

TO:	Non-Profit Organizations, Developers, Service Providers, and Other Interested Parties
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SUBJECT:	HOME-ARP- Non-competitive Applications
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This Program Bulletin serves to inform the public that effective **April 21, 2025**, the Mississippi Home Corporation (MHC) changed all HOME-ARP applications to non-competitive applications that can be submitted year-round.

HOME-ARP was established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to provide critical funding to assist individuals and families experiencing homelessness, those at risk of homelessness, and survivors fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, as well as other vulnerable populations.

Through this non-competitive process, eligible applicants will receive allocations based on demonstrated need and program capacity, without competing against other applicants. The funding must be used to implement eligible activities that address the unmet housing and supportive service needs of qualifying populations.

## Eligible activities under this non-competitive application include:

- Development of affordable rental housing;
- Provision of tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA);
- Supportive Services.

Applying agencies must be considered an eligible agency and meet the set threshold requirements. Applicants must align their proposed projects with the priorities and goals established in the State's approved <u>HOME-ARP Allocation Plan</u>. All projects must comply with applicable HUD regulations and program requirements, including income targeting, rent restrictions, affordability periods, and documentation of service to qualifying populations.

Funding will be awarded based on the completeness of the application, the project's readiness to proceed, the applicant's capacity to deliver the proposed activities, the consistency of the project with the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan, project feasibility, approval from MHC's funding committee, and funding availability.

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