

General Obligation
Bonding Subcommittee
Agency Hearing Summary

April 9, 2021
3:00 PM

Agency Hearing Schedule April 9, 2021

Start	End	Agency/Topic
3:00	4:00	Department of Economic and Community Development
4:00	5:00	Department of Housing

Summary Note: Information is provided primarily regarding programs with Governor proposed additional funding or change. Each agency includes a programmatic summary of Governor proposed funding, unallocated balance (funds available under current law that could be approved by bond commission to be spent), and recent allocations. Additional detail is provided on select programs.

Department of Economic and Community Development

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	Gov. Rec 22	Gov. Rec 23	Gov. Rec Cancel
Brownfield remediation and revitalization program projects	17,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	-
Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund established by section 32-70 of the general statutes	-	10,000,000	10,000,000	-
For CareerConneCT workforce training programs	New	20,000,000	20,000,000	-
Small Business Express Program	12,800,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	-
Grant-in-aid to Meriden for the West Main Street streetscape project from Cook Avenue to the Amtrak railroad tracks	800,000			(800,000)
Grants-in-aid to homeowners with homes located in the immediate vicinity of the West River in the Westville section of New Haven and Woodbridge for structurally damaged homes due to subsidence and to homeowners with homes abutting the Yale Golf Course in the Westville section of New Haven for damage due to subsidence	3,000,000			-
Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring children's museums, aquariums, and science-related programs, including CT Science Center in an amount not exceeding \$10.5 million and the Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk not exceeding \$6.6 million	2,600,000			-
Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring cultural and historic sites	10,529,614			-
Manufacturing Assistance Act (MAA) - Economic Development and Manufacturing Assistance Act of 1990 and the Connecticut job training finance demonstration program	77,873,557			-
*CT Strategic Defense Investment Act – Sikorsky - PRIOR	-	9,621,428	9,796,428	-

*The Connecticut Strategic Defense Investment Act bonding was authorized in earlier years, with authorizations scheduled to become effective during the biennium under current law.

Department of Economic and Community Development

Program				
Brownfield remediation and revitalization program projects				

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
17,000,000	30,000,000	10,000,000	30,000,000	17,000,000	35,000,000	25,300,000	-	30,000,000

Summary

The brownfield remediation and revitalization program works in tandem with DEEP's mitigation of contaminated industrial sites program to bring formerly contaminated sites back to commercial use and productivity.

DECD provides low-interest loans and grants to qualified applicants for environmental investigations and remediation activities. Since FY 10 in total the state awarded \$210 million in loans and grants to 251 brownfield projects.¹ The most recent allocation of \$23 million to the program in December 2020 is anticipated to support loans and grants with application deadlines in the Spring of 2021.

Program				
Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund established by section 32-7o of the general statutes				

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
-	8,500,000	6,500,000	-	-	17,100,000	22,400,000	5,000,000	-

Summary

First established in PA 14-98, DECD administers the \$75 million Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund (CMIF), which is a non-lapsing fund to provide workforce development, innovation and development opportunities to manufacturers statewide. Assistance to eligible applicants may take the form of either grants or loans. To date, all authorized funds have been allocated.

CMIF offers programs and initiatives in the areas of: workforce and training, supply chain development, research and innovation, energy, operational improvement, and capital access.

¹ Source: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DECD/OFR/DECD-2019-Annual-Report.pdf>

Program
For CareerConneCT workforce training programs

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
-	-	20,000,000	20,000,000	

Summary

This new program is proposed to be established in SB 881, which also establishes a Statewide Office of Workforce Strategy. The account set up in that bill would allow the funding to be used "for the purposes of funding workforce training programs recommended by the Office of Workforce Strategy."

Additional information about the proposal is available here: <https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/2021-Legislative-Proposals-bills/An-Act-Concerning-Workforce-Development>

Program
Small Business Express Program

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
12,800,000	5,000,000	-	5,000,000	-	30,000,000	24,000,000	6,000,000	5,000,000

Summary

The Small Business Express Program was created by Public Act 11-1 of the October Special Session. The Small Business Express Program provides loans and grants to Connecticut's small businesses to spur job creation and growth. Assistance focuses on: 1) access to capital and 2) incentive loan and grant funds.

Small businesses are eligible if they meet the following criteria:

1. Have operations in Connecticut,
2. Are registered to conduct business for not less than twelve months,
3. Are in good standing with all state agencies and payment of all state taxes, and
4. Employ not more than 100 employees.

Priority for available funding will be given to those eligible applicants who are 1) creating new jobs and 2) within Connecticut's economic base industries, as defined in CGS 32-222, including but not limited to: precision manufacturing, business services, green and sustainable technology, bioscience, and information technology sectors.

PA 16-128 amended the Small Business Express legislation to allow for a portion of Express funding (\$25,000,000 total; \$5,000,000 per year, for five years) to be distributed directly to a minority business development entity in order to provide loans directly to the minority business community.

HEDCO was selected to administer the state's Minority Business Revolving Loan Fund. Since 1975, HEDCO Inc. has helped minority business clients and their communities improve, achieve, and succeed by supporting their growth and progress.

Program
Grant-in-aid to Meriden for the West Main Street streetscape project from Cook Avenue to the Amtrak railroad tracks

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
				(800,000)

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
800,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

PA 07-7 authorized \$2.5 million (FY 08) for the West Main Streetscape project in Meriden, which was subsequently reduced by \$500,000 in PA 10-44. Of the remaining \$2 million authorization, \$1.2 million was allocated by the State Bond Commission for the project in August 2011. The remainder of the project cost was supported by Federal funding of \$725,000.

While program language was changed in PA 15-1 JSS to potentially expand the project area, no allocation has been made since 2011. The Governor's proposal would reduce the entirety of the remaining \$800,000 unallocated balance.

Program
Grants-in-aid to homeowners with homes located in the immediate vicinity of the West River in the Westville section of New Haven and Woodbridge for structurally damaged homes due to subsidence and to homeowners with homes abutting the Yale Golf Course in the Westville section of New Haven for damage due to subsidence

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
3,000,000	4,000,000	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-

Summary

PA 17-2 JSS authorized \$4 million of funds for grants to homeowners with sinking homes in specified sections of New Haven and Woodbridge. In April 2018, \$1 million was allocated for the program purpose.

The State Bond Commission previously allocated \$2 million under the Urban Act authorization for the same purpose. New Haven received \$1.5 million and has expended the majority of their share (there was a balance of about \$5,000 in April 2018). Capital for Change, the non-profit, managed the funds on behalf of New Haven. Most of the eligible applicants who answered the advertisement were funded.

Program								
Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring children's museums, aquariums, and science-related programs, including CT Science Center in an amount not exceeding \$10.5 million and the Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk not exceeding \$6.6 million								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
2,600,000	-	-	-	-	3,400,000	-	-	-

Summary

PA 14-98 authorized \$17.1 million in FY 15, with \$10.5 million for the Connecticut Science Center and the remaining \$6.6 million for the Maritime Aquarium in Norwalk. Between July 2014 and May 2017, all \$10.5 million was allocated to the Connecticut Science Center while \$4 million was allocated to the Maritime Aquarium. None of the remaining \$2.6 million for the aquarium has been allocated since 2016.

Program								
Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring cultural and historic sites								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
10,529,614	-	2,500,000	-	5,000,000	-	5,000,000	-	-

Summary

A total of \$22.5 million has been authorized for the "Good to Great" Culture Grants program since FY 15. \$6,970,386 was allocated by the State Bond Commission for various projects between July 2014 and July 2016, with an additional allocation of \$5 million in July 2018.

2018 recipients included the New England Carousel Museum, the Connecticut Electric Railway Association (also known as the Trolley Museum), the Friends of the Pinney House, Ebony Horsewomen, the Madison Historical Society, the Dennison Society, the Norfolk Historical Society, the Keller Tavern Preservation Society, the Stonington Historical Society (the Old Lighthouse Museum), the Ward Heitmann House Museum, the Eastern Connecticut Center for History, Art and Performance (EC-CHAP), and the Mary & Eliza Freeman Center for History and Community.²

Organizations with annual operating budgets of \$500,000 were eligible to apply for grants between \$25,000 and \$150,000. Awards were in the form of reimbursements, with minimum organizational match of 25% of project costs.

The DECD website indicates the program is suspended indefinitely.³

² <https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Press-Room/Press-Releases/2018/2018-12-21-Funding-to-Enhance-Cultural-and-Historic>

³ https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Historic-Preservation/02_Review_Funding_Opportunities/Grant-Opportunities/Good-to-Great-Grant-Program

Program									
Manufacturing Assistance Act (MAA) - Economic Development and Manufacturing Assistance Act of 1990 and the Connecticut job training finance demonstration program									

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
77,873,557	275,000,000	75,000,000	-	-	94,386,600	262,816,877	15,850,366	21,780,225

Summary

The program is a business development program of DECD, offering grants, loans, tax credits, and other incentives to create and retain jobs in the state.

There is no new funding proposed by the administration for the program. Current law includes a number of specified uses and/or recipients from the total authorization that have not been fully allocated as of the initial presentation of the Governor's proposed capital budget for FY 22 and FY 23.

Recent allocations from the program include \$2 million for the GKN Aerospace Services Structure Corporation, funding for CTNext, and \$6.4 million allocated to the resources of the fund to allow the department to provide smaller loans and grants to state businesses.

Program									
CT Strategic Defense Investment Act - Sikorsky									

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
Prior	Prior	9,621,428	9,796,428	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
-	-	-	9,096,428	9,446,428	-	-	9,096,428	9,446,428

Summary

Adopted in September 2016, the Connecticut Strategic Defense Investment Act establishes a framework for providing financial incentives to eligible aerospace companies engaging in certain helicopter manufacturing projects. The program and subsequent contract with Sikorsky provide \$140 million of bond funds from FY 17 through FY 32, in combination with tax credits.

This program has a previously adopted bond authorization schedule, as shown in the table. All eligible authorizations are allocated and made available to the program based on a contractual agreement with Sikorsky and previous arrangement with the State Bond Commission. The Governor has not proposed any change to the previously adopted contractually binding funding schedule.

Strategic Defense Investment Funding Schedule			
FY	\$	FY	\$
2017	8,921,436	2025	10,321,428
2018	-	2026	10,321,428
2019	-	2027	10,321,428
2020	9,096,428	2028	10,321,428
2021	9,446,428	2029	10,371,428
2022	9,621,428	2030	10,496,428
2023	9,796,428	2031	10,496,428
2024	9,971,428	2032	10,496,428

Department of Housing

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	Gov. Rec 22	Gov. Rec 23	Gov. Rec Cancel
Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund - PRIOR	-	*20,000,000		-
Flexible Housing Program	197,760,435	100,000,000	100,000,000	-
Housing Trust Fund	63,271,905	55,000,000	50,000,000	-
Energy Conservation Loan Fund	750,000			-
Funding for the Department of Housing and Connecticut Children's Medical Center's Healthy Homes Program for the abatement of lead in homes in the state	15,000,000			-
Grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority for the Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (CGS Secs. 8-265cc to 8-265kk)	5,000,000			-
Grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to capitalize the Down Payment Assistance Program established pursuant to sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive, of the general statutes, including providing financial assistance under such program to families and persons with incomes up to and including one hundred twenty per cent of the area median income, not exceeding \$4,500,000, provided not more than \$500,000 shall be for the Mortgage Assistance Program for certain teachers established pursuant to section 8-265pp of the general statutes	9,000,000			-
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the incentive housing zone program established pursuant to chapter 124b of the general statutes	3,500,000			-
Grants-in-aid to nursing facilities for alterations, renovations and improvements for conversion to other uses in support of right-sizing	4,000,000			-
Grants-in-aid to private nonprofit organizations for supportive housing for persons with intellectual disabilities and or autism spectrum disorder (IDASH)	1,524,634			-
Homelessness prevention and response fund	12,125,000			-

***Crumbling Foundations funding was authorized 2017, with the final scheduled authorization to become effective during the biennium under current law.**

Department of Housing

Program
Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund - PRIOR

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
		*20,000,000		

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
-	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	-	20,000,000	40,000,000	20,000,000

Summary

The funds are to further capitalize the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund (CFAF), operated by the now-operational captive insurance company, Connecticut Foundation Solutions Indemnity Company, Inc. (CFSIC).

*PA 17-2 JSS Sec. 553 authorized a total of \$100 million of GO bond funds for the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund, with \$20 million effective per year in each of FY 18, FY 19, FY 20, FY 21, and FY 22. The Governor has not proposed any changes to this authorization.

To date, all \$80 million of the authorization that has gone into effect has been allocated, with the last remaining \$20 million set to become effective in FY 22.

Homeowners affected by pyrrhotite in their foundations were able to begin applying to CFSIC in January 2019 for financial assistance with replacing crumbling foundations.

PA 18-160 created an insurance surcharge that will also generate funding for the CFAF, beginning in FY 2020.

Issue Background:

In September 2018, the Office of Legislative Research published a research report regarding the crumbling foundation issue (<https://www.cga.ct.gov/2018/rpt/pdf/2018-R-0239.pdf>), which included the following summary:

Beginning in the early 1980s, stone aggregate sourced from Becker's Quarry by J.J. Mottes, a concrete company, was used in the construction of several northeastern Connecticut homes. The quarry is located on a vein of rock containing significant amounts of pyrrhotite, a naturally occurring iron sulfide mineral, and as a result the stone aggregate used to produce concrete also contained elevated amounts of this mineral. Pyrrhotite expands when exposed to water and oxygen, which causes concrete containing it to crack and swell. Foundations containing pyrrhotite may develop cracks and gaps that expand over time, impacting the attached structure and causing the concrete to crumble. According to the Capitol Region Council of Governments, homes in at least 36 Connecticut towns are potentially affected by crumbling concrete foundations.

The Connecticut legislature has taken several steps to mitigate the problem, including (1) authorizing bonds for a pyrrhotite testing program; (2) generally requiring homeowners to disclose any concrete problems prior to selling their home; (3) establishing record keeping requirements for companies using stone aggregate in concrete; and (4) creating a captive insurance company, the Connecticut Foundation Solutions Indemnity Company, LLC (CFSIC), and a loan program to assist impacted homeowners with obtaining financial relief and fixing their crumbling foundations.

The full scope of the problem, including its effect on commercial buildings, remains unknown.

Program
Flexible Housing Program

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
50,000,000	50,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
197,760,435	125,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000	75,000,000	85,892,626	152,815,094	97,296,486	27,000,000

Summary

The Flexible Housing Program encompasses several individual housing programs to increase the number of affordable housing units available statewide.

The need for affordable housing in Connecticut is undeniably great. Affordable rental and homeownership opportunities are critical to strong communities and a robust, competitive economy, but housing in the State is unaffordable for too many residents and for many groups this is an acute problem. Much of the affordable housing that is available for the State's neediest households needs to be rehabilitated or redeveloped. As detailed in the Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development and the 2019-2020 Action Plan, in order to address the State's affordable housing needs it is necessary to add new affordable housing units in diverse areas as well as preserve existing units presently serving households in need. It is also essential that all efforts, state and local, be undertaken consistent with responsible growth principles that will make the most efficient uses of energy, land, travel time and other societal resources and that such efforts take full advantage of other public investments in education, health, transportation and economic development.

Permanent supportive housing, and other services enhanced housing, is a critical component of the State's overall approach to enabling its residents to become housed in a stable and sustainable way. The State has evaluated the need for and value of supportive housing to end homelessness, including the relative savings from the expansion of supportive housing compared with the cost of other alternatives (shelters, nursing homes, institutionalization, incarceration, etc.). Accordingly, DOH generally makes supportive housing units a priority within State-funded affordable housing developments

DOH continues to expand the number of available affordable and supportive housing units using the Flex funding appropriated for FY 2021 (27 million). These initiatives include capital funds to make projects awarded 9% low-income housing tax credits financially feasible through gap financing, non-competitive selection of projects by the Commissioner outside of funding rounds, permanent supportive housing, grants for accessibility, , affordable homeownership projects, competitive funding rounds to promote mixed-income projects and innovation in affordable housing development and finance, predevelopment loans, and the revitalization of the State Sponsored Housing Portfolio (SSHP).

SSHP is a portfolio of properties comprising approximately 13,000 affordable units, most of which are owned by local housing authorities and are among the few housing options for the State's lowest income residents. While many have been renovated, more properties continue to be in dire need of revitalization. Governor Lamont continued the focus of a revitalization initiative to correct deficiencies demonstrated through a capital needs assessment of each property followed by prioritized and competitive awards of rehabilitation funding from Flex.

Program
Housing Trust Fund

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
55,000,000	50,000,000	55,000,000	50,000,000	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
63,271,905	-	30,000,000	30,000,000	-	-	10,656,036	7,518,307	30,000,000

Summary

The Housing Trust Fund is used for similar purposes as the Flexible Housing program, but for moderate cost housing programs and units.

The need for affordable housing in Connecticut is undeniably great. Affordable rental and homeownership opportunities are critical to strong communities and a robust, competitive economy, but housing in the State is unaffordable for too many residents and for many groups this is an acute problem. Much of the affordable housing that is available for the State's neediest households needs to be rehabilitated or redeveloped.

As detailed in the most recent Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development and Action Plan, in order to address the State's affordable housing needs it is necessary to add new affordable housing units in diverse areas as well as preserve existing units presently serving households in need. It is also essential that all efforts, state and local, be undertaken consistent with responsible growth principles that will make the most efficient uses of energy, land, travel time and other societal resources and that such efforts take full advantage of other public investments in education, health, transportation and economic development.

DOH is continuing to fund affordable multifamily housing projects throughout the state on a competitive basis, through the competitive funding rounds. Better coordination with our Community Development Block Grant Small Cities and other federal programs in high opportunity suburban towns close to job growth and high performing schools and in urban centers to anchor neighborhood revitalization.

In the 2020 9% LIHTC round, DOH budgeted \$20 million financial assistance, in partnership with CHFA, received 15 applications seeking assistance. The applicants in the aggregate represent \$374 million in affordable housing development. Our new Development Engagement Process launched this year received over 130 submissions with an aggregate request of an estimated \$560 million in assistance from DOH over Fiscal Year 2021, 2022 and 2023. The need far outstrips DOH's resources.

Given the magnitude of the affordable housing needs in Connecticut, DOH expects to continue annually to conduct at minimum two competitive funding rounds (for which HTF funds will be used for appropriate projects) and other competitive funding rounds reflecting the greatest needs for affordable and supportive housing statewide.

Program
Energy Conservation Loan Fund

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
750,000	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	-	-

Summary

Since 2007, \$8.5 million has been authorized for capitalization of the Energy Conservation Loan Fund. \$7.5 million was allocated for capitalization of the fund between August 2008 and January 2015, with another \$250,000 allocation to the fund in April 2018.

The Energy Conservation Loan Fund makes loans to eligible owners of single-family 1-4 unit homes and owners of multi-family properties for the purchase and installation of energy conservation improvements. Single-family homeowners can borrow up to \$25,000 and multi-family property owners can borrow up to \$3,500 per unit with maximum of \$100,000 per building. The loans are made at below market interest rates for a term of ten years. The program is currently administered by Capital for Change, Inc. (single-family program) and Connecticut Housing Investment Fund, Inc. (multi-family program).

Program eligibility is income limited based on 110% of median family income by region. The program administrator for the single-family program notes that effective December 2017, the program is limited to emergency situations only (non-working heating systems and leaking roofs).⁴

Program
Funding for the Department of Housing and Connecticut Children's Medical Center's Healthy Homes Program for the abatement of lead in homes in the state

Agency Req. 22	Agency Req. 23	Gov FY 22	Gov FY 23	Gov Cancel
		Language Change	Language Change	

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
15,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	-	-	5,000,000	-	-

Summary

The Governor's bond bill includes a slight change to authorizing language, which addresses an administration issue accessing the previously authorized funds. \$20 million was authorized in PA 17-2 JSS (\$10 million in each of FY 18 and FY 19), while \$5 million was allocated by the State Bond Commission in July 2018.

The program is designed to aid residents in the abatement of lead and other environmental health and safety hazards. This is the first allocation for this authorization. The program also receives funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which impacts eligibility requirements. Criteria include:⁵

- Privately owned housing built prior to 1978

⁴ <https://www.capitalforchange.org/homeowners/energy-efficiency-programs/ecl-plan>

⁵ <https://www.connecticutchildrens.org/community-child-health/community-child-health-programs/healthy-homes-program/>

- Occupant income less than 80 percent of area median income (AMI)
- For owner-occupant properties, there must be a child younger than age six in the residence or spending significant time at the property.
- Rental properties must charge rent equal to or less than fair market rent established by HUD
- Mortgage, insurance and taxes must be current

Program								
Grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority for the Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (CGS Secs. 8-265cc to 8-265kk)								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
5,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	-	-	-

Summary

\$38 million is currently authorized to capitalize CHFA's Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program, with an initial authorization of \$60 million in PA 12-189, a \$20 million decrease in PA 15-1, and a \$2 million decrease in PA 16-4. \$23 million was allocated for the program between June 2013 and February 2014, before the most recent \$6 million allocation in May 2017.

The Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (EMAP) provides temporary monthly mortgage payment assistance for up to five years to eligible Connecticut homeowners who are facing foreclosure due to a financial hardship. An EMAP loan is secured by a fixed-rate, subordinate mortgage on the homeowner's residence. Repayment of an EMAP loan is required and starts when the homeowner's financial condition sufficiently improves. The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) sets aside 10% of expended EMAP funds on an annual basis to support some of the costs of the program.

Program								
Grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to capitalize the Down Payment Assistance Program established pursuant to sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive, of the general statutes, including providing financial assistance under such program to families and persons with incomes up to and including one hundred twenty per cent of the area median income, not exceeding \$4,500,000, provided not more than \$500,000 shall be for the Mortgage Assistance Program for certain teachers established pursuant to section 8-265pp of the general statutes								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
9,000,000	-	-	4,500,000	4,500,000	-	-	-	-

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
9,000,000	-	-	4,500,000	4,500,000	-	-	-	-

Summary

The Governor proposed Down Payment Assistance Programs (DAP) are intended to provide new funding to existing programs for assistance to targeted recipients. The general program is for individuals who make up to 120% of the area median income, with a carve out for educators.

While the Governor proposed specific funding for the program in the initial bond proposal for the FY 20-21 biennium, the program is administered as part of a revolving fund by, and from the resources of, the

Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA). No allocation of the funds authorized for this particular program has been made since the funds were authorized.

Program								
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the incentive housing zone program established pursuant to chapter 124b of the general statutes								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
3,500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

\$4 million was authorized (\$2 million in PA 12-189 and \$2 million in PA 13-239) to provide grants to municipalities for the incentive housing zone program. \$500,000 of bond funds were allocated in September 2013. No additional allocation has been made since 2013.

This program provides incentives to municipalities for creating Incentive Housing Zones (IHZ) in eligible locations, such as near transit facilities, or an area of concentrated development.

Incentive Housing Developments are residential or mixed-use developments that meet the following criteria: (1) they are located within an OPM-approved IHZ; (2) they are eligible for financial incentive payments; (3) and they set aside lower cost units for a minimum of 20% of the households earning 80% or less of the area median income for minimum of 30 years. Units are considered affordable if they cost no more than 30% of a person's annual income to live there.

Program								
Grants-in-aid to nursing facilities for alterations, renovations and improvements for conversion to other uses in support of right-sizing								
Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation
4,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Summary

\$10 million was authorized in PA 12-189 for grants to nursing homes for conversion and right-sizing. The authorization was reduced by \$4,430,767 in PA 17-2 JSS. Of the remaining authorization, \$1,569,233 was allocated by the State Bond Commission to a variety of nursing home recipients between March 2014 and December 2015. No allocations have been made since 2015.

Program									
Grants-in-aid to private nonprofit organizations for supportive housing for persons with intellectual disabilities and or autism spectrum disorder (IDASH)									

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation	
1,524,634	-	-	-	-	-	12,975,366	5,500,000	-	-

Summary

\$20 million was authorized for the IDASH program in PA 16-4. Allocations were made for FAVARH Bloomfield Supportive Housing (approximately \$6.9 million) and FAVRAH Canton Supportive Housing (approximately \$6.1 million) in February 2018, followed by \$5.5 million for Chrystalis Center Real Estate Corporation in December 2019.

The Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Spectrum Disorder Housing ("IDASH") Program provides grants-in-aid to owners of either existing affordable rental developments or developers of proposed new affordable multifamily rental developments that are interested in creating housing for individuals with intellectual disabilities or individuals with an autism spectrum disorder.

Program									
Homelessness prevention and response fund									

Unallocated Balance 1/1/21	FY 18 Auth	FY 19 Auth	FY 20 Auth	FY 21 Auth	CY 17 Allocation	CY 18 Allocations	CY 19 Allocations	CY 20 Allocation	
12,125,000	-	-	-	-	-	8,000,000	-	-	-

Summary

\$30 million was authorized for the Homelessness Prevention and Response Fund in PA 15-1 (\$15 million in each of FY 16 and FY 17). Total authorization was reduced by \$4 million in PA 16-4 and \$5,125,000 in PA 17-2 JSS. \$750,000 was allocated in January 2016 to begin administration and implementation of the program, followed by an \$8 million allocation in February 2018 to capitalize the fund.

The program is managed by the Corporation for Supportive Housing. The program provides funds to eligible landlords to make capital repairs and upgrades to their units and who will provide the units at no cost to the homeless population. The program also funds operating reserves for creation of permanent supportive housing.

Background: The Homeless Prevention and Response Fund provides forgivable loans and grants to landlords 1) participating in a rapid rehousing program (e.g., waiving security deposits or abating rent for a designated period) and 2) abating rent for scattered supportive housing units.

Participating landlords receive loans and grants to 1) renovate multifamily homes, under the rapid rehousing program, and 2) renovate multifamily homes, fund ongoing maintenance and repair, or capitalize operating and replacement reserves, under the supportive housing rent abatement program. For both programs, renovations include building code compliance work and major improvements.