



Sonoma County Community Development Commission
141 Stony Circle, Suite 210, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA)

Issue Date: September 10, 2025

Application Due Date: October 30, 2025, 5:00 pm

The Sonoma County Community Development Commission (Commission) is pleased to request applications from eligible organizations for eligible affordable housing projects:

Fund Source: PLHA

Amount Available: \$840,284

All applications and supporting documentation must be submitted through Neighborly, the online application portal. A link will be provided to all interested applicants following a mandatory technical assistance (TA) session. The application materials include the Commission Loan Policies and PLHA Final Guidelines. Please review these materials carefully for important information about project eligibility and application procedures.

PLHA Funds

Eligible Uses:

- Acquisition, preservation, development, and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing
- Permanent supportive housing and housing serving special needs populations
- Affordable rental units serving households earning up to 50% Area Median Income (AMI)
- Affordable Owner-Occupied Workforce Housing (AOWH) serving households earning up to 120% AMI

Only projects located outside the city limits of Petaluma and Santa Rosa are eligible for funding. Preference will be given to AOWH projects and eligible projects that are ready to proceed towards construction.

Attendance at the TA session is mandatory for all applicants. There is one scheduled TA session, and applicants must attend to submit an application. If you are unable to attend the TA session, please contact Commission staff as soon as possible to discuss an alternative that will satisfy the mandatory attendance requirement. The session will cover information about funding, eligible activities, and other project requirements and Commission staff will be available to answer questions.



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The TA session will be held virtually on **Thursday, September 25, 2025, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.**

Meeting will be held virtually:

Passcode: 536208

Webinar ID: 849 3159 6886

Telephone: 1-669-444-9171

<https://sonomacounty.zoom.us/j/84931596886?pwd=gzOpH1sHkX9WMNwk0WqCBAUI8n6B20.1>

Key Dates	Description
Wednesday, September 10, 2025	NOFA publication.
Thursday, September 25, 2025	All interested applicants must attend the technical assistance session hosted by the Commission. This is a mandatory requirement prior to application submittal.
Thursday, October 30, 2025, 5:00 p.m.	Applications are due to the Commission via Neighborly, no later than 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17, 2025, 10:00 a.m.	Community Development (CD) Committee meeting to make funding recommendations. The committee may provide comments and ask clarifying questions of applicants. All applicants must attend (in-person or virtually) to be considered for funding.
Tuesday, January 6, 2026 (date subject to change)	Board of Supervisors to consider PLHA funding recommendations.

Application Due Date

All funding applications must be submitted by **5:00 p.m. on October 30, 2025**. Only applications submitted through the Commission's online portal will be accepted. Any funding applications submitted after the deadline will be deemed ineligible.

Funding Priorities

The PLHA program follows the PLHA Final Guidelines and Commission Loan Policies.

The loan policies guide the allocation process for these funds. Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to review the policies prior to application submittal. The

Commission policies can be viewed on this web page:

<https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/development-services/community-development-commission/plans-policies-and-reports>

The PLHA Final Guidelines can be viewed on this web page: <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/docs/plha-final-guidelines-11-19.pdf>

The Commission will recommend funding awards to the most competitive proposals that adhere to the PLHA program guidelines and the Commission's loan policies.

Selection Process

All applications will be reviewed and evaluated by Commission staff for completeness and eligibility. Staff will prepare an analysis for consideration by the CD Committee. Members of the CD Committee will review staff reports for the funding applications submitted, accept comments from applicants and members of the public, provide feedback, and make funding recommendations. These funding recommendations will go to the Board of Supervisors for final approval on January 6, 2026 (date subject to change). **All applicants must attend the CD Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 17, 2025, in order to receive a recommendation for funding.** This meeting will be held from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Hearing Room of the Community Development Commission, located at 141 Stony Circle, Suite 210 (second floor), in Santa Rosa, CA. Applicants may attend in-person or virtually; a Zoom link will be provided for applicants that would like to join the meeting online.

Unallocated Funds

Following the PLHA funding award process outlined in this NOFA, and remaining PLHA funds will be made available for AOWH applications on an over-the-counter basis to eligible applicants and projects. Interested applicants should contact the Commission to schedule a TA session and discuss the application process.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact Yesenia Lemus by email at yesenia.lemus@sonomacounty.gov or by phone at 707-565-1579.