State Updates

Profound: Guidance for Mayer on Unified Housing Planning

On January 14, Governor Baker signed the $45.6 billion economic stimulus plan that included critical zoning and development provisions. The governor later issued an emergency rental assistance program to help house security foreclosures. On January 28, the Massachusetts District Court issued a preliminary order that required the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to examine the effects of rescinding the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) rule.

Recent Research

EPIR: 2021, and Other Issues Emergency Rental Assistance Research Brief

On January 29, the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC), NYU, and Penn issued Emergency Rental Assistance Research Brief, which recommended that Congress should provide $25 billion for emergency rental assistance and $1 billion for emergency rental assistance. The proposal also includes $1 billion for emergency rental assistance, which increased the CED's ability to implement the extension.

Local Updates

DHCD Raises AHVP Ceiling Rents

On January 14, Governor Baker signed the Economic Development (DHCD) issued preliminary guidance for MBTA communities regarding compliance with the new law requiring by-right multifamily zoning.

Federal Updates

President Biden Releases Report on Population

On January 14, President Biden signed a presidential proposal that included cuts to many affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and other federal programs. The proposal includes cuts to the Affordable Housing Fund, which increased the CED's ability to implement the extension.

Recent Updates

President Biden Signs Executive Order Directing

On January 19, President Biden signed an executive order on the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), directing the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to examine the effects of rescinding the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) rule.

Recent News

On January 15, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an Order extending the federal eviction and foreclosure moratorium.

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Recent News

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