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Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis awards a record \$17.7 million in Affordable Housing Program grants across Michigan

INDIANAPOLIS — The Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis ("FHLBank Indianapolis" or "the Bank") announced today that the \$17.7 million allocated for its 2024 Affordable Housing Program (AHP) awardees based in Michigan set a single-year Bank record for affordable housing project funding in the state, eclipsing the previous record of \$6.6 million in 2023.

Earlier this year, the Bank awarded AHP funds to 23 Michigan-based projects that will facilitate development of 1,046 units of housing across the state, of which 1,017 units are classified as affordable.

The Affordable Housing Program is a competitive grant that consists of one annual round in which project sponsors, including non-profit organizations and developers, partner with an FHLBank Indianapolis member institution to apply for funds. These grants of up to \$1 million per project will support the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of properties that support affordable housing initiatives across the Bank's district of Michigan and Indiana.

In total this year, the Bank awarded more than \$34.6 million to 42 projects across Michigan and Indiana, another funding record for the Bank. These projects will result in 1,645 additional units of affordable housing across the district, another Bank record. The previous single-year high was 1,548 affordable housing units in 2019.

"For several decades, FHLBank Indianapolis has been on a mission to support community lending and affordable housing development across our district of Michigan and Indiana, and 2024 has been an incredible year on that front," FHLBank Indianapolis President and CEO Cindy Konich said. "In partnership with our members, we're proud to support our district's communities with record investments in those sectors. Community solutions, community driven. That's FHLBank Indianapolis."

The record year in AHP funding comes as increased rent costs across the country have contributed to a significant shortage of housing considered affordable for low- and middle-income households.

Recent findings by the National Low-Income Housing Coalition indicate a shortage of more than 188,000 homes affordable and available to extremely low-income renters in Michigan alone.

"Through our Affordable Housing Program, the Bank is thrilled to support the development of an additional 1,017 units of affordable housing that will house and help stabilize low-income households across Michigan," said MaryBeth Wott, SVP Community Investment and Strategic Planning Officer. "The applications we received this year were impressive in both number and quality, which speaks to the need for continued investment across the state."

Notable 2024 AHP highlights:

- More than **\$34.6 million** awarded across Michigan and Indiana
- \$17.7 million awarded in Michigan alone
- 23 projects in Michigan; 7 projects in Detroit
- 42 total projects across Michigan and Indiana
- Developing **1,017** units of affordable housing in Michigan; **1,046** units total in Michigan
- Developing a total of **1,645** affordable housing units in 2024

Michigan recipients:

Project Name	Location	Member Financial Institution	Project Sponsor	Award Amount
671 South				
Woodland	Muskegon	ChoiceOne Bank	HGA Support Services	\$400,000
		Merchants Bank of	Spire Development,	
Allen Crossing	Muskegon	Indiana	Inc.	\$550,000
		Merchants Bank of	Spire Development,	
Amity Commons	Muskegon	Indiana	Inc.	\$625,000
Auburn Place	Pontiac	Genisys Credit Union	Lighthouse MI	\$760,000
Beacon Place	Pontiac	Genisys Credit Union	Lighthouse MI	\$890,000
Brewster				
Wheeler I	Detroit	Lake Trust Credit Union	MHT Housing, Inc.	\$1,000,000
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Wheeler II	Detroit	Lake Trust Credit Union	MHT Housing, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Brewster				
Wheeler III	Detroit	Lake Trust Credit Union	MHT Housing, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Buersmeyer		CORE Community	Coalition on	
Manor	Detroit	Partners	Temporary Shelter	\$685,596
Building				
Foundations,			Flat River Outreach	
Building Hope	Lowell	Mercantile Bank	Ministries	\$1,000,000
Christian Manor	Muskegon	Mercantile Bank	Samaritas	\$1,000,000
			Goodwill Industries of	
East Bay Flats	Traverse City	West Shore Bank	Northern Michigan	\$800,000

			HomeStretch Nonprofit Housing	
Flats on Bridge	Elk Rapids	Mercantile Bank	Corporation	\$800,000
Housing As You				
Are (AYA)	Grand Rapids	Old National Bank	AYA Youth Collective	\$500,000
Jefferson				
Avenue			CHN Housing	
Apartments	Detroit	Independent Bank	Partners	\$1,000,000
Kendra's House	Grand Rapids	Mercantile Bank	Guiding Light Mission	\$721,760
Lofts of		Merchants Bank of	Muskegon Housing	
Muskegon	Muskegon	Indiana	Commission	\$575,000
			Ann Arbor Affordable	
Lurie Terrace	Ann Arbor	Chelsea State Bank	Housing Corporation	\$1,000,000
Nisbett-Fairman		Lake-Osceola State	Big Rapids Housing	
Residences	Big Rapids	Bank	Commission	\$518,000
Orchard Manor				
Apartments	Flint	ELGA Credit Union	Communities First	\$600,000
Preserve on Ash		CORE Community	The Community	
I	Detroit	Partners	Builders, Inc.	\$600,000
			Volunteers of America	
VOA St. Mary	Detroit	Lake Trust Credit Union	Michigan	\$762,500
West Kalamazoo			The City Rescue	
Phase 1	Lansing	Horizon Bank	Mission of Lansing, MI	\$1,000,000

See the full list of 2024 Affordable Housing Program recipients here.

For more information on how FHLBank Indianapolis supports affordable housing and community development efforts across Indiana and Michigan, visit the <u>Community Programs</u> page on <u>fhlbi.com</u>.

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