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# Introduction to the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program

On June 2, 2023, Oklahoma House Bill 1031 became law, which established the Oklahoma Housing Stability Program (OHSP), and further created the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program and assigned administration to the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA). The purpose of the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program is to provide gap financing for the production of rental housing in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Increased Housing Program will provide a 0% interest, 24 month recourse construction loan to for-profit and not-for-profit developers committed to building single-family and/or multifamily rental units across the State.

# Funds Distribution

75% of the funds will be set-aside for proposed Developments located in Non-Metropolitan Statistical Areas or rural areas as defined by the US Dept of Agriculture (rural areas), whichever is the least restrictive. The remaining 25% of the funds will be set-aside for proposed Developments located in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (urban areas). Preference shall be given to applicants seeking to build homes and/or multifamily apartment units in communities that have been under a federally or state declared natural disaster within twelve (12) months of the date of application.

# Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Guidance and Information

Applicants may access guidance and information from OHFA’s website: www.ohfa.org.

Applicants must demonstrate a clear understanding of the rules and regulations that govern the housing Activity to be undertaken, and clearly demonstrate their capacity to proficiently complete the proposed Development.

# Board Consideration

All Applications will be considered and acted upon by the OHFA Board of Trustees at a board meeting.

**The Board of Trustees may, in their discretion, after hearing the recommendations of Staff and the Applicants, elect to approve or deny an Application irrespective of the recommendation of OHFA Staff, if deemed in the best interests of OHFA and the needs of the State of Oklahoma**. Accordingly, representatives of the Applicant are encouraged to attend the Board of Trustees meeting to answer any questions of the Board of Trustees, and to present evidence and argument in support of approval of the Application, if necessary. The Applicant's representative must be an official of the applicant. The Applicant may also be represented by legal counsel.

**Neither an applicant nor members of the public shall communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Trustees regarding an application under consideration by OHFA (except upon notice and opportunity for all parties to participate).**

In the event the Applicant disputes the recommendation of Staff, the Applicant must file **ten (10) copies** of any response(s) to Staff’s recommendation, or other information they wish the Board of Trustees to consider, **not less than seven (7) business days** prior to the commencement of the **Board** meeting when the Application will be considered.

In addition to the hard copies, Applicants must submit an electronic version of the response. If both the hard copy and the electronic version are not received, the responses will not be accepted or considered by Staff or the Trustees.

**Funds Availability**

There will be a due diligence period from the date of the award until funds can be accessed. During this time frame, loan documents will be prepared by OHFA, and Applicants are required to submit additional documentation Subsequently, a loan closing will occur.

# Loan Application Process

The Oklahoma Increased Housing Program will operate according to a predetermined published application timeframe, commensurate with funds availability.

OHFA will conduct a thorough Application review and make funding recommendations based on the documentation submitted. All Applications will be considered and acted upon by the OHFA Board of Trustees at a Board meeting. Board meeting dates are posted on the OHFA website.

OHFA at its discretion may accelerate or delay the review of Applications.

**Applicants proposing to incorporate the use of the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program with OHFA’s AHTC program must submit the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application at or before the time of the AHTC Application submittal.** The Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application must reference the tax credit Application.The Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funding commitment must be secured before Board consideration of the AHTC Application, and will be contingent upon Applicant’s satisfaction of all AHTC Application requirements and receipt of an award of AHTC’s at the next Board meeting making such awards. Due to time constraints, Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Applications that are involved in an AHTC Application will not be given a chance to submit a new Application after the AHTC deadline. This includes any Application resubmitted in response to a denial notification.

Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Applications proposing to incorporate the use of HOME funds must be contingently approved before the HOME award. A HOME Application will not be contingently approved based upon a future Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application.

No funding wait lists shall be established, and **OHFA may cease accepting applications at any time. OHFA will post a notice on its website if it is no longer accepting applications.**

**Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Funds may not be combined with any application for Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits (State Tax Credits).**

Awards of Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds are subject to availability of funds and the satisfaction of all underwriting and evaluation criteria.

Application deficiencies will be clearly communicated in writing to the applicant. Applicants will have a reasonable period of time to cure any deficiencies. Loan Applications that do not satisfy loan threshold criteria will not be eligible for funding.

**The listed Board meeting dates may be subject to change. Therefore, Applicants are encouraged to contact Staff or access the OHFA website for updated information.** The first Board meeting at which Applications for 2025 Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds will be considered is the May 2025 Board meeting.

**Deadline for consideration** **Board Meeting Date**

March 13th, 2025 May 14th, 2025

May 15th, 2025 July 16th, 2025

July 17th, 2025 September 24th, 2025

September 25th, 2025 November 19th, 2025

November 20th, 2025 January, 2026 (Date TBD)

# Application Format and Supplemental Information

* See **Attachment A**. **All Applications must be uploaded to OHFA’s Dropbox system. OHFA will not accept hard copies of applications.**

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO VERIFY TIMELY RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION BY DESIGNATED STAFF.**

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# Technical Assistance

OHFA is happy to provide technical assistance to anyone who is interested in applying for program funds. We kindly request that you make an appointment by emailing any of the Housing Development Staff members listed below.

# Application Questions

Questions regarding Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Applications may be directed in writing to a Housing Development staff member via email.

All Housing Development Staff can be accessed by e-mail or phone.

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**Applicant Experience**

The Applicant must have experience of building a minimum of 5 units that have received a certificate of occupancy. Certificates of Occupancy may be in a name that differs from the Applicant. However, the Applicant will be responsible for providing documentation showing that the Certificates of Occupancy provided are for homes that the Applicant or a representative of the Applicant have constructed either via an individual or a different entity. If the Applicant is supplementing their experience by using the experience of a General Contractor, Certificates of Occupancy may be provided for the General Contractor or an individual or a different entity that the General Contractor controls. The Applicant must also document experience in owning/operating rental housing. Experience must be proportional to the number of units and type being proposed, and financial and background information will be requested. Commercial experience may also be accepted in lieu of residential construction experience.

**Construction Start**

Applicants for Oklahoma Increased Housing Program loan must be ready to close on the loan and start construction within **9 months of an award** by OHFA’s Board of Trustees. Failure to do so can result in termination of the loan commitment. OHFA staff may administratively grant a 75 day extension of this deadline for applicants who request and demonstrate a need for such extension. Any extensions beyond 75 days will require consideration and approval by OHFA’s Board of Trustees.

**Construction Completion**

Construction is considered complete when a certificate of occupancy is obtained and provided to OHFA.

# Award Instrument and Terms

Once an Applicant has been awarded funds, OHFA will schedule a meeting with them to go over the loan closing and associated documents required for a loan closing to occur. Please refer to Appendix A, the Loan Closing Checklist. Funded Applicants must confirm program participation with signed Loan Agreements and Promissory Notes. General and special conditions will be contained within the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program documents. The maximum loan/contract period is twenty four (24) months.

OHFA regularly assesses the performance of its Awardees. In cases of non-performance and/or poor performance, OHFA may, where necessary, call the note. Poor performance and non-performance will include but is not limited to:

* Actual progress varies substantially from the progress updates received.
* Proposed components of the Development have failed to be included in the Development. (e.g., funds were allocated to develop a three-bedroom apartment; developer modifies the proposed idea and begins construction on a two bedroom apartment.)
* Failure to comply with any other compliance guidelines which are described herein.

Funded applications and supplemental information such as the Development budget, plans, construction contracts, and architect’s contracts (if applicable) are incorporated and made a part of the loan agreements. As such, they will be used to monitor Development activities, implementation schedules, and performance. Requests for consideration of modifications and extensions must be made in writing prior to any changes and/or modifications. OHFA reserves the right to reject the request for consideration. Modifications and extensions may be consideredon an individual basis, allowing OHFA to either approve or deny the request. Extensions and/or modifications of loan terms are subject to Board Approval.

The financing will be the lesser of $3,000,000 or 85% of the Total Development Costs (TDC). In either event, the total amount of debt financing on the property during the construction period cannot exceed 85%.

Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds will accrue zero interest. The term of the loan will be the earlier of 24 months or once the Development reaches stabilized occupancy (85%).

If the loan is not repaid within 24 months, the interest rate will be accelerated to prime plus 4 .

**OHFA must be the primary lienholder on the Development being constructed. Under no circumstances will OHFA subordinate its lien position.**

Rents will be capped at 125% of HUD Fair Market Rents (FMRs) for 3 years. This includes Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMRs). Annual rent increases are limited to the annual increase in the FMR/SAFMR or 5%, annually.

# Forms of Assistance

Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds for rental housing new construction are intended to provide construction financing only and are extended in the form of collateralized recourse loans.

# Maximum Loan Amount

The award amount provided to any Applicant, owner, general partner, developer or combination thereof will be the lesser of $3,000,000 or 85% of the Total Development Costs (TDC). Additionally, this will be subject to the caps on maximum number of units, bedroom mix, as well as the restrictions on Rural and Urban use of the funds. Furthermore, developers will be limited to submitting one application, and will not be able to submit another application until certificates of occupancy are received and submitted to OHFA, the loan has been repaid, and all other appropriate closeout documentation has been submitted. This does not preclude the applicant from submitting an application for one of OHFA’s other housing Development programs.

Awardees shall have all other sources of financing secured in advance of OHFA’s funding.

The Oklahoma Increased Housing Program maximum loan amount is the lesser of $3,000,000 or 85% of the Total Development Costs (TDC), in the form of a recourse loan to be paid as draw requests are submitted. The Borrower must provide 15% of the Total Development Costs at closing to finance the development; this contribution must be in the form of equity financing (cash, land, partner contribution, etc.) Once a draw request is received, OHFA’s designated construction inspector will conduct an inspection and document the construction progress. OHFA staff will review the inspection report and disburse approved draws.

# Rural Areas

Rural means any Non-Metropolitan Statistical Areas or rural areas as defined by the US Dept of Agriculture, whichever is least restrictive. Verification will be obtained by OHFA staff. The USDA Rural Eligibility Site may be accessed here: https://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do. Urban Areas means any Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

# Financial Assistance for Loan Application Preparation

OHFA assumes no responsibility for any costs associated with loan Application preparation or submittal of Application.

# Prohibited uses of Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds:

* Funds cannot be used to pay for Development costs outside stated contract periods.
* Funds cannot be used to pay for existing indebtedness unless it is for the land that the Applicant will be constructing the proposed Development on.
* Funds cannot be used to pay for any units that have begun construction prior to application submittal.

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# Eligible Entities

May include but not limited to:

* Political subdivisions (including, but not limited to, incorporated towns, cities, and counties, their trusts and authorities, and state trusts).
* Nonprofit organizations
* For-profit developers
* Native American Tribes

# Eligible Activities

**Applications can be for no less than 5 and for no more than 200 units.** (Scattered site Developments are eligible within one application, as long as it does not exceed 200 units).

**Eligible funding Activities shall include:**

* New construction of single-family or multifamily rental units. This does not preclude:
* Manufactured homes (that must be permanently affixed to a concrete foundation)
	+ 3D printed homes
	+ Adaptive reuse of any previously nonresidential structures
	+ Other innovative housing types

# Developer Fees/Contractor Profit

* Developer Fees must not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Total Development Costs (TDC).
* Contractor Fees must not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Total Development Costs (TDC).
* If IHP funds are used in conjunction with Affordable Housing Tax Credits, IHP funds cannot be used to pay any Developer fees.

Staff will thoroughly review proposed fees; therefore, providing documentation to justify the requested developer fee is **required**. OHFA reserves the right to adjust/reduce proposed developer fees. Circumstances that could result in adjustment include, but are not limited to:

* Location of Development
* Size of the Development
* Accessibility to materials
* Related party transactions

# Program Regulations

Oklahoma Increased Housing Program is not a federal program. However, any application combining resources from a federal program must follow applicable federal regulations for each of the federal sources of funding, in addition to any other laws and regulation that may be applicable.

**Other Laws and Regulations**

The Applicant, Development Owner, Development Team, Principals of each, and all Affiliates of each must comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, rules including, but not limited to, OHFA rules, regulations, and ordinances, including, but not limited to, regulations promulgated thereunder, the Oklahoma Landlord Tenant Act, the Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended and Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended.  Neither the Applicant, Development, Owner, Development Team, Principals of each, nor shall any Affiliates of each discriminate on the basis of race, creed, religion, national origin, ethnic background, age, sex, familial status or disability in the lease, use or occupancy of the Development or in connection with the employment or application for employment of Persons for the operation and/or management of any Development. The owner(s) of a Development will be required to covenant and agree in the Regulatory Agreement to comply fully with the requirements of the Fair Housing Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act as they may from time to time be amended, for the time period as promised in the application.

# Application Analysis

Applications will be analyzed using Threshold and Selection criteria (scoring). Only applications that are responsive to all criteria will be eligible for funding. Fully responsive applications are defined as applications that provide full and complete Development documentation at the time of submission or upon request by OHFA Staff.

**For threshold factors only,** all Applicants will be notified of insufficient documentation or items in need of clarification, and will be given a 14 calendar day period in which to provide additional documentation and/or clarification as needed.OHFA will permit such additional documentation and/or clarification to be provided electronically.

# Threshold Criteria

An applicant must meet **all** **Threshold** criteria listed below at the time of Application submission. Applicant must be an eligible entity and must provide a fully responsive Application.

Application responses are to be structured and have information presented in such a way as to fully address each criterion. The information, data, and statements provided in response to each criterion will be the basis for evaluating each application. Depending on the type of activity, some items may not be applicable. If so, Applicant must indicate which items are not applicable. Applicant is responsible to review specific requirements and provide all necessary documentation.

1. **Applicant Information Form, Applicant Certification and Index of Evaluation Criteria Tabs (sequentially numbered)** - Pages 22-23 of this Application Packet.

2. **Development Description** - Applicant must provide a detailed Development description that describes Development activities and states the essential characteristics of the proposed Development. All plans/description, at a minimum, must include the following information:

Documentation Requirements:

1. Describe the location of the Development (e.g. County, City or Town, street address if known, or general location).
2. Define the number and type of units. This must include bedroom mix.
3. List the square footage of each unit by type (1 bedroom, 2 bedroom, etc.)
4. Applicants must provide a statement agreeing to adhere to the Oklahoma Uniform Building code as well as meeting applicable construction and design standards established by local, state and federal government entities, as evidenced by architect certification.
5. Describe the Applicant’s 15% upfront equity contribution. The contribution may be in the form of cash on hand, partner contribution, or land already owned by the Applicant. If awarded, an appraisal will be ordered by OHFA to establish land value. If the land value according to the appraisal results in an insufficient amount of equity, an additional equity contribution must be provided to meet the 15% requirement.

If additional sources of funding are involved outside of OHFA or the Applicant’s equity contribution, please describe those sources in detail.

3. **Organizational Structure/Capacity & Management Control** – Applicants must demonstrate both staff and organizational expertise directly related to the type of proposed housing activity. Additionally, experience must be proportional to the number of units and type being proposed. **Staff may run a credit report (at the expense of the Applicant) and an Oklahoma Supreme Court Network (OSCN) background check for each of the principals of the applicant prior to making an award of funds**.

Documentation Requirements:

1. Please provide a narrative explaining what role(s) you as the Applicant intend to fill. There can be multiple roles listed. (Developer, Owner, Financial Partner, etc.)
2. If the Development involves other parties (i.e. General Contractor, Guarantor, Homebuilder) – Provide a narrative describing those entities/individuals and their respective roles .
3. Provide organizational documents for all parties showing authorized individuals.
4. Organizational charts illustrating all housing personnel.

Provide a Narrative detailing staff experience, and provide certificates of occupancy showing that the Applicant has sufficient experience commensurate with what they are proposing to build. Certificates of Occupancy may be in a name that differs from the Applicant. However, the Applicant will be responsible for providing documentation showing that the Certificates of Occupancy provided are for homes that the Applicant or a representative of the Applicant have constructed either via an individual or a different entity. If the Applicant is supplementing their experience by using the experience of a General Contractor. Certificates of Occupancy may be provided for the General Contractor or an individual or a different entity that the General Contractor controls. The Applicant must also document experience in owning/operating rental housing. Additionally, please

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2. Describe financial policies and procedures, including internal controls. The description must discuss disbursement of funds, requests for funds, and payment of subcontractors.
3. The Applicant’s financial statements for the current year and two preceding years. The financials may be prepared by a CPA, Financial Institution, financial professional, etc. Personal Financial Statements or Tax Returns signed by the Applicant are also acceptable.. If using cash as their 15% contribution, the financial statement provided for the current year must show that the Applicant’s cash on hand to meet the minimum contribution requirement. The prior year’s financial statements must demonstrate the financial capacity of the Applicant to undertake the proposed development. If the applicant is a newly formed entity, then the personal financial statements of the Authorized Signatory must be provided for the current year and two preceding years. **If the Applicant is partnering with an individual/entity to be the financial guarantor of the development, this partnership must be disclosed in the Partnerships section of the application submitted.**

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4. **Partnerships** – If applicable, loan Applications must describe all partners, both financial and non-financial. Partnership documentation must clearly identify who the partners are, contributions to the Development, and the nature of those contributions. A partnership is any set of individuals or organizations that have any sharing of financial resources, equity contribution, joint land ownership, joint land purchase agreement, or the authority to sign on behalf of the applicant for the proposed project.

Documentation Requirements:

1. Whether the contribution is cash, professional services, volunteer labor, or other types of contribution.
2. The anticipated return on investment for the partners.
3. How the partner contribution will be used to reduce the cost of production and/or construction.
4. The timing of the partner contribution.
5. The length of time associated with the contribution commitment.

5. **Market Analysis/Study –** A market analysis is required for all types of activities. Proposed Developments of twenty-one (21) units or more must provide an independent third-party market analysis. Developments less than twenty-one (21) units can provide a locally produced market study that supports demand for the proposed Development. All market studies must be dated no more than 12 months prior to the date of the application. Applicants are required to demonstrate and document their familiarity with the market they propose to serve. Proposed Developments must be clearly market driven.

OHFA will review the market analysis to determine its implications for the financial viability of the property and whether it justifies the need for the number, size, and type of housing units proposed.

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**Documentation Requirements for Developments of twenty-one (21) units or more:**

1. The study must fully describe the methodology used and all sources of all data and information.
2. A summary of the qualifications of the individual(s) who participated in the Development of the market study.
3. A map and description of the proposed site. Physical features of the property, street and access information, availability of utilities, and zoning data. A discussion regarding the appropriateness of the location – availability of community facilities and proximity to local schools and parks, including the amenities listed in the ‘Proximity to Amenities’ Selection Criteria.
4. An evaluation of the need for rental housing (as defined in this Application) within the market area including a review of economic and employment factors such as population growth trends, Development and activity, industry, major employers, and labor force.
5. A demographic analysis of the market area, including population, households, and employment.
6. An assessment of the current housing supply type, quantity, unit mix, location, age, condition, occupancy levels, and housing cost overburden statistics.
7. An identification of the number of households in the market area which are of the appropriate income and size for the proposed activity.
8. A description of the potential effect on the occupancy rates of other comparable properties in the market area.
9. A description of rents and vacancy rates of comparable housing.
10. The expected time of market absorption of the proposed housing.
11. A calculation of capture rate by dividing the total number of units in the Development by the total number of renter households in the primary market area.

6.**Financial Feasibility and Viability** –**Please use the Excel Spreadsheets associated with this application to complete this section.** Applicants must detail the exact activities and costs to be paid using Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds. The Application must provide:

Documentation Requirements:

1. Sources
	* All proposed sources (private and public) and dollar amounts for each source. All uses of funds associated with the Development including Increased Housing Program funds as well as any personal funds.
	* .
* Commitment letters for any outside funding sources which must include the loan amount, interest rate, loan term, debt service coverage ratio, loan amortization period, borrower loan fees, collateral, and conditions precedent to funding.
1. Uses of Funds:
	* Infrastructure development (such as dirt work, utilities, paving streets/roads) is allowed to be paid for by Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds. These costs must be included in the Development Budget and be directly related to the construction of units for this program.
	* Agreements governing various reserves, which are capitalized at closing to verify the reserves cannot be withdrawn later as fees or distributions.
2. Development Budget

The Total Development Budget must include all costs associated with the Development, including:

* Construction “hard” costs
* Cost of infrastructure (dirt work, utilities, etc.)
* Contractor profit – cannot exceed 15% of Total Development Costs (TDC).
* Contractors Requirements - detailed breakdown of all costs.
* Contingency - cannot exceed 6% of hard costs.
* Soft costs (architectural, engineering, legal, appraisal, etc.)
* Marketing costs
* Market Study
* Developer fees
* Insurance costs
* Real estate taxes
* Environmental Assessment
* Consultant fees, if applicable
* All other projected costs

OHFA will review all costs to ensure that they are customary, reasonable and necessary. This will be based on the type of Development activity and comparable costs in the market area of the proposed Development. OHFA encourages realistic costs for Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Developments, while encouraging cost efficient production and shall not give preference solely for lowest construction costs.

If documentation is not adequate and does not support the costs, OHFA may request additional documentation.

1. Collateral

The collateral will be the land, any structures built on the land, and any materials purchased for the project.A legal description for the land must be included.

1. Repayment:

Applicant must fully describe, in specific detail, the sources and timing of the repayment. All loans are due at the earlier of the end of the loan term or when stabilized occupancy (85%) is reached. Commitment letters for any funding sources utilized to repay the Increased Housing Program loan which must include the loan amount, interest rate, loan term, debt service coverage ratio, loan amortization period, borrower loan fees, collateral, and conditions precedent to funding.

1. Rent and Expense pro forma – The pro forma must reflect the following:
* Rental Income (stabilized)
* Pro forma must be a 10-year projection for Oklahoma Increased Housing Program
* Achievable rent levels
* Estimated vacancy rate
* Operating expenses (detailed)
* Stabilized Net Operating Income (NOI)
* Debt service to private and public loans
* Debt coverage ratio - a minimum 1.15 DCR is required.

**Pro forma must not be unduly conservative or overly optimistic.**

Draws and inspections

1. The construction draw and inspection schedule will be approved by OHFA. Prior to construction commencement, awardees must provide OHFA’s designated construction inspector with the preliminary plans and specifications. OHFA and its designated construction inspector will develop an inspection schedule specific to the Development. Draws may be made whenever the work covered by each draw has been inspected and approved by the designated construction inspector and OHFA. Regardless of the inspection schedule initially provided by the designated construction inspector, OHFA may inspect more or less frequently if deemed necessary by OHFA Staff or OHFA’s designated construction inspector. At construction inspections, OHFA’s designated construction inspector(s) will inspect for progress related to the draw schedule.

2. Draw Schedule – The schedule below is a sample for each development to serve as the basis for drawing funds and determining construction completion according to the construction timeline provided by the Applicant. The percentages listed indicate how much of the loan can be drawn once those stages are complete. This sample schedule may vary by Development (i.e. for an in-fill development that will most likely not need any infrastructure funding, the 5% for infrastructure would be reallocated amongst the other categories.) Funds will not be disbursed until OHFA has conducted an inspection to determine work has been completed. While there are eight stages of construction listed, draws can happen more or less frequently depending on the construction schedule/timeline. In any event, OHFA will conduct a minimum of 5 construction inspections. 5% of the total loan amount will be withheld and paid once Certificates of Occupancy have been received for all units built using program funds.

Stage 1 (5%) – Infrastructure

Stage 2 (5%) – Pad

Stage 3 (10%) – Floor Slab

Stage 4 (25%) – Framing to dried in stage

Stage 5 (17%) – Mechanical Rough Ins

Stage 6 (20%) – Interior Finishes

Stage 7 (13%) – Exterior Finishes

Stage 8 (5%) - Certificate of Occupancy

7. **Development Readiness –** Loan Applicants are reminded that plans and specs submitted as part of the application that is subsequently funded will be incorporated as part of the loan agreement. Therefore, loan Applicants must keep in mind that Development readiness, as stated within funded loan applications, will be used by Staff as a basis for measuring performance. Developments must be ready to begin construction within nine (9) months of an award by OHFA’s Board of Trustees. OHFA staff may administratively grant a 75 day extension of this deadline for applicants who request and demonstrate a need for such extension. Any extensions beyond 75 days will require consideration and approval by OHFA’s Board of Trustees.

Documentation Requirements:

1. Site control evidenced by deed, purchase contract, option to purchase.
2. Include Development site plan, floor plan(s), and elevations.
3. Proper zoning must be in place at the time of application. Documentation including zoning type and authorization date must be provided. This could include a zoning classification letter from the city/town, or a printout from the county assessor, which clearly lists the zoning code will be accepted.
4. Applicants must provide a 24-month production/implementation schedule that clearly identifies all major phases of the proposed Development.

**Selection Criteria**

Applications will be scored using the Selection Criteria below. Notwithstanding the point ranking under the Selection Criteria, OHFA’s Trustees may in their sole discretion award funds to a Development irrespective of its point ranking.

1. **Proposed Developments Located in a State or Federally Declared Natural Disaster Area**

Total Points Possible: 10

Applications for proposed Developments located in a State or Federally Declared Natural Disaster Area (that has been declared within the last 12 months of the date of application) will be eligible to receive points.

2. **Proposed Developments Located in an Oklahoma Department of Commerce Preference Site**

Total Points Possible: 5

Applications for proposed Developments located in an Oklahoma Department of Commerce Preference Site will be eligible to receive points. A list of Preference Sites will be made available on OHFA’s website at least 60 days prior to each application due date.

1. **Proximity to Amenities**

Total Points Possible: 10

Points will be awarded for each item that is located either within a 1-mile radius of the proposed Development in urban areas or within a 4 mile radius of the proposed Development in rural areas. **Amenities must be measured from any edge of the site plan to any edge of an amenity. The Market Study provided with the application must include a map demonstratingthat the selected Amenities are within proximity of the Development to receive points. If the Market Study does not demonstrate this, no points will be awarded.** **Applicants proposing a Development in a town/city/municipality with a population of 2,500 or less will automatically receive 7 points for this scoring category. 1 Point each**

* School
* Grocery Store
* Pharmacy
* Bus Stop/Access to Public Transportation
* Public Park
* Hospital or Urgent Care Center
* Daycare
* Library
* Bank
* Public Recreational Facility
* Police or Fire Station
1. **Visitability**

Total Points Possible: 10

To be eligible to receive points, applicants must commit to providing **all** three items listed below in at least ten percent (10%) of the units built using program funds with a minimum of one (when calculating the percentage, OHFA will round up). It is up to the applicant to follow all Section 504 requirements if applicable to the specific project. Visitability is the design approach for new housing such that anyone who uses a wheelchair or other mobility device should be able to visit.

 Required items:

* + - Entry/exit as well as bathroom door openings must be at a minimum 32” to accommodate a wheelchair
		- One bathroom on the main floor of the property that is accessible by wheelchair. This does not apply to the shower.
		- One zero-step entry located on at least one accessible entrance of the unit. If there is not one zero-step entry located on at least one accessible entrance to the unit, a ramp must be provided.

***Documentation Requirements:***

**Attachment #1 Visitability Certification** *–*This Certification must be signed by a Representative of the Ownership Entity.

## Home Energy Rating System

Total Points Possible: 10

Points will be awarded to proposed Developments committing to receive a **Home Energy Rating System (HERS)** Score within the ranges established below, as evidenced by a report from a Certified RESNET Home Energy Rater who conducted an inspection of the property post-construction. A random sampling of 20% of the units must be scored by the Certified RESNET Home Energy Rater. Please see the scale below for how points will be awarded.

* HERS Score of less than or equal to 70 – 10 points
* HERS Score of 71-75 – 8 points
* HERS Score of 76-80 – 5 points
* HERS Score of 81-85 – 3 points

***Documentation Requirements:***

**Attachment #2 Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Certification –** specifically states that once construction of the Development is complete, it will receive a HERS Score at or below what the Owner elected to receive points in this category, as evidenced by a report from a Certified RESNET Home Energy Rater who conducted an inspection of the property post-construction. This Certification must be signed by a representative of the Ownership entity**.** If the HERS Score in the report submitted with closeout documents is higher than the range committed to at the time of the initial Application, the Owner/Developer and any Principals thereof will not be allowed to apply for a 12 month period that begins after the current loan has been repaid.

1. **Amenities**

Total Points Possible: 10

Points will be awarded to proposed Developments committing to provide any of the amenities more specifically listed on **Attachment #3**. Applicants will receive 1 Point for each Amenity selected (unless otherwise noted), up to 10, for a maximum of 10 Points.

***Documentation Requirements:***

**Attachment #3 Amenities Certification** *–*This Certification must be signed by a Representative of the Ownership Entity.

# Tie Breakers

First, priority will be given to applications for proposed Developments located in a Federally Declared Natural Disaster Area (that has been declared within the last 12 months of the date of application).

Second, priority will be given to applications for proposed Developments located in a State Declared Disaster Area (that has been declared within the last 12 months of the date of application)

Third, priority will be given to the Development with the lowest Total Development Cost (TDC) per bedroom.

Lastly, if there are still two (2) or more applicants remaining tied, the final tiebreaker will be a random drawing.

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# Attachment #1 – Visitability Certification

**Visitability** *–* **10 points**

To be eligible to receive points, applicants must commit to providing **all** three items listed below in at least ten percent (10%) of the units built using program funds, with a minimum of one (when calculating the percentage, OHFA will round up to the next whole number). For example, if proposing to build 21 units, 10% = 2.1; **3 units** would be required.

Accepted items:

* Entry/exit as well as bathroom door openings must be at a minimum 32” wide to accommodate a wheelchair.
* One bathroom on the main floor of the property that is accessible by wheelchair, this does not apply to the shower.
* One zero-step entry located on at least one accessible entrance to the unit. If there is not one zero-step entry located on at least one accessible entrance to the unit, a ramp must be provided.

Representative of the Ownership Entity Date

Printed Name

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# Attachment #2 – Home Energy Rating Certification

Development Name:

**The Undersigned hereby certifies:**

* Once construction of the Development is complete, it will receive a HERS Score at or below the election they make below, as evidenced by a report from a Certified RESNET Home Energy Rater who conducted an inspection of the property post-construction. A random sampling of 20% of the units must be scored by the Certified RESNET Home Energy Rater.
* If the HERS Score in the report submitted with closeout documentation is higher than the range committed to at the time of the initial Application, the Owner/Developer and any Principals thereof will not be eligible to receive any further Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Funding.

Applicants may choose only one (1) of the following:

[ ]  HERS Score of less than or equal to 70 – 10 points

[ ]  HERS Score of 71-75 – 8 points

[ ]  HERS Score of 76-80 – 5 points

[ ]  HERS Score of 81-85 – 3 points

Representative of the Ownership Entity Date

Printed Name

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# Attachment #3 – Development Amenities Certification

Development Name:

**The Undersigned hereby certifies:**

* The **amenities** will be included in the plans and specifications for the **Development** and they have been included in the construction budget.
* **The amenities will be new and specific to the Development and/or unit and not included in any other phase of the Development if it is a multi-phase Development and are not included in any other Developments located in close proximity to this Development.**
* That one hundred percent (100%) of the units in the Development will be located within ½ mile of any amenities meant to serve the entire Development even if more than one (1) of an amenity type must be included to meet this requirement.
* **This is an exclusive list and no substitutions will be permitted after a Development has been awarded funds.**

The following items **must** be provided:

* Central heat and air
* Dishwasher
* Garbage disposal
* Washer and dryer hookups
* Hard-wired smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors

Applicants may choose up to ten (10) of the following items to receive up to 10 Points (1 Point per item, except the Storm Shelter/Safe room which is 5 points):

[ ]  Indoor Fitness center (for Developments with 60 units or less: a minimum of two (2) pieces of equipment must be provided, for Developments with greater than 60 units: a minimum of four (4) pieces of equipment must be provided.) (e.g. Treadmills, Weight Sets, Stationary Bicycles, etc.)

[ ]  Playground with three (3) or more different features grouped together. (e.g. Swings, Seesaws, Slides, etc.)

[ ]  Onsite computer workstations reserved strictly for use by the tenants with internet access (for Developments with 60 units or less: a minimum of two (2) computers must be provided, for Developments with greater than 60 units: a minimum of four (4) computers must be provided.)

[ ]  Covered parking – minimum of at least one covered parking spot for each unit

[ ]  Dog park

[ ]  Pool

[ ]  Splash pad

[ ]  Washer & Dryers in each unit

[ ]  Gated community providing keypad gates on all entrances to the Development

[ ]  Ceiling fans (all beds & living)

[ ]  Charging station for electric cars – minimum of 1 station per 20 units

[ ]  Sports Facilities which must be stationary and fixed to the Development. (e.g. Soccer Field, Basketball Court, Tennis Court, Badminton, Shuffle Board, etc.)

[ ]  Security cameras that cover the entrances of each unit

[ ]  Security systems within each unit

[ ]  Outdoor grills – minimum of 1 grill per 20 units

[ ]  Outdoor covered seating

[ ]  Community room

[ ]  Smoke free policy for the building(s)

[ ]  Storm shelter or Safe room must be constructed in accordance with the most recent State of Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission minimum State requirement for storm shelters, which currently requires construction according to ICC/NSSA 500 Standard, FEMA 320 Guideline, FEMA 361 Guideline or other equivalent approved engineered system. Must accommodate all possible residents based on number of bedrooms, one (1) person per bedroom. Residents must have access.

Representative of the Ownership Entity Date

Printed Name

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# OHFA Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application - Attachment A

## Electronic Application Information

**OHFA is not responsible for any Internet, computer, and uploading, etc. type of issues. Applicants are advised to upload electronic Application files before the deadline. Your Dropbox Application link will expire on the due date at 3:00 p.m. Central time; therefore, an Application cannot be submitted after the deadline.**

Step 1: Request a Dropbox folder for the Application to be submitted by emailing any of the OHFA Allocation Analysts. The assigned folder name will be the “Name of Applicant-Activity-City” (Activity means Homeownership/Rental etc.). Provide this information in your request.

Step 2: The Analyst will “reply to all” in the email folder request by sending a link to the Dropbox folder. The link will be specific to that folder/Application. You can share the link with others. Please exercise caution when sharing the folder link, do not share with anyone you do not want to have access to the folder.

Step 3: Create one PDF document with bookmarks for each tab, even those that are N/A. **For each tab, including those that are N/A, create a title page listing the same name as the bookmark name.** The PDF should be named the same as the initial folder request, see Step 1 above.

**Please use the tabs listed on the submission checklist as a guide for listing bookmark titles and title pages.**

**TIP:** For more information about creating bookmarks see https://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/using/page-thumbnails-bookmarks-pdfs.html.

Step 4: Review PDF file for clarity and verify bookmarks work properly. Verify readability after you scan/prepare a document. If a document is too small, or in any other way illegible, then Staff will not be able to evaluate information or count as submitted. This may cause you to Fail Threshold or not receive points. **TIP:** **When possible, convert documents directly to PDF, then insert signature pages into the PDF.**

Step 5: Upload PDF Application file. **Once a document is submitted you cannot edit or retrieve it.** If you need to submit a revised Application, then put Revised in the title. **OHFA’s Dropbox system is only for submitting Applications, not a method for Application preparation.**

Step 6: After submission, Applicants receive an email acknowledging successful upload.

**OHFA Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Applicant Information Form**

Development Name (If applicable):

Applicant Name:

Address:

Phone: Fax:

E-mail address:

Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN):

Name of Applicant’s Authorized Representative:

(Official authorized signatory)

Name of primary contact person:

Phone: Fax:

Address:

E-mail address:

Loan Guarantor (if not Applicant):

Political Subdivision: Town City County

 Public Trust Non-Profit organization

 For-profit developer Tribes

 Other-Describe

Development loan request: $

Total Number of Units to be Developed

Total Number of Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Units to be Developed

Development Activity (ies): (Check all that apply)

**Single Family**  **Multi-Family**

 New construction -Rental New construction - Rental

Location of Development:

Congressional District:

Oklahoma House District Number(s):

Oklahoma Senate District Number(s):

Excel sheets are located at the link below.

https://www.ohfa.org/housingstability/

Instructions are on the first tab. Once complete, print the Excel Worksheets and insert at the end of Tab 7 of this Application.

**If you have trouble accessing the spreadsheets, contact OHFA Staff.**

# OHFA Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application Certification

The Applicant hereby certifies that all of the information contained in this Application for funding through the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that all documentation supporting the information in this Application is on file in the Applicant’s office, available for review by Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) Staff during normal business hours.

Additionally, the Applicant understands that failure to provide any of the documentation necessary to support the information in this Application may result in the return of all Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds, both expended and unexpended, in accordance with the Program Sanctions under the codified rules of OHFA, contained in Oklahoma Housing Stability Program Rules, Chapter 80.

Additionally, the Applicant understands that in the event Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funding is awarded, the content of the Application shall be incorporated as part of the funding. Activities, commitments, and representations offered in the Application that are not subsequently made a part of the Development as funded, shall be considered a material contract failure, and may result in a repayment of all Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funds, or possible legal action for specific performance, and/or suspension from Program participation.

Applicant has read the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program Application Packet and will comply with the rules and requirements of the Oklahoma Increased Housing Program.

 Name and Title (Type or Print) Date

 (SEAL)

Signature

State of Oklahoma

County of

Attest:

Subscribed and sworn to before me ,

Notary Public

My commission expires ,

Commission Number

# Submission Checklist

The following is designed to serve as a general guide to Applicants regarding primary and supporting documents to be included in a Application for Oklahoma Increased Housing Program funding. Loan Applicants should carefully review all submission requirements within the Application to ensure it is complete.

**One Original Application**

**Evaluation Criteria**

Tab # 1 Applicant Information Form and Application Certification

Tab # 2 Development Description

Tab # 3 Organizational Structure/Capacity

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Tab # 5 Market Analysis/Study

Tab # 6 Financial Feasibility and Viability

Tab # 7 Development Readiness

Tab # 8 Selection Criteria

**Appendix A – OKLAHOMA INCREASED HOUSING PROGRAM LOAN CLOSING CHECKLIST**

**All items below must be received by OHFA 7 business days prior to loan closing.**

1. Proposed Promissory Note (OHFA to prepare).
2. Proposed Real Estate Mortgage and Security Agreement with Power of Sale (OHFA to prepare).
3. Proposed Loan Agreement (OHFA to prepare).
4. Security Agreement UCC-1 (OHFA to prepare).
5. Organization documents, including the operating agreement, specifying type of entity and individuals authorized to sign.
6. Certificate of Good Standing; Balance Sheet and Income Statement dated within 90 days of proposed loan date.
7. Copy of Recorded Plat.
8. Address and legal description of each property to be covered by first mortgage.
9. Title Insurance Commitment or Title Opinion (OHFA to provide). OHFA will be utilizing Oklahoma City Abstract & Title Company for the loan closing and will be ordering the title commitment.
10. Proof of site control (purchase contract, purchase option, etc.).

1. Appraisal for property as is, and as built. (OHFA to facilitate the ordering of the Appraisal; borrower is to pay for the report rendered.)
2. Flood Certificate for each property or equivalent showing that the proposed Development is not located in a floodplain. Evidence of Flood Insurance is required for any proposed Development located in a floodplain.
3. Phase I Environmental Assessment of the site. (OHFA to facilitate the ordering of the Assessment; borrower is to pay for the report rendered.)
4. Current construction budget, and building timeline, approved by architects.
5. Construction and Architect contracts (general contractor and subcontractor - AIA suggested). If there is not an Architect for the development, a contract is not required.
6. Insurance Certificate for general contractor.
7. Building Permits.
8. Form W-9 completed by the owner.
9. Proof of insurance for each home/site. Provide evidence of Builder’s Risk Coverage, by lot & block or street address, showing amounts and OHFA as loss payee. The amount of total coverage must equal or exceed the loan amount.
10. Construction signs at the development site that state the construction was funded by the Housing Stability Program. (OHFA to provide logo).
11. Wire Authorization Form (OHFA to provide)
12. Proof of funds meeting the minimum liquidity requirement as well as any cash contributions to be made at closing must be provided no more than 48 hours prior to closing. This may be provided via a letter from your financial institution, or a teller stamped print out showing the account balance and the holder of the account.

Other information, as reasonable, may be requested by OHFA.

Post-closing, OHFA will require:

A clean pre-construction survey (to be ordered by Oklahoma City Abstract & Title Company) showing that no liens have been filed on the property. Construction cannot commence until OHFA has received this survey.

A date down endorsement (to be ordered by Oklahoma City Abstract & Title Company) to extend the Title Policy and coverage every time a draw request is made and processed.

Foundation Surveys (to be ordered by Oklahoma City Abstract & Title Company) for each structure that is built once the foundations have been poured.

The cost of these items will be included on the settlement statement at closing and it will be the borrower’s responsibility to pay for these items.