

Multifamily Predevelopment Applicant Eligibility Certification

All defined terms used in this certification and not specifically defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in Chapter 2306 of the Tex. Gov't Code, the Multifamily Direct Loan Rule at 10 TAC §13.2, and the Qualified Allocation Plan at 10 TAC §11.1(d).

The undersigned is hereby submitting its Application to the Department for consideration of multifamily funding.

Applicant hereby represents, warrants, agrees, acknowledges and certifies to the Department and to the State of Texas that:

It has obtained all necessary consents and approvals, and conducted all necessary diligence to enable it to make these certifications and to perform any all agreements and to give all consents provided for or made herein.

All representations, undertakings and commitments made by Applicant in the Application process for a Development expressly constitute conditions to any award, and the violation of any such condition shall be sufficient cause for the termination of the Contract. Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has been or is barred, suspended, or terminated from procurement in a state or Federal program or listed in HUD's System for Award Management (SAM).

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate; including Applicant as a private 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization, any staff or Board members of the organization, Affiliate entity, or individual with control of the proposed Development, has received an award of funds from the Department for a multifamily development after **January 1, 2010**, unless allowed under the 2020-4 NOFA.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has been convicted of a state or federal felony crime involving fraud, bribery, theft, misrepresentation of material fact, misappropriation of funds, or other similar criminal offenses within fifteen (15) years preceding the Application submission.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate is, at the time of Application, subject to an enforcement or disciplinary action under state or federal securities law or by the NASD; is subject to a federal tax lien; and/or is the subject of a proceeding in which a Governmental Entity has issued an order to impose penalties, suspend funding, or take adverse action based on an allegation of financial misconduct or uncured violation of material laws, rules, or other legal requirements governing activities considered relevant by the Governmental Entity.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has breached a contract with a public agency and failed to

cure that breach within the timeframe provided or allowed by contract. If such breach is permitted to be cured under the contract, notice of the breach has been given and a reasonable opportunity to cure.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has misrepresented to a subcontractor the extent to which the Developer has benefited from contracts or financial assistance that has been awarded by a public agency, including the scope of the Developer's participation in contracts with the agency and the amount of financial assistance awarded to the Developer by the agency.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has been found by the Board to be ineligible based on a previous participation review performed in accordance with 10 TAC Chapter 1 Subchapter C.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate is delinquent in any loan, fee, or escrow payments to the Department in accordance with the terms of the loan, as amended, or is otherwise in default with any provisions of such loans.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has failed to cure any past due fees owed to the Department within the time frame provided by notice from the Department and at least ten calendar (10) days prior to the Board meeting at which the decision for an award is to be made.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate is in violation of a state revolving door or other standard of conduct or conflict of interest statute, including §2306.6733 of the Tex. Gov't Code, or a provision of Chapter 572 of the Tex. Gov't Code, that would prohibit the Person from participating in the Application in the manner and capacity they are participating.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has provided false or misleading documentation or made other intentional or negligent material misrepresentations or omissions in or in connection with the Application (and certifications contained therein).

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has been the owner or Affiliate of the owner of a Department assisted rental development for which the federal affordability requirements were prematurely terminated and the affordability requirements have not re-affirmed or Department funds repaid.

Neither Applicant nor any Affiliate has participated in the dissemination of misinformation about affordable housing and the persons it serves or about a competing Applicant that would likely have the effect of fomenting opposition to an Application where such opposition is not based on substantive and legitimate concerns that do not implicate potential violations of fair housing laws.

The Applicant will not violate §2306.1113 of the Tex. Gov't Code relating to Ex Parte Communication and further explained in §11.202(2)(A) of the Qualified Allocation Plan.

All the instances in which any Principal or any entity or Person in the Development ownership structure who was or is involved as a Principal in any other affordable housing transaction, that has terminated voluntarily or involuntarily within the past ten (10) years or is negotiating to terminate their relationship with any other affordable housing development have been fully disclosed pursuant to §11.202(1)(M) of the Qualified Allocation Plan. Applicant understands that failure to disclose is grounds for termination.

All housing developments with which Applicant, Development Owner, Developer, Guarantor or Principal thereof participating, are in compliance with: state and federal fair housing laws, including Chapter 301, Property Code, the Texas Fair Housing Act; Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.); and the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.); the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Section 2000a et seq.); the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq.); and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Section 701 et seq.).

The making of an allocation or award by the Department does not constitute a finding or determination that the Development is deemed qualified to receive such allocation or award. Applicant agrees that the Department or any of its directors, officers, employees, and agents will not be held responsible or liable for any representations made to the undersigned; therefore, Applicant assumes the risk of all damages, losses, costs, and expenses related thereto and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department and any of its officers, employees, and agents against any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any kind and of any nature that the Department may hereinafter suffer, incur, or pay arising out of its decisions and actions concerning this Application for a Multifamily Predevelopment Grant.

Applicant or other Related Party is not subject to any pending criminal proceedings and if any such proceeding or any other charges which would invalidate the certifications are finally adjudicated or otherwise disposed of prior to the end of the Contract Period, the Applicant will immediately notify the Department. Such notification must be presented to the Board for consideration at the next available Board meeting.

The individual whose name is subscribed hereto, in its individual capacity, on behalf of Applicant, and in all other related capacities described above, as applicable, expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that all information contained in this certification and in the Application, including any and all supplements, additions, clarifications, or other materials or information submitted to the Department in connection therewith as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the multifamily funding programs are true and correct and the Applicant has undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made. The Applicant agrees that the Department may, at its discretion, request additional information or documentation in its evaluation of this Application and is authorized but not

obligated under this document to conduct its own investigation regarding any information required, requested or provided in relation to the Application or the Development. Further, the Applicant hereby expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that the individual whose name is subscribed hereto has read and understands all the information contained in this form of the Application.

By signing this document, the undersigned, in their individual capacity, on behalf of Applicant, whether formed or to be formed, and in all other related capacities described above, is affirming under penalty of Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code titled Perjury and Other Falsification and subject to criminal penalties as defined by the State of Texas. TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. §§37.01 et seq. (Vernon 2011) and subject to any and all other state or federal laws regarding the making of false statements to governmental bodies or the false statements or the providing of false information in connection with the procurement of allocations or awards that the Application and all materials relating thereto constitute government documents and that the Application and all materials relating thereto are true, correct, and complete in all material respects.

