illinois Housing Development Authority

IHDA is a self-supporting and mission-driven state agency dedicated to financing the creation and preservation of affordable housing in Illinois. IHDA offers affordable mortgages and down payment assistance for homebuyers, provides financing for the development of affordable rental housing, and manages a variety of assistance programs to create communities where all Illinoisans can live, work, and thrive. Since it was established in 1967, IHDA has delivered more than \$29 billion in state, federal, and leveraged financing to make possible the purchase, development, or rehabilitation of 335,750 homes and apartments for low- and middle-income households. For more information on IHDA programs, visit www.ihda.org.