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PREFACE

For more than 50 years, state Housing Finance Agencies (HFAs) have played a central role in the nation's affordable housing system, delivering financing to make possible the purchase, development, and rehabilitation of affordable homes and rental apartments for low- and middle-income households. The National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization created to advance, through advocacy and education, the efforts of the nation's state HFAs and their partners to provide affordable housing to those who need it.

NCSHA's members are the state HFAs; the HFAs of the District of Columbia, New York City, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands; and the associate agencies that allocate the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (Housing Credit) in the five jurisdictions where an HFA does not. NCSHA's affiliate members include over 300 profit and nonprofit firms in the affordable housing field.

At the center of HFA activity within the states and NCSHA's work in Washington are three federally authorized programs: tax-exempt Housing Bonds, the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (Housing Credit), and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program. NCSHA is the principal advocate in Washington for both Housing Bonds and the Housing Credit and the principal state advocate for HOME.

Using Housing Bonds, the Housing Credit, and HOME, HFAs have designed hundreds of housing programs, including homeownership, rental, and all types of special needs housing. Many NCSHA member agencies also administer other federal housing programs—including Section 8 and homeless assistance—and state housing resources.

HFAs have provided affordable mortgages to more than 3.6 million families to buy their first homes through the single-family Housing Bond program. HFAs have also financed approximately 5 million low-and moderate-income rental homes, including more than 3.9 million rental homes using the Housing Credit.

Each year, NCSHA conducts a comprehensive survey of HFA program activity and compiles it in this publication, the HFA *Factbook*. This information serves several purposes. It supports NCSHA's advocacy within Congress, the Administration, and the numerous federal agencies concerned with housing. It provides hard evidence of HFA program results and successes. And, it gives NCSHA the information necessary to accurately represent and respond to its members' needs and press inquiries. The *Factbook* also allows HFAs to compare their programs and operations to those of other HFAs and to learn from one another. Industry professionals find it an indispensable tool as they work with and provide services to HFAs and the lower-income people they serve.

The 2024 *Factbook* is divided into the following sections: Administration and Budget, Private Activity Bond Volume Cap Usage, Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Low Income Housing Tax Credit, Multifamily Bonds, and HOME Investment Partnerships. Each section begins with a brief description of the program and an analysis of key program data and trends.

NCSHA would like to acknowledge the commitment, dedication, and efforts of the executive directors and staff of the HFAs and other agencies who contributed the extensive data that made the 2024 *Factbook* possible.

ADMINISTRATION AND BUDGET

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A historical perspective on state HFAs, this table indicates the year in which each was created and the nature of its relationship to state government through such factors as budgetary, employment, and supervisory control.

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MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS

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Mortgage Revenue Bonds (MRBs), an important source of funding for HFA homeownership programs, are tax-exempt bond issues HFAs sell to investors, and then use the proceeds to fund below-market mortgages for first-time homebuyers. This table reports both 2024 and cumulative dollar issuance of MRBs, as well as the corresponding number of loans closed.

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MCCs (Mortgage Credit Certificates) provide an alternative source of assistance for first-time homebuyers by providing qualified recipients a nonrefundable federal income tax credit for a specified percent of the annual interest paid on the mortgage loan of a principal residence. This table denotes the total number of MCCs issued for 2024 and the cumulative number of MCCs issued for all years.

Table 6: MCC Mortgage and Borrower Characteristics

This table reports the average MCC mortgage loan amount, average purchase price and borrower income, and the percent of MCC recipients receiving HFA down payment assistance in 2024, among other demographic data.

Table 7: MCC Mortgage Distribution by Income and Area

MCCs are further defined by the percent of certificates given to homeowners of varying income levels and the percent given in federally targeted areas.

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In addition to MRBs and MCCs, HFAs also utilize other methods of financing to help lower-income or first-time home buyers purchase a home. This table outlines the various other funding methods HFAs used in 2024, along with the cumulative dollar amount of such financing and the number of loans closed.

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THE LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

Table 1: Housing Credit Authority

This table summarizes the total Housing Credit authority available in each state in 2024. Total authority includes per capita Credits plus any returned, carryforward, national pool, and disaster Credits.

Table 2: Housing Credit Applications and Allocations

This table reports total dollar amounts of Housing Credits requested and Credits allocated from states' Credit ceilings (9 percent Credits and acquisition Credits associated with 9 percent developments, but not Credits associated with bond-financed properties) in 2024, broken down by new construction, substantial rehabilitation, and acquisition/rehabilitation. Cumulative allocations since the program's inception are also provided for each state.

Table 3a: Units Receiving Allocations

This table denotes the total number of properties receiving 2024 Housing Credit allocations from the state Housing Credit ceiling (excluding tax-exempt bond-financed properties) and the total number of Housing Credit-qualified units in those properties. Breakouts for new construction, substantial rehabilitation, and acquisition/rehabilitation are included. This table also reflects the cumulative number of units allocated Credits for each state.

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This table details the number of units reported in Table 3a that originally received a Credit allocation in a prior year and received a subsequent allocation of Credits in 2024 (but did not return the initial allocation from a prior year). Since these units were reported in a prior year, they are not included in the cumulative unit total on Table 3a.

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This table details the number of units reported in Table 3a that originally received a Credit allocation in a prior year but returned that allocation in order to receive a new 2024 allocation instead (known as a Credit swap or refresh). Since these units were reported in a prior year, they are not included in the cumulative unit total on Table 3a.

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Table 4: Housing Credits and Bonds Allocated to Tax-Exempt Bond-Financed Developments

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Table 5: Tax-Exempt Bond Units Receiving Allocations

This table denotes the total number of tax-exempt bond-financed properties receiving 2024 Housing Credit allocations and the total number of Housing Credit qualified units and market rate units in those properties. Breakouts for new construction, substantial rehabilitation, and acquisition/rehabilitation are included. This table also denotes the cumulative number of tax-exempt bond-financed units receiving Credits for each state.

Table 6: Resyndication—Credit Units and Dollars Allocated

This table provides the Credit amounts and number of units receiving a new allocation (resyndication) of Housing Credits in 2024 (including both 9 percent and 4 percent Credits). Resyndication allows states to preserve older Housing Credit units so that they can remain affordable for the future. A resyndication restarts the affordability period for these units.

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For all units allocated Housing Credits in 2024, this table denotes the percentage of units (including those in tax-exempt bond-financed properties) that elected each of the three minimum set-aside options. This table also shows the percentage of units located in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs) and Difficult Development Areas (DDAs), as well as 9 percent units receiving the state-determined basis boost. Additional detail on the state-designated boost is provided in Table 19.

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For all units allocated 9 percent Housing Credits in 2024, this table describes the percentage that are targeted to tenants at various income levels from 20 percent AMI to 80 percent AMI. Note: In practice, units listed in any of the AMI categories may be occupied by lower income residents but are not reflected as such in this table because those units are not exclusively targeted to lower income categories.

Table 10b: Targeting of 4 Percent/Bond Housing Credit Units

For all 4 percent/bond-financed units allocated Housing Credits in 2024, this table describes the percentage that are targeted to tenants at various income levels from 20 percent AMI to 80 percent AMI. Note: In practice, units listed in any of the AMI categories may be occupied by lower income residents but are not reflected as such in this table because those units are not exclusively targeted to lower income categories.

Table 11: Percent of Housing Credit Units for Specific Populations

For all units allocated Housing Credits in 2024 (including those in tax-exempt bond-financed properties), this table identifies the percentage that will rent to specific populations. Family/General Occupancy housing includes units that are not reserved for other specific populations.

Table 12: Nonprofit Allocations

This table reports the percentage of Housing Credit authority set aside by each agency for nonprofits and the actual Credit amount and percent of nonprofit allocations in 2024. The Housing Credit statute requires states to allocate no more than 90 percent of the Credit ceiling to for-profit entities, thus at least 10 percent of the state's Credit ceiling is typically the minimum nonprofit set-aside.

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Table 14: Extended Low-Income Use Restrictions

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This table denotes both 9 percent and 4 percent Credit allocations states made to RAD projects in 2024 for the preservation and recapitalization of public housing and other HUD legacy programs. The table also provides the unit numbers that correspond to those allocations.

MULTIFAMILY BONDS

Table 1: Number of Multifamily Bond Issues

Bond issues to finance affordable multifamily housing programs may be taxable or tax-exempt. Issuances may be further classified as new money issues, which finance new programs, production, or rehabilitation and therefore serve to increase or preserve the available housing stock; or refundings, which may be issued to pay off and replace older issuances at better interest rates or under more favorable terms, or issued prior to the older bonds' call date with proceeds reinvested until needed, but do not typically increase housing stock. Tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of charitable tax-exempt organizations are referred to as 501(c)(3) bonds, and tax-exempt government purpose bonds may be issued to cover a wide range of housing activities. This table denotes the number of issues sold in 2024 across the categories described above.

Table 2: Dollar Amount of Multifamily Bond Issues

This table provides the dollar amount of bonds issued corresponding to the categories described in Table 1.

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For the bond issues described in Table 1, the projected total numbers of units to be produced are provided.

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Table 6: Percent of Multifamily Bond Units Receiving Other Federal Subsidies

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Table 7: Percent of Multifamily Bond Units for Specific Populations

For all new construction and rehabilitation properties and units issued certificates of occupancy in 2024 from proceeds of bonds issued in any year (Table 4), this table provides unit counts across a range of specific populations.

Table 8: Bond Issuance Utilizing Credit Enhancement/Insurance

Credit enhancements are financial tools, such as bank letters of credit, designed to improve a bond issue's rating by reducing risk, consequently making it more attractive to potential investors. For all multifamily bonds issued in 2024 (Table 1), this table denotes the dollar amount of issues utilizing a variety of different credit enhancements.

Table 9: Risk-Sharing

This table identifies HFAs that have signed an agreement with HUD to participate in the HFA/FHA Risk-Sharing program, along with any production financed in 2024 under the program and the cumulative number of properties and units in the program.

Table 10: Other Multifamily Production (Excluding Bonds, Housing Credits, or HOME)

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HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS

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Table 2: HFA-Administered HOME Funds—FY 2024 and Cumulative

This table identifies the amount of HOME dollars each NCSHA member and associate member agency administered, as a PJ, a subrecipient, or in another capacity, in FY 2024 and cumulatively through FY 2024.

Table 3: HOME Funds Committed—Single-Family

This table provides the dollar amounts of HOME funds committed in calendar year 2024 across a range of single-family activities (including commitments made with funds from program income). The table also provides the number of units assisted with these funds.

Table 4: HOME Funds Committed—Multifamily and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance

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Table 5: Total HOME Funds Committed

This table summarizes the HOME funds committed and units assisted in calendar year 2024 for single-family and multifamily activities and for TBRA programs.

Table 6: Total HOME Funds Requested

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Table 7: HOME Funds for Specific Populations

This table identifies the HOME funds committed in calendar year 2024 to serve a range of specific populations, including persons experiencing homelessness, the elderly, persons with disabilities, veterans, persons with AIDS, rural households, and others. Amounts may fall into more than one category.

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This table provides the number of HOME-assisted units associated with the funding commitments described in Table 7.

Table 9: Percent of HOME-Assisted Units Targeted by Income

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Table 10: HOME Funds Committed to CHDOs and Non-CHDO Nonprofits

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Table 12: Sources of HOME Match Funds

This table describes match sources for HOME funds committed in 2024.