

HOUSING RELATED COVID-19 FEDERAL RELIEF FUNDS FOR MASSACHUSETTS

Federal Relief Funding Program	Description	Federal Funding Approved	Distribution Process	Funding Coming to Massachusetts
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	Funding for communities & states to provide a wide range of resources to address COVID-19, including housing, homelessness, and community & economic development issues	\$ 5 billion	<p>Initial Distribution: \$2B direct allocation to states & local gov'ts thru regular formula, to be distributed within 30 days.</p> <p>New Formula: \$1B to states based on new HUD formula (public health needs, risk of transmission, number of COVID-19 cases compared to national average, economic & housing market disruptions, & other factors). States will allocate the funds to entitlement/non-entitlement communities. HUD must allocate the funds within 30 days.</p> <p>Rolling Allocations: \$2B to be allocated directly to states & local gov'ts via new HUD formula (prioritizing risk of transmission, number of COVID-19 cases compared to the national average, & economic & housing market disruption). Funds will be used to cover/reimburse allowable costs incurred by a state/locality regardless. Allocations will be made on a rolling basis.</p>	<p>Initial Distribution: \$60.7 million (\$20.4M to state; \$40.3M to entitlement communities)</p> <p>New Formula: TBD</p> <p>Rolling Allocations: TBD</p>

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Homeless Assistance / Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) DHCD Info Link	Funds for state & local governments to address coronavirus response for individuals & families experiencing homelessness	\$ 4 billion	<p>Phase 1: \$1B allocated thru regular formula to all grantees that received funding in FY20. HUD must allocate the funds within 30 days of enactment of the bill.</p> <p>Phase 2: \$3B allocated to states & local gov'ts with greatest need via new HUD formula (based on risk of transmission, high numbers or rates of sheltered homeless, & economic market conditions). Very low-income individuals & families (50% or less of AMI) at risk of homelessness are eligible for homelessness prevention assistance. HUD must allocate the funds within 90 days.</p>	<p>Phase 1: \$30.4 million (\$16.4 to DHCD; \$14M to entitlement communities)</p> <p>DHCD will distribute its funds via a NOFA</p> <p>Phase 2: TBD</p>
Tenant Based Rental Assistance DHCD Info Link	Funds to preserve Housing Choice Voucher rental program as voucher holders experience income loss	\$ 1.25 billion	<p>Distributed based on need, as determined by the HUD</p> <p>\$850M nationally to local housing authorities for administrative costs related to COVID-19.</p> <p>\$400M nationally for increased subsidy due to household income losses.</p>	<p>TBD – in MA, funds will be distributed directly to housing authorities & DHCD</p>
Public Housing Operating	Funds for Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) to make up for reduced tenant rent payments, as well as to help	\$ 685 million	Allocated to PHAs as additional FY2020 funding based on the operating funding formula	About \$14M allocated directly to PHAs

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DHCD Info Link	contain the spread of coronavirus in public housing properties			
Tribal Housing Programs	Funding to support Native American housing assistance programs	\$ 300 million		
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDs (HOPWA) DHCD Info Link	Support housing needs of low-income people living with HIV/AIDS thru grants to local communities, states, & nonprofits	\$ 65 million	Allocated via FY20 formula. Up to \$10 million to be used for one-time grants to permanent supportive housing providers, made proportionally to their existing grants	\$958,594 to MA \$50,913 to Dep't of Public Health; \$907,671 to Entitlement Communities (Boston, Cambridge, Springfield, Worcester)
Project-Based Rental Assistance DHCD Info Link	Funding will help support affordable housing developments to make up for reduced tenant payments as a result of coronavirus.	\$ 1 billion	Distributed to owners or sponsors of properties receiving project-based assistance. HUD is notifying project-based voucher administrators as funding becomes available.	About \$20M (direct to contract administrators)

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Housing for the Elderly (202) DHCD Info Link	Funds will help maintain housing stability & services for low-income seniors in 202 developments	\$ 50 million	Distributed directly to owners or sponsors of Section 202 properties	\$ 1 million
Housing for Persons with Disabilities (811) DHCD Info Link	Funds will help maintain housing for low-income persons w/ disabilities to make up for reduced tenant payments as a result of coronavirus	\$ 15 million	Distributed directly to owners or sponsors of Section 811 properties	TBD
Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity	Funding for additional fair housing enforcement	\$ 2.5 million		
Coronavirus Relief Fund	Funding for State, Local, and Tribal governments navigating the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak	\$ 150 billion	Distributed to each state w/ amount based on population; allocates direct assistance to local governments w/ 500,000+ population	\$ 2.673 billion (\$ 1.66B directly to state; \$ 1.07B local gov'ts w/ 500,000+ population)

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FEMA Disaster Relief Fund	Emergency recovery funds to help states respond to COVID-19	\$ 45 billion	In addition to support for states and municipalities, provides \$200 million to the Emergency Food and Shelter Program which provides shelter, food, and supportive services through local service organizations.	