

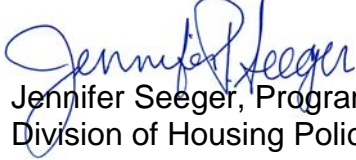
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TO: Housing-Related Park Program Stakeholders
And Interested Parties

FROM: 
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SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) - 2011
FUNDING ROUND**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") is pleased to announce the release of the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) - 2011 funding round ("2011 NOFA") for the Housing-Related Parks ("HRP") Program. The HRP Program is an innovative program designed to rewarding local governments that approve housing for low-income households and are in compliance with State housing element law with grant funds to create or rehabilitate parks. A total of \$25 million is available for the 2011 funding round.

The 2011 NOFA will award Program funds to eligible jurisdictions on a per-bedroom basis for each residential unit affordable to very low- and low-income households with documented housing starts during the Designated Program Year ("DPY") as defined below. The Designated Program Year for the 2011 NOFA **includes housing starts for units affordable to lower income households approved during the designated time period of January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011 ("DPY 2011")**. Applicants who submitted an application for the previous funding round may apply for additional funding for DPY 2011 if there were additional housing starts in 2010 that would have qualified but which were not included in the previous funding round application. Applicants, however, are not eligible to receive funding for the same units in more than one round of funding.

In addition, the deadline for meeting Program threshold requirements as set forth in Section 102 of the Program Guidelines has been extended to December 31, 2011. Please note, applicants must submit the 2009 Annual Progress Report in order to be eligible to receive funding for housing starts from 2010. To receiving funding for 2011 housing starts, the 2010 CY Annual Progress Report must be submitted to the Department. If applying for funds based on housing starts for both 2010 and 2011, both the CY 2009 and 2010 Annual Progress Reports must be submitted to the Department by no later than December 31, 2011.

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To verify housing element compliance and Annual Progress Report submittal status please refer to the Department's website at:

Housing Element Compliance Status: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/he/status.pdf>

Annual Progress Report Submittal Status: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrpp/>

HRP Program applications for the DPY 2011 will be released in January 2012. Applications must be submitted using the application materials provided on the Department's website at: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrpp/>.

**** Final Application Filing Date: March 30, 2012 (Friday) by 5:00 p.m. ****

All applicants must submit one original hard copy application with all required attachments and one electronic copy (saved to CD-Rom) of the application forms. Applications transmitted by e-mail or by facsimile will not be accepted.

The HRP Program's guidelines, application forms, workshop details, and related program information will be posted on its website at: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrpp/>.

If you have any questions, please contact your HRP Program Representative (see below). The Department looks forward to working with you on this program.

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