Juneau Affordable Housing Fund Round 4

Informational Meeting

July 29, 2024

Welcome!

The meeting will start at 3pm

Please submit questions to:

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Juneau Affordable Housing Fund

The City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) created the Juneau Affordable Housing Fund (JAHF) to promote the creation of affordable housing in the Capital City.

The CBJ Assembly allocated \$4 million for use in a fourth competitive funding round for 2024



Program Goals and Objectives

- To direct resources toward the creation of affordable (0% to 80% Area Median Income (AMI)) and middle-income (80% to 120% AMI) housing units in the City and Borough of Juneau.
 - Funding capital costs of rental and ownership housing;
 - > Funding for capacity-building activities of non-profit housing developers;
 - Leveraging CBJ investments with other fund sources to maximize the number of quality affordable and middle-income housing units that are created or preserved



Availability of Funds & Funding Terms

> \$4 million is available in the current funding round

Qualifying projects are eligible for grants and loans <u>up to \$50,000</u> per affordable or middle-income housing unit created, or for other eligible uses on a similar per unit basis

For profit-developer projects utilizing JAHF funds for middleincome housing <u>must</u> reserve at least 20% of units for tenants with gross incomes at 80% or less AMI for at least ten years <u>or</u> the life of the loan



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Eligible Applicants

- Non-profit organizations
- > Tribal governments
- > Public and regional housing authorities
- For-profit developers



Eligible Uses

For acquisition, construction, rehabilitation or preservation of affordable or middle-income housing

Costs incurred by nonprofit organizations to develop or implement a specific affordable housing project



Priorities

> Use of capital to develop housing units

- Long-term affordability
- > Downtown housing development



Application Process

- > July 15, 2024: JAHF Program Guidelines and application Posted; application period begins
- > July 29, 2024: Public Information Meeting @ 3:00pm AKDT
- > August 23, 2024: Housing Project Proposals Due at 4:30 pm AKDT; late submissions not accepted
- September 16, 2024 October 7, 2024: Committee Review and Project Ranking
- > November 4, 2024: Committee Report to Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee
- > December 2024: Introduction of ordinances for grant/loan awards at the Committee of the Whole
- > January 2025: Assembly approval of grant/loan ordinances
- January to April 2025 (tentatively): Staff works to put grant/loan agreements in place



Program Changes for Round 4

- Increase page limit on submittals to 30 pages or less, exclusive of official application form and required table of contents. This is up from 25 pages total.
- > Threshold review; requires applicants to be in financial good standing with the CBJ and adds a layer of review to ensure chosen project proposals are compliant with fire, engineering, building, and zoning codes.
- Requires a minimum of 20% of units to be affordable for those making 80% AMI or less; applications without this will not be accepted



Selection Criteria

- > Team Experience
- > Population Targeting & JAHF Priority Targeting
- > Project Design and Characteristics
- ➤ Feasibility
- > Readiness to Proceed

A sample score sheet for the review committee is included in Appendix C of the Program Guidelines



Compliance and Monitoring

- CBJ staff to work with awardees once grant/loan agreements are in place
- > Project information, rents, tenant income, etc., to be collected through the affordability period
- The CBJ City Manager may terminate any agreement in an event the project doesn't proceed or fails to abide by terms of the program
- > Note: The JAHF program is a public process



For more information

For additional information or to apply please visit:

juneau.org/community-development/grants-juneau-affordable-housing-fund

Application deadline is August 23, 2024 by 4:30pm AKDT

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