



Local and Statewide Affordable Housing Aid (LAHA and SAHA) Annual Reporting for Metro Counties

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Our Mission at Minnesota Housing: The Core Purpose

Housing is foundational to a full life and a thriving state, so we equitably collaborate with individuals, communities and partners to create, preserve and finance housing that is affordable.

What is Affordable Housing Aid?

- Funded by state appropriations (statewide) and regional sales tax (metro).
 - Local Affordable Housing Aid (LAHA)
 - Statewide Affordable Housing Aid (SAHA)
- Department of Revenue distributes Aid directly to cities (>10,000 pop.), counties and Tribal Nations.
- Aid funds do not pass through Minnesota Housing.
- Minnesota Housing does collect annual reporting.

Local Government Housing Programs: Our Unique Role



As of 2023:

- New resources targeted to local units of government, including over \$100 million from appropriations and metro-area sales taxes.
 - Bring it Home Rental Assistance
 - LAHA
 - SAHA
- New team at Minnesota Housing: the Local Government Housing Programs Team.

Our Unique Role with Affordable Housing Aid

- LAHA and SAHA involve state funding but are not Minnesota Housing programs.
- **Minnesota Housing staff cannot provide legal, financial or tax advice.** Aid Recipients are to rely on their own legal, financial and tax advisors for such matters as:
 - Whether a given expenditure is for a qualifying project as defined in statute.
 - Whether a given expenditure is a locally funded housing expenditure as defined in statute.
 - Whether state prevailing wage requirements apply to a given project.

Statewide Affordable Housing Aid (SAHA)

- Officially Statewide *Local* Housing Aid, more commonly called Statewide *Affordable* Housing Aid, or SAHA.
- Aid to Tribal Nations, counties and Greater Minnesota cities to address local housing needs through housing development and support for organizations and individuals to maintain stable, affordable housing.



All 87 Minnesota counties, nonmetro cities with over 10,000 residents and all 11 Tribal Nations



\$22.5M annual appropriation for 2023 and 2024, Approx. \$10M annually starting in 2025



Department of Revenue administers

Share of funds to MN Housing for Tier II cities



Dept. of Revenue disburses aid in July and December



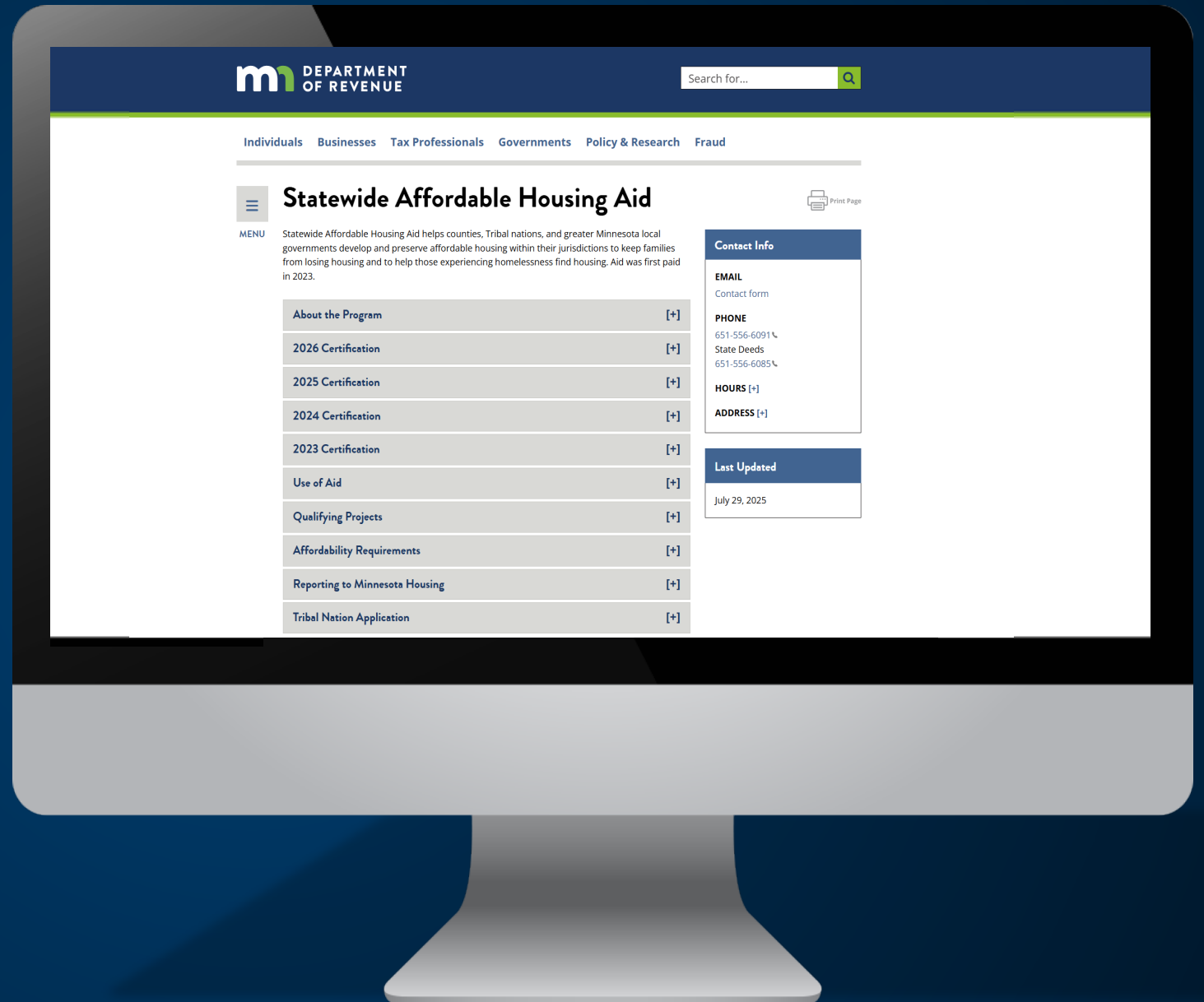
Minnesota Housing supports the program and collects reports

For housing aid disbursement information

Minnesota Dept. of
Revenue website
([revenue.state.mn.us](https://www.revenue.state.mn.us))

Statewide Affordable Housing
Aid; Local Affordable Housing
Aid

<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/statewide-affordable-housing-aid>
and
<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/local-affordable-housing-aid>



LAHA and SAHA Requirements

Use of Funds:

Funds must be spent only on qualifying projects.

Qualifying Projects include:

- Emergency Rental Assistance for households $\leq 80\%$ AMI
- Financial Support to Non-Profit Affordable Housing Providers
- Affordable Housing Development and Financing: Construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, demolition or removal of existing structures, construction financing, permanent financing, interest rate reduction, refinancing to provide affordable housing to those who earn less than 115% of AMI (homeownership) and 80% AMI (rental)
- ~~Development of Market Rate Residential Rental Property (Greater Minnesota only)~~
- Financing the operations and management of financially distressed residential properties (2024 and later Aid Years only)
- Funding of supportive housing (2024 and later Aid Years only)
- Costs of operating emergency shelter facilities, including services (2024 and later Aid Years only)
- In some cases: other projects approved by Minnesota Housing (2024 and later Aid Years only)

(Complete requirements detailed in Minnesota Statutes 477A.36 and 477A.35)

Aid, Calendar and Fiscal Years

	Aid Year	Calendar Year	Aid Recipient's Fiscal Year	State's Fiscal Year
When is it?	January 1 – December 31 (Example: The 2025 Aid Year runs 1/1/25-12/31/25.)	January 1 – December 31	Varies. Most commonly Jan. 1 – Dec. 31.	July 1 – June 30 (FY26 runs 7/1/25-6/30/26)
What is it?	The calendar year in which Aid Funds are paid (or to be paid) to the Aid Recipient. (For example, the 2025 Aid Year runs 1/1/25-12/31/25.)	How most people think of “a year.”	The year used by the aid recipient for budgeting and financial reporting.	The year used by the state for budgeting and financial reporting.
How is it used in SAHA reporting?	When describing a set amount of funds paid or to be paid to the Aid Recipient in a given calendar year.	When describing commitments and expenditures of Aid Funds.	When describing locally funded housing expenditures.	Not used in reporting.

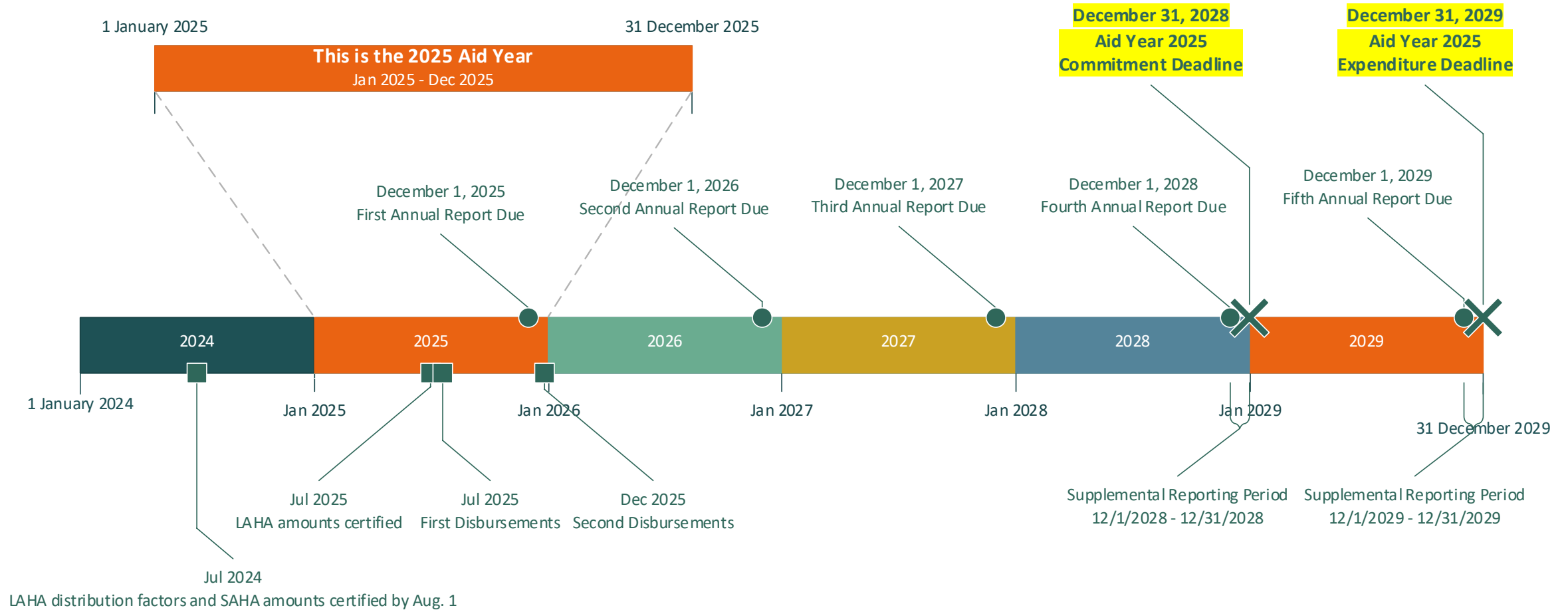
Commitment, Expenditure and Reporting Deadlines

Important Dates:

Aid Year	Fund Commitment Deadline	Expenditure Deadline
All	December 31 in the third year following the year after the aid was received.	December 31 in the fourth year following the year after the aid was received.
2023	December 31, 2026	December 31, 2027
2024	December 31, 2027	December 31, 2028
2025	December 31, 2028	December 31, 2029
2026	December 31, 2029	December 31, 2030

- All Aid Recipients must complete and submit an **Annual Report** addressing its **use of Aid Funds** and its **Locally Funded Housing Expenditures** to Minnesota Housing no later than **December 1 of each calendar year**, starting in 2025.
- Aid Recipients responsible for determining whether and when funds have been committed and expended.

2025 Aid Year Timeline



For reporting forms and instructions

Minnesota Housing website (mnhousing.gov)
Local Government Housing Programs

<https://mnhousing.gov/local-and-statewide-affordable-housing-aid.html>



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