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House Proposed HUD FY2021 Appropriations Bill As of 7/7/2020

Thanks to the hard work of many affordable housing advocates, the House subcommittee handling HUD appropriations proposed adding \$1.5 billion for FY2021. The increased allocations would allow nearly every HUD program to either maintain or increase funding levels:

- **Public Housing Capital Fund:** \$3.18 billion, \$310 million increase
- **Public Housing Operating Fund:** \$4.649 billion, \$100 million increase
- **Choice Neighborhoods:** \$250 million, \$75 million increase
- **Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Renewals:** \$22.852 billion, \$1.35 billion increase
- **Ongoing Administrative Fees:** \$2.125 billion, \$178 million increase
- **Self-Sufficiency Programs:** \$155 million, \$25 million increase (FSS: \$105 million; ROSS: \$35 million; and Jobs Plus: \$15 million)
- **Section 8 Project-Based Rental Assistance:** \$13.451 billion, \$881 million increase
- **Community Development Block Grant:** \$3.525 billion, \$100 million increase
- **HOME Investment Partnerships:** \$1.7 billion, \$350 million increase
- **Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS:** \$430 million, \$20 million increase
- **Homeless Assistance Grants:** \$3.415 billion, \$638 million increase
- **Native American Programs:** \$835 million, \$10 million increase

Proposed Stimulus Highlights Included in THUD Committee FY2021 HUD Funding Package:

- **Public Housing Capital Fund:** \$24.25 billion
- **Choice Neighborhoods:** \$300 million
- **Capital Improvements to Section 8 Project-Based Rental Assistance:** \$750 million
- **Community Development Block Grant:** \$4 billion
- **HOME Investment Partnerships:** \$17.5 billion
- **Native American Programs:** \$1 billion
- **Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant:** \$20 million

The above stimulus proposals are separate from the housing and community development resources contained in the Moving Forward Act (HR 2) that the House approved last week or the housing-related portion of the HEROES Act that the House also approved last week in the form of the Emergency Housing Protections and Relief Act of 2020 (HR 7301).

Next Steps

After the THUD Appropriations Subcommittee marks up the proposed bill on 7/8, the full House Appropriations Committee will consider the THUD bill next week, with the full House scheduled to vote on it by the end of the month. The Senate postponed consideration of its appropriations bills when Democrats announced that they would offer amendments to include stimulus funding in FY2021 bills, much like the House bills. Senate Appropriations Chairman Richard Shelby (R-Ala.) has put a hold on all of the House housing-related bills, which does not bode well for their approval. Even if Chairman Shelby relents, it is unlikely the HUD spending bill will be completed prior to the beginning of the fiscal year on October 1, meaning that Congress will likely have to approve a Continuing Resolution to continue current spending levels until after the election. Depending on the election results, it is possible that Congress may postpone action on the FY2021 spending bill until well into the 2021 calendar year.