

2026 Multifamily Consolidated RFP/2027 Housing Tax Credit Round 1 Kickoff Event Questions and Answers

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The questions below were asked by the 2026 Multifamily Consolidated Request for Proposals (RFP)/2027 Housing Tax Credit (HTC) Round 1 Kickoff Event attendees. Responses were provided verbally; however, this Q&A may provide further guidance.

Q1. When is the application due?

A1. The 2026 Multifamily Consolidated RFP/2027 HTC Round 1 has three due dates: 1) Intent to Apply, 2) Pre-Applications, and 3) full Application.

The **Intent to Apply** must be completed and submitted in the [Multifamily Customer Portal](#) by **Thursday, May 7 at noon Central time**. The Intent to Apply requests general information about the project and helps Minnesota Housing plan for the potential scope and scale of applications and needed resources. It is the first step for potential applicants to submit a full application and is required for all applicants. There are no application materials or fees collected for this deadline. For more information on how to complete the Intent to Apply, see the [Intent to Apply tutorial](#).

Pre-application(s) for HUD Section 811 Project-Based Rental Assistance and the Innovation Construction Techniques selection criterion are due in the [Multifamily Customer Portal](#) by **Thursday, May 28 at noon Central time**. The pre-applications are optional. However, if you are interested in the HUD Section 811 Project-Based Rental Assistance or the selection criterion for Innovation Construction Techniques, you must complete the applicable pre-application. If determined eligible, applicants will be notified, and they must include the eligibility determination letter as supporting documentation in the designated checklist to claim the points.

The deadline to submit the **full 2026 Multifamily Consolidated RFP/2027 HTC Round 1 application** is **Thursday, July 9 at noon Central time**. The full application has four required areas:

- The [Self-Scoring Worksheet](#) in the Scoring Wizard must be completed and the customer final scoresheet must be submitted in the [Multifamily Customer Portal](#);
- All application materials and checklist items applicable to the project must be completed, uploaded, and submitted in the [Multifamily Customer Portal](#);

- [Qualification Forms for the Development Teams](#) must be updated and submitted through the Agency's [Secure Upload Tool](#); and
- The [Multifamily Fee Remittance Form](#) must be completed and delivered or post marked, along with the application fee, by Thursday, July 9, 2026.

The Multifamily Customer Portal is Minnesota Housing's application processing tool and is the only method Minnesota Housing will accept application(s). The Multifamily Customer Portal will automatically prevent new projects from being created and close applicable checklists at 12:01 p.m. Central time on the date of the designated deadline. If the Intent to Apply, pre-application(s), and/or full application is not submitted on or before the deadline, it may not be accepted.

For more information about the Intent to Apply requirements, the two available pre-applications, and the full 2026 Multifamily Consolidated RFP/2027 HTC Round 1 application, including selection and funding considerations, review the [Multifamily RFP Standards](#).

Q2. Can other application materials and/or checklists also be submitted at the Intent to Apply deadline?

A2. On April 8, 2026, the Multifamily Customer Portal opened the 2026 Multifamily Consolidated RFP/2027 HTC Round 1 Application Checklist. This allowed applicants to:

- Create a project to submit an Intent to Apply in addition to setting up the application's project characteristics (once the characteristics are selected, it will also automatically generate all the required and optional application materials and checklists);
- Complete and submit the pre-application(s), if applicable to the project;
- Complete and submit the Self-Scoring Worksheet in the Scoring Wizard; and
- Complete and submit application materials and checklist items.

Though Minnesota Housing has set specific application deadlines, a potential applicant may submit application materials and checklist items any time prior to the applicable deadline.

Q3. What is the percentage of selection and funding distributed to Greater Minnesota and the Metro?

A3. The Multifamily Consolidated RFP Selection and Funding Framework prioritizes geographic balance of available resources by project type, strategic priorities and selection criteria, financial structure(s), funding requests and project feasibility, and financial and organizational capacity. View the [Introduction to the Multifamily Consolidated RFP, Selection and Funding Framework Training Module](#) for more details.

Minnesota Housing aims to distribute funds across the state evenly when possible. However, annually, the approximate percentage of selection and funding to Greater Minnesota and the Metro varies. The annual Multifamily Consolidated RFP board reports provide year-specific

details. Additionally, the table below illustrates the last three Multifamily Consolidated RFP selections and funding distribution.

Table 1: Selections and Funding for the 2023-2025 Multifamily Consolidated RFPs

Year	Region	Projects	Units	9% HTC	Deferred Loans
2025	Greater MN	10	435	\$ 6,872,879	\$ 63,057,200
2025	Metro	10	710	\$ 5,778,259	\$ 44,858,035
2025	Total MN	20	1145	\$ 12,651,138	\$ 107,915,235
2024	Greater MN	13	510	\$ 6,047,900	\$ 94,749,000
2024	Metro	8	363	\$ 7,187,704	\$ 26,723,000
2024	Total MN	21	873	\$ 13,235,604	\$ 121,472,000
2023	Greater MN	15	686	\$ 6,841,996	\$ 96,795,000
2023	Metro	13	800	\$ 5,829,470	\$ 108,992,000
2023	Total MN	28	1486	\$ 12,671,466	\$ 205,787,000

Q4. What support and changes have the Agency implemented for emerging/new/small developers?

A4. Minnesota Housing’s [Strategic Plan](#) has strong efforts to create a more inclusive, equitable, and just housing system by diversifying the partners with whom we work. Through the [Qualified Allocation Plan](#), Minnesota Housing created and implemented the Black-, Indigenous-, and People of Color-owned Business Enterprises and Women-owned Business Enterprises in the [Self-Scoring Worksheet](#) to support owners and sponsors who historically were not represented in affordable multifamily housing development. With the creation of this selection criterion, the Multifamily Division has created opportunities for diverse ownership and community partnerships.

For more information about the Black-, Indigenous-, and People of Color-owned Business Enterprises and Women-owned Business Enterprises, view the [Self-Scoring Worksheet](#) and [Scoring Guide](#). For additional resources that further support emerging developers, request [Technical Assistance](#).

Q5. Is the feasibility evaluation different pending the number of units or project type? For example, small preservation vs. larger preservation projects?

A5. The Multifamily Division’s feasibility evaluation process for each application that continues to further processing includes a detailed analysis by subject matter staff. This includes, but is not limited to, an architect, asset manager, compliance officer, program manager, underwriter, and supportive housing officer, if applicable. Further, a credit risk officer and/or attorney may also review the organization and its capacity.

All applications that are being further processed will follow the feasibility evaluation process above. Project types and/or size of the project do not change the feasibility evaluation processes.

Q6. When will the Housing Infrastructure Bond (HIB) allocation be announced?

A6. The 2026 legislative session is anticipated to conclude mid-May. Minnesota Housing will learn if the Agency is allocated HIBs at the same time as the general public. Should the Minnesota Housing receive an HIB allocation, it is important to know that HIBs are split between multifamily housing, single-family housing, and manufactured housing; The Multifamily Division would not receive the full HIB allocation approved by legislation.

The Multifamily Division will continue to communicate through our Multifamily Consolidated RFP/HTC Round 1 eNews as we learn more. [Sign up for our eNews](#) for the most updated information.

Q7. Will Minnesota Housing and The Department of Labor and Industry host a joint training on the new prevailing wage requirements?

A7. The Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) has oversight of and expertise in the state prevailing wage requirements. For more information, visit our [Prevailing Wage](#) webpage and review the [State Prevailing Wage Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#).

Questions about your grant/loan contact or certified payroll form submission – Visit Minnesota Housing’s [Prevailing Wage](#) webpage or contact Minnesota Housing at mhfa.prevailingwage@state.mn.us

Questions regarding prevailing wage compliance and wage determination - Contact DLI at dli.prevwage@state.mn.us

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