Region 1 Presentation

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FY21 HUD Funding

- President's FY21 budget zeroed out funding for CDBG and HOME
- NCDA has worked with its allies in the CDBG Coalition and HOME Coalition to seek increased funding for CDBG and HOME in FY21
- We have been successful in our efforts

- Continuing Resolution (CR) through December 11
- House has passed all 12 spending bills
- House Transportation-HUD spending bill provides increased funding for HUD CPD programs
 - CDBG \$3.5 billion; \$100 million increase
 - HOME \$1.750 billion; \$350 million increase
 - Homeless Assistance Grants \$3.45
 billion; \$680 million increase

- House THUD bill also includes \$49 billion for economic recovery funding for HUD programs
 - \$4 billion for CDBG
 - \$17.5 billion for HOME
 - \$24 billion for Public Housing
 - \$300 million for Choice Neighborhoods
- Language blocking HUD from terminating the AFFH rule

- Senate Appropriations Committee released all 12 spending bills last week
- Senate Transportation-HUD spending bill provides increased funding for HUD CPD programs
 - CDBG formula funding \$3.425 billion;
 \$25 million increase
 - HOME formula funding \$1.375 billion;
 \$25 million increase
 - Homeless Assistance \$2.95 billion; \$18 million increase

Next steps:

- Senate needs to pass its 12 spending bills
- Conference of House and Senate bills
- President's sign-off

Coronavirus Relief

- House passed a coronavirus relief bill the HEROES Act – in May
- Includes more funding for CDBG, ESG, and other HUD programs and state and local government relief
 - \$5 billion for CDBG (allocated through the regular CDBG program formula)
 - \$11.5 billion for ESG
 - \$100 billion for emergency rental assistance
 - \$375 billion for state and local government fiscal relief

Coronavirus Relief

- Senate put forward a \$500 billion relief package on October 21 that failed to pass.
 - Targeted relief
 - No additional funding for HUD programs
- House and Senate remain divided on the cost of the measure
- Trump has shown no recent interest in supporting another coronavirus relief package

HOME Program Modernization

NCDA has been part of a working group of the HOME Coalition to develop recommendations for improving the HOME program

Recommendations include the following:

- Update the HOME authorized funding level
- Increase the program administrative cap to 15 percent
- Permanently eliminate the 24-month commitment deadline
- Establish a HOME Loan Guarantee Program
- Replace the CHDO set-aside with a non-profit aside and allow PJs to retain funding
 if unable to use the non-profit set-aside within two years

NCDA CDBG Racial Equity Working Group

- Composed of working group of NCDA members
- Developed recommendations for improving the CDBG program to better assist communities of color
- Statutory Recommendations:
 - Update the CDBG authorized funding level
 - Add fair housing as an eligible, independent program activity
 - Allow grantees to determine the public services cap
 - Support non-profits of color through TA and capacity building



- Online Training
 - Primer Courses: CDBG, Subrecipient Management, IDIS, HOME
 - Basic Courses: CDBG, Subrecipient Management, IDIS, HOME
- NCDA Webinars
 - CD/HOME Planning/Management Software
- New NCDA Forum
- Audrey Nelson National Community Development Awards: Due December 16

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PHGSYYT

- 2021 Virtual Winter Conference: January 27-29
- National Community Development Week: April 5-9, 2021
- Go to ncdaonline.org for more information

CDBG/HOME Stories of Impact

NCDA is collecting CDBG/HOME stories of impact

The stories will be used in our efforts to promote the programs with Congress and the new Administration

Please use the following link to share your story of impact by February 10:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CDBGHOMEImpact

