

Mixed-Income Housing Solutions

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Income Averaging is _____

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complication overwhelming opportunity squeeze



-Timothy Veenstra, IHDA



What is Income Averaging?

- 1 A new minimum set-aside, operates like the other two
 - Applies to rent and income
 - At least 40% of <u>units</u> must be LIHTC, with an average of 60%
 - Bedroom mix and unit size are not considered
 - Elected at 8609

- 2. Applies to how units are designated
 - Not the households themselves
 - No keeping track of a running average household incomes





Which properties are eligible (effective date)?

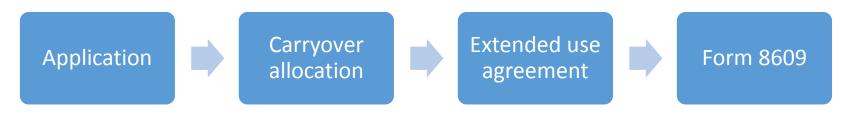
Status of Property	Federal	Allocating Agency





Designating Units

When does it happen?



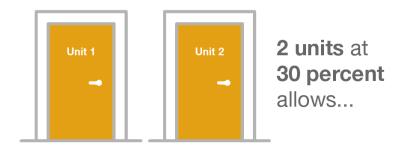
- Can units change designations and, if so, how?
- Definitely will need to shift some if not all units are LIHTC





Designating Units

- Must be 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70% or 80%
- Can reach 60% average in a number of ways
- No federal requirement to designate a pro-rata share







Minimum Set-Asides

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 - Four out of 10 units according to
 - Whatever are their designations

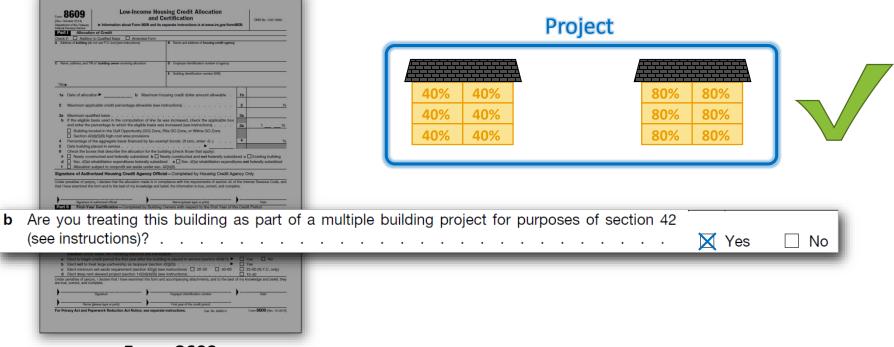
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Multiple Buildings, Multiple Years



Form 8609





Resyndication at Y15

- Even more unknown than setting and shifting designations
- Current existing extended use agreements
 - Remain in effect after a new allocation,
 - Have 60% AMI rent maximums, and
 - Give tenants the right to enforce
- Issue is who counts as a third party beneficiary
- May be easier if the property has unrestricted units





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Agency Implementation

- 12 agencies have issued policies, made statements, etc.
 - CA, GA, IN, MD, MI, MN, OH, PA, SD, TX, WA, WV
 - Known as of June 15th, could be more
- Varied in both extent and substance
- Initial question is availability to recent awards
 - Some allow (unless extended use is recorded)
 - Conditions apply (e.g., scoring, new market study)
- Eventually all QAPs will have a provision





Agency Implementation, con't

- · Consensus (mostly) on
 - Consent from debt and equity
 - Making the multi-building election
- Variation on
 - Parity in the bedroom / AMI designations mix
 - Allowing future designation changes
- Agencies need input from all perspectives, especially compliance experts





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