

Public Notice

The City of Houston (City), through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD), is developing Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Single Family Home Development Program Guidelines, which are being presented to the public for comments.

The CHDO Single Family Home Development Program Guidelines inform all interested stakeholders of the baseline requirements for participating in the CHDO Program when utilizing HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding. As a means of furthering the goal of expanding the capacity of nonprofit agencies, the HOME Program requires the City to reserve at least 15% of its HOME funding for CHDOs as a set aside requirement. The objective of the City's CHDO program is to expand affordable housing for Houstonians with an annual household income at or below 80% of the area median income.

HCDD is also responsible for administering the program and developing CHDO Single Family Home Development Program Guidelines in accordance with HUD regulations. The guidelines include: (1) certifying and recertifying that organizations meet the definition of a CHDO; (2) documenting each CHDOs development capacity each time it recommends funding for the organization; (3) expanding the capacity of CHDOs to develop and manage quality affordable housing; and (4) effectively utilizing available resources to provide more affordable housing choices.

These draft guidelines are available for review and public comment from Friday, November 30, 2018 through Sunday, December 30, 2018. Public comments may be submitted by email to: Kennisha.London@HoustonTX.gov or by mail to: HCDD, ATTN: Kennisha London, 601 Sawyer Street, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007. View the draft CHDO guidelines at:

- HCDD website – <http://HoustonTX.gov/Housing>
- Main Public Library – 500 McKinney, 77002
- HCDD Office – 601 Sawyer Street, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007 (copies may be obtained at this location upon request)

For specific questions or concerns about fair housing or landlord/tenant relations, please contact Yolanda Guess-Jeffries at (832) 394-6308.