



HOUSING TAX CREDIT CONTRIBUTION (HTCC) PROGRAM OVERVIEW APRIL 16, 2024



2024 HTCC Program Overview Agenda

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- Program Objectives
- Updates & Reminders for 2024
- Application Process & Timeline
- SharePoint
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- Maintaining Compliance
- Project Closeout Reminders
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HTCC Program Objectives



- CHFA administers the HTCC Program which was established by statute to assist nonprofit entities creating Affordable Housing
- Eligible uses of HTCC Funds:
 - Affordable Housing Developments, including:
 - General class
 - Workforce Housing,
 - Workforce Housing Development Project (**NEW), and
 - Supportive Housing
 - Revolving Loan Funds, including:
 - Affordable Housing (general class); and
 - Workforce Housing

**See CGS Section 8-395, as amended effective June 1, 2024



Eligible Applicants



An applicant must have as one of its purposes the construction, rehabilitation, ownership or operation of housing and be:

- a Nonprofit Corporation or a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI);
- established for a minimum period of three years (may consider exception for a Nonprofit formed by a HA);
- in compliance with the requirements of the HTCC Program for any prior awards;
- in compliance with any applicable CHFA Board policy statements; and
- Must demonstrate administrative capability to undertake the proposed project in a timely fashion.

Eligible Uses of HTCC Program Funds:



- Affordable Housing Developments:
 - Rehabilitation or new construction of rental or homeownership housing
- Capitalize a Revolving Loan Fund:
 - Provide low-cost loans for new construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of affordable housing
- Must benefit eligible Extremely Low-, Very Low-, Low- and Moderate-Income households



Available Credit Tax Credits and Limits:

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- The total amount of tax credits available annually is \$10 million
 - \$1 million is set-aside for eligible Workforce Housing
 - \$2 million is set-aside for Permanent Supportive Housing
- No <u>applicant</u> may receive more than \$500,000 in HTCC funding per year
- No one Affordable Housing
 Development may receive more than
 \$500,000 per year or \$1.5 million in
 total over three (3) consecutive funding
 years



Application Evaluation

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Full applications received prior to the deadline are reviewed, rated and ranked based on the following criteria:

- Project Feasibility and Readiness to Proceed;
- Affordability;
- Applicant Capacity/Goals Accomplished;
- Livability Initiatives; and
- Compliance



Application Evaluation Cont'd



- The HTCC review will include input and review from CHFA's Technical Services staff:
 - Qualified Development Team (Contractor and Architect)
 - Development Scope
 - Flood Zone if applicable
 - Historic Preservation Compliance (if available at time of application)
 - Development Budget (Hard costs only)
 - Environmental Site Assessments (Phase I ESA) and Hazardous Materials Survey
 - Building Permits (if available at time of application)



2024 HTCC PROGRAM UPDATES & REMINDERS





1. ConApp Updates & Reminders



2024 ConApp – Items Removed from HTCC Application



- The following items will no longer be reviewed by CHFA and have been removed from the ConApp
- Removal from the HTCC Application does not indicate that these items are not applicable
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure any and all project requirements are adhered to regardless of CHFA review

2024 ConApp – Items Removed from HTCC Application



- Exhibit 4.7 P&Z Approval
- Exhibit 4.9.c Exploded Trade Payment Breakdown (ETPB)
- Exhibit 4.9.d Davis Bacon
- Exhibit 4.9.e Project Cost Summary
- Exhibit 10.8 Housing Consultant Certification

2024 ConApp – Items Updated



- Exhibit 12.12 "HTCC Justification Form" changed to "HTCC Gap Financing Justification Form"
 - No longer requires approval or signature from DOH/CHFA. Submit this exhibit in conjunction with your ConApp.
 - Form has been updated to align with the revised gap financing language in the 2024 HTCC Guidelines (Section II. C., pg 3)

2024 ConApp – Tech Items



- Exhibit 4.4 SHPO (UDPATED)
 - SHPO prefers to review projects that have been awarded funding
 - Applicants will be required to contact SHPO once an HTCC award has been announced
 - If you already have received a SHPO determination, submit that with your HTCC application
 - Applicants must certify that SHPO requirements will be addressed as part of the scope of work

2024 ConApp – Tech Items



- Exhibit 12.6 "Environmental Concerns and Certification" changed to "Environmental Certification" (UDPATED)
 - Summarize all environmental concerns
 - Describe existing conditions and any and all actions that will satisfy all environmental requirements
 - Certify all concerns will be addressed in the scope of work



- 3.1.a. Qualified Dev Team updates
 - Architect to have license issued in the State of CT (submit evidence with application)
 - GC to have Major Contractor's license issued in the State of CT (submit evidence with application)





- 3.1.a. Qualified Dev Team updates
 Exceptions due to Scope of Work:
 - If a licensed architect is not required by the Town/City Building Department given the proposed scope of work, then not required for HTCC (provide evidence with application)
 - If a major contractor's license for the GC is not required by the Town/City Building Department given the proposed scope of work, then not required for HTCC (provide evidence with application)
 - State of CT Home Improvement Contractor license may be acceptable in this case.

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- 3.1.a. Qualified Dev Team updates Exceptions:
 - If the CT Building Code for 1-2 family dwellings does not require services of a licensed architect, CHFA will allow the work to be performed by a contractor that has an active Connecticut Home Improvement Contractor license





- 4.8.b Phase I/II ESA:
 - Required for projects when the scope includes: 1) new construction, 2) additions or bump-outs to existing buildings, and/or 3) new site utility work or any site work which will require excavation or work disturbing existing soil. This includes Single Family developments.



- 4.8.b Phase I/II ESA (Cont'd)
 - Applicants may request an exemption if they provide evidence they are constructing on raw land without any hazardous impacts or if they have an older Phase 1 report for a site they have retained ownership for and can attest that the site: 1) does not contain any underground storage tanks (USTs) for fuel or other potential contaminants, and 2) has not been used for illegal dumping or other prior uses which may lead to soil or water contamination.



- 4.8.b Phase I/II ESA: A Phase 1 is not required for in-place rehabilitation with no site work or any work outside of the building site such as utility work, sidewalks, parking etc.
- 4.8.b Hazardous Materials Survey
- Hazardous Material Surveys are required for all existing buildings that are to be renovated and/or demolished. Asbestos, Lead based paint, Lead in soil, Lead in Water, PCBs, Radon, and a visual Mold survey are all required.

2024 ConApp – Tech Items



- 4.5a: Flood Zone: Info Required
- 4.7: Planning and Zoning Approvals: NOT REQUIRED
- 4.9a: Site Plan Approval: NOT REQUIRED
- 4.9c: Project Cost Summary/ETPB: NOT REQUIRED
- 4.9d: CT DOL Determination Letter: NOT REQUIRED
- 12.3: Historic Significance: REMOVED (refer to 4.4)

2024 ConApp – Tech Items



CHFA Technical Services Questions?





2. HTCC Guideline Updates & Reminders





Gap Financing Requests

- Projects that already have CHFA or a DOH commitment in place (e.g., loan commitment, 9% Reservation)
 - Unavoidable /Unforeseeable cost increases
 - Must demonstrate contingency balance can not absorb and deferred developer fee is maxed out
 - HTCC can not be a substitute for developer cash equity or deferred developer fee
 - Betterments to the project are generally not considered funding gaps (this includes items that were previously removed through VE)



Gap Financing Requests

- Complete Exhibit 12.12- HTCC Gap Financing
 Justification Form and submit with application
 (this form no longer requires CHFA/DOH signature in advance of submission)
- Applications seeking gap financing that already have DOH/CHFA commitments, particularly if balanced sources and uses were required, can anticipate a higher level of scrutiny.
- Applicants applying for gap financing are strongly encouraged to notify their CHFA underwriter in advance of an application submission.



Gap Financing Requests

- HTCC staff will consult with CHFA underwriting, technical services staff and leadership to determine need and eligibility.
- CHFA may rely on project information and circumstances known that relate to existing DOH/CHFA commitments
- Final determination for eligibility for HTCC gap financing requests is at the sole discretion of CHFA.



Evidence of Firm Financial Commitments

- Energy Rebates: firm commitment is a countersigned application (new construction) or letter of agreement (rehab)
- Deferred Developer Fee is considered firm if it is supported by a fully executed partnership or operating agreement
- Reserves: third-party evidence from the entity that holds/releases the reserves that shows that they will be used for the HTCC project. This includes CHFA held reserves. If the applicant holds the reserves, a board resolution is needed.



Evidence of Firm Financial Commitments (continued)

- 9% LIHTCs: Reservation Letter
- 4% LIHTCs: Firm commitment for TEBs
- Applicants are encouraged to review the Guidelines (pg 7) to ensure that that proper documentation is submitted for all firm financial commitments that you are claiming points



Permanent Supportive Housing

- If applying under this set-aside, include evidence that:
 - The APPLICANT is itself a Qualified Service Provider as listed and defined in the most current Supportive Housing Guideline



Application Requirements

- RLF Evidence of Leveraged Funds (Points item, Exhibit 14.7)
 - Only funds that are available/accessible to the applicant will be considered leveraged funds (e.g- Line of Credit, Money Market, Loan/Grant Agreement)
 - Provide evidence that funds are available to be loaned and recent balance within 90 days of application deadline (e.g. bank statement or certified letter from accountant)

Application Requirements

- Revolving Loan Funds
 - Provide detailed description of program and copies of documents/templates to be utilized in administration of the fund (Exhibit 12.4)
 - NP certifies that uncommitted balances of previous HTCC revolving loan awarded funds do not exceed \$750,000 at the date of application. (Exhibit 12.5)
 - Committed funds do not count towards the \$750,000 limitation.



Application Requirements

- Workforce Housing Set-Aside (Reminder!)
 - If units can not be sold/rented to qualified household that live in the municipalities where they work, the funds will need to be returned.
 - There are no waivers or adjustments to this requirement.
- Workforce Housing committing to Low Income Housing Service Period must provide copy of proposed deed/use restriction (Exhibit 14.6)





2024 Guideline Reminders RLF Compliance

- Funds are expected to be exhausted prior to three-year timeframe
- The fund must stay open for a minimum of three years; continue to provide quarterly reports
- Revolved funds should be receipted back to segregated account during the minimum three-year period





<u>Critical Compliance Components</u> <u>Summarized</u>

- Obtain necessary project approvals (e.g.: zoning changes, municipal approvals, permits)
- 2. Maintain segregated bank account and accurate accounting records
- 3. Make good faith efforts to market the Housing Program





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<u>Critical Compliance Components</u> <u>Summarized (Continued)</u>

- Meet the required timeframes (complete 3 years from Date of Approval or Fund Inception for RLF)
- 5. Submit timely, accurate, and complete Quarterly and Closeout Reports
- 6. Seek approval for Housing Program changes and modifications (e.g.: budget revision, scope changes, HTCC allocation, income targeting, unit changes etc.)

2024 Guideline Reminders

<u>Critical Compliance Components</u> <u>Summarized (Continued)</u>



8. Avoid penalties and noncompliance designations







3. Rating and Ranking Changes



2024 Rating and Ranking Changes <u>Housing Development &</u> Housing Development Workforce Points



- CHFA aims to support smaller projects with fewer units and fewer public resources through the HTCC program
- Changes to the 2024 scoring reflect this ongoing priority



2024 Rating and Ranking Changes Housing Development &

Housing Development Workforce Points

- 1.b. Balanced Sources and Uses points removed.
 - Applicants will continue to receive points for firm commitments in 1.a.
- 1.b. (was 1.c) % of project funded by HTCC
 - No points awarded for projects that have < 10% of project funded by HTCC Proceeds
 - Up to 8 Points awarded for > or =10% and < or =
 75% of project funded by HTCC Proceeds



2024 Rating and Ranking Changes <u>Housing Development &</u> Housing Development Workforce Points

- 2.c. Supportive Housing Points.
 - MOU or Service Plan in place that must be approved by DHMAS
 - Points awarded for targeting homeless/ chronically homeless
- 3.b. Number of years of relevant experience
 - REMOVED

2024 Rating and Ranking Changes



Housing Development &

Housing Development Workforce Points

- 2.b. Nonprofit Applicant Involvement NEW
 - Five points awarded if the Nonprofit applicant meets any of the following:
 - For LIHTC projects, NP is sole member of general partner/managing member (if HA and NP share membership/partnership this would be acceptable),
 - 2) NP is the property manager of the Housing Development,
 - 3) Developer is the NP (or NP is sole member of the development entity), or
 - 4) NP is the full or sole member of the ownership entity.



2024 Rating and Ranking Changes Housing Development &

Housing Development Workforce Points

- 4.d. State Sponsored Housing Portfolio (SSHP). Points reduced from 7 to 5.
- 4.e. # of Total Units in the development NEW
 - Up to five points awarded for smaller projects with 20 units or less

2024 Rating and Ranking Changes <u>Loan Fund Workforce &</u> <u>Revolving Loan Points</u>

No changes made in 2024





2024 Quarterly & Closeout Reports



- Reports have been revised and are posted on CHFA website
- 2024 Awards required to use new forms

General Info & Forms

- 2024 HTCC Round Guidelines
 This provides general information and guidance on the application associated with the state Housing Tax Credit Contribution (HTCC)
- HTCC Quarterly Progress Report Form
- HTCC Quarterly Progress Report Form Revolving Loan Fund
- 2023 HTCC Overview Session Presentation This is an overview of the Housing Tax Credit Contribution (HTCC be held in April of 2023.
- 2023 HTCC Round Guidelines
 This provides general information and guidance on the application associated with the state Housing Tax Credit Contribution (HTCC)
- HTCC Certificate of Project Completion
- HTCC Certificate of Project Completion Revolving Loan Fund

CHFA Procedures



- HTCC Program Procedures are unchanged from the last revision of early 2015
- HTCC Program Procedures may be found in Section IV TAX CREDIT PROGRAMS of the CHFA Procedures located on the CHFA website.



Income Limit Updates

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- HTCC Rental Housing Programs/RLF utilize <u>HUD Section 8 Income Limits</u>
- HTCC Homeownership Housing Programs/RLF utilize the <u>CHFA Single</u> <u>Family Income and Sales Limits</u>
- Income and sales price limits may be adjusted annually



Applicable Policies

CHFA Board Policy Statements apply to the HTCC Program, and include:

- Program Eligibility Requirements:
 Delinquent or Non-Performing
 Applicants Policy Statement
- Multifamily Rental Housing Development Costs - Policy Statement
- Any other policies as may be applicable







APPLICATION PROCESS AND FUNDING TIMELINE





- Applicants must use version 2024 of the CHFA-DOH Consolidated Application (which is available through the required SharePoint application site)
- Complete applications must be submitted through SharePoint no later than June 5, 2024 by 4:00 p.m.
- Deficiency Letters will not be sent.
- Applications missing "T" or Threshold items from the Exhibit Checklist will not be given further consideration.



- Applications scored against the program criteria
- Top scoring Housing Programs will be recommended for reservations until the pool of \$10,000,000 is exhausted
- Announcements made in September
- Approved applicants will have 60 days to provide executed Business Firm commitments







- The Business Firm makes the HTCC payment or "contribution" to the award recipient for its Housing Program
- The award recipient provides evidence in the form of a notarized statement with a copy of the check <u>and evidence that the</u> <u>funds are in a segregated account</u>
- CHFA issues a tax credit voucher to the Business Firm



 Any uncommitted funds become available to the next highest ranked applicants who are able to secure Business Firm commitments

 Business Firm commitments for these uncommitted funds will be due 30 days from notification of funds availability



2024 Calendar



May

SharePoint Site Requests must be received by May 31,
 2024

June

Applications due to SharePoint on June 5, 2024 by 4:00 PM

September

 Announcement posted on CHFA's website of eligible Housing Programs to which Business Firms contribute

November

- Contributing Business Firm applications are due to CHFA November 2024
- Uncommitted funds become available to the next highest ranked applicants who can secure Business Firm commitments

December

 Applications for contributing Business Firms for uncommitted funds are due to CHFA by December 2024





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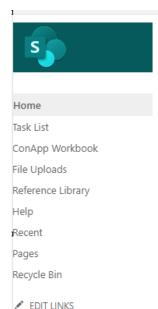




What is SharePoint

SharePoint is used to submit a Consolidated Application to CHFA and DOH

It is a Microsoft-based product that will create a website for each application submitted, and then allow direct download of information for the recipient





EDIT LINKS

The Housing Tax Credit Contribution (HTCC) Program provides funds through tax credit vouchers for Business Firms making contributions to Affordable Housing Programs developed, sponsored or managed by Nonprofit Corporations that benefit Very Low-, Low- and Moderate-Income households. The total amount of tax credits available annually is \$10 million. The law requires annual allocation set-



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asides of \$1 million for Workforce Housing and \$2 million for Permanent Supportive Housing. The remaining balance is ascribed to a general class.

For additional information, please use the documents available in the Reference Library as well as any that may be available on the CHFA website.

1. Technological Prerequisites:

Due to the technologies and file sizes involved in completing this application, it is important that you meet or exceed the following technological requirements/recommendations prior to attempting this funding application:

- You must use Internet Explorer (version 10 or above) as your web browser. Any other web browser will limit the
 functionality of the Consolidated Application workbook.
- You must have Microsoft Excel (version 10 or above) installed on your computer. Older versions of Microsoft Excel will limit the functionality of the Consolidated Application workbook.
- · It is recommended that your Internet connection be at least 10MB/down 1MB/up to avoid long wait times.



How to get access to SharePoint

- The Applicant should send an email to <u>applicationrequest@chfa.org</u> providing:
- Funding Round (e.g., 9% LIHTC, HTCC, SSHP, etc.)
 - Application Name (Project Name)
 - Company Name (Applicant)
 - Primary Contact Name
 - Primary Contact Email
 - Primary Contact Phone
 - Email addresses of any additional users who need access
- Each application request will require a separate email to be sent
- Allow 2-3 business days for website to be created
- Receive email with access to the application specific website
- A Microsoft Account will have to be created for each email address used in SharePoint
- All SharePoint requests must be submitted by 4:00 PM on Friday, May 31, 2024, to allow time to create the application websites



- SharePoint allows site sharing, which means multiple team users can work on the application concurrently.
 This allows multiple users to:
 - Assign and complete tasks
 - Update one Consolidated Application workbook
 - Upload files as necessary
 However, team members cannot share the site with others, request to add users must be made to applicationrequest@chfa.org.





SharePoint – Task List

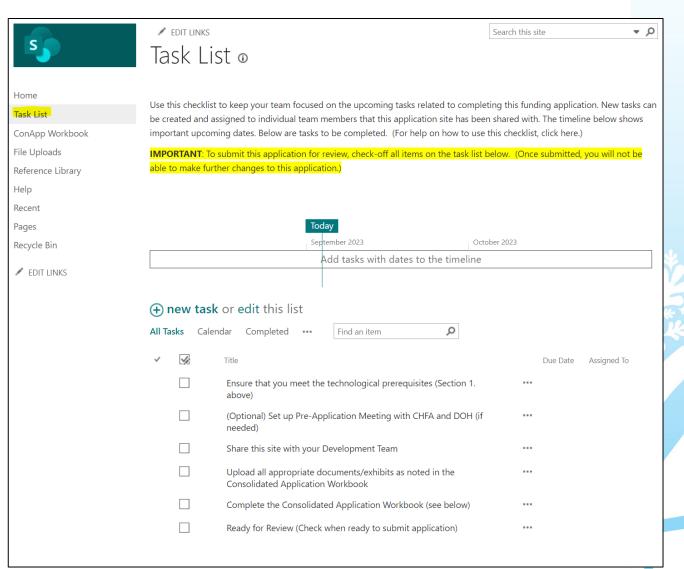
- Shows list of tasks associated with the application
- Tasks can be assigned to specific team members and be given due dates
- Provides a timeline of activity prior to application submission date
- Once all items are checked off, the application website will lock, and your application will be submitted













Consolidated Application Workbook

- Built into SharePoint and can be downloaded from SharePoint
- Can be edited and saved directly to site allowing team members to work on the same file, most updated version.

Microsoft updated their security protocols and disabled macros in files from the internet. The workaround to enable macros is to download and save the ConApp to your PC and then open it from there. Upload back to SharePoint when complete (prior to submission deadline)

- Can be downloaded from CHFA and DOH websites, then uploaded to SharePoint when complete (prior to submission deadline)
 - The version submitted must be the same as what is available to download from the SharePoint application site (Home page)



Consolidated Application Workbook



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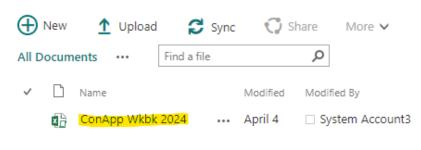
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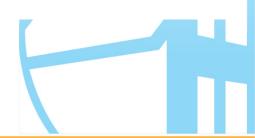
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ConApp Workbook o

The Microsoft Excel Consolidated Application Workbook is listed below. Click the workbook to open it in Excel on your desktop. Once it is opened on your desktop, choose the type of application you will be applying for by pressing the appropriate buttons on the Exhibit Checklist form. Be sure to click the "Core Items" button first, then the appropriate funding source button to show the applicable information. When you click the save button it will automatically upload your latest changes here. (For help on how to complete this workbook, click here.)



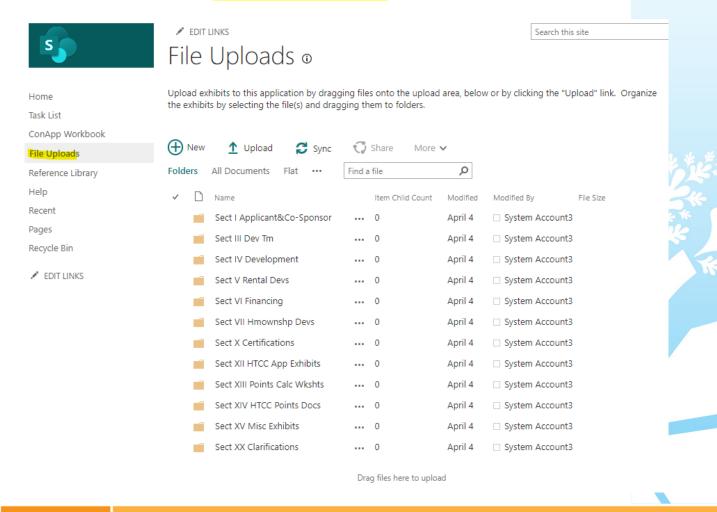
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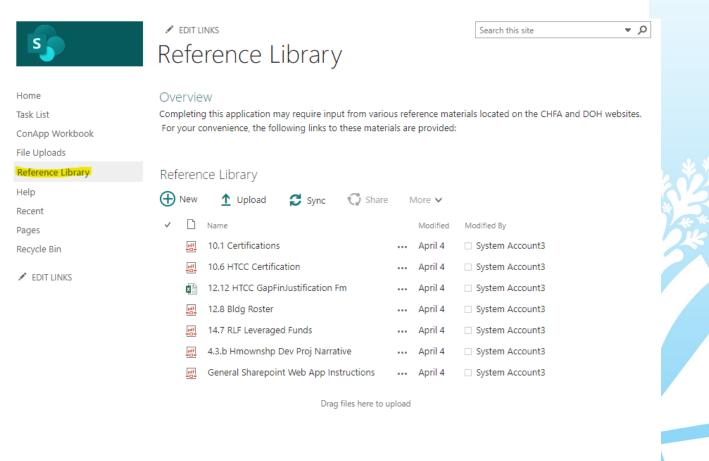
- Section folders are aligned with sections in the Consolidated Application
- Upload files to the relevant section folders
- Keep file names short and relevant







 This section includes templates and forms that are to be completed and submitted with each application (as applicable)

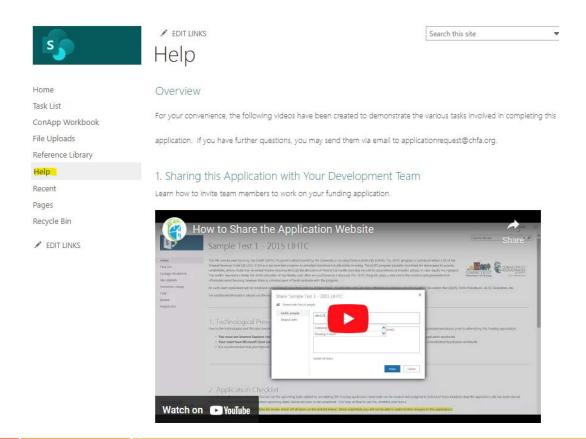






Help Section

- There is a Help section available to walk users through the steps to use each section of the SharePoint website
- Accessed through the menu in the upper left section of the Home screen, or by clicking help links in each section description







Submitting the Application

- Applications for HTCCs are due by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, June 5, 2024
 - SharePoint will be locked for further editing after this time, and any items that are not completely uploaded by then will be considered deficient
- It is recommended to upload documents as they are completed to avoid any potential submission errors due to attempts to upload to the site at the cutoff time
- CHFA will not review any uploads to the SharePoint site until after the application submission date/time
- Nothing submitted via email will be considered as part of the application unless requested specifically by CHFA or DOH
- To submit your application and lock your website, mark all the items in the Task List section as complete.

CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION







Consolidated Application

- Large Excel workbook designed to be used for numerous funding rounds
- Includes templates for required forms and instructions
- Shows Threshold Requirements for each type of application (Exhibit Checklist)
- Has links throughout for ease of navigation and reference
- Includes buttons on the Exhibit Checklist to show only necessary items based on the funding round







Using The Consolidated Application

- Start on the Exhibit Checklist, by clicking the "Core Items" button, then clicking the appropriate funding round buttons
- This will hide any items not needed for that specific round
- If a mistake is made, or additional exhibits are needed, click "Show All"
 - Information will not be lost, just hidden until "Show All" button is selected
- Fill out blank fields, checkboxes, drop downs on the Application worksheet











| 4.1 <u>Development Information</u> | | | | |
|--|----------------|-----------|------------|---|
| Development Name | | | | Drop Downs |
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| Development Type Family | , | | | 1.1 Applicant (Owner/Mortgagor) |
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| PITAL, GRANTS, Etc. | Sources | Sources | [Y] or [N] | If awarded funds pursuant to this application, will the applicant or co-sponsor |
| DOH / HUD HOME Funds | | | | be-formed and anticipated name and date formed. |
| DOH Affordable Housing Program - FLEX | | | | |
| DOH Housing Trust Fund | | | | Please check appropriate Applicant type: |
| DOH / HUD CDBG Small Cities Funds | | | | ☐ Housing Authority |
| DOH Other [Specify] | | | | ☐ Partnership* ☑ Limited Liability Company |
| Other Public Funds [Specify] | | | | ☐ Other |
| Federal LIHTC Net Proceeds | | 0 | N/A | If "Other" |
| Federal Historic Tax Credit Net Proceeds | | | N/A | II Outer |
| State Historic Tax Credit Net Proceeds | | | N/A | |
| CT HTCC Tax Credit Proceeds | | | N/A | |
| Developer / Investor Cash Equity | | | N/A | Checkboxes |
| Homeownership Sales Proceeds | | | | |
| Energy Rebates | | | | Ш |
| Existing Property Reserves | | | | |
| Other [Specify] | | | | |

Other [Specify] Sub-Total

Using The Consolidated Application

- Complete other required worksheets to be included with submission
- Print and sign any applicable signature documents.
 - Scan and upload signature documents with application submission via SharePoint
- Version # 2024 must be used for submission
- If something needs to be modified, a request to unlock specific sections can be made, but must include an explanation









MAINTAINING COMPLIANCE





- Program compliance begins after credits are awarded
- Compliance consists of Quarterly Report submissions and site visit inspections with CHFA staff and the sponsor
- Quarterly Reports are due no later than the 15th of January, April, July, and October of each year for three years or until the project has closed out



- Quarterly Reports and all back-up documentation must be uploaded to the HTCC dropbox via the link on the CHFA website
- Quarterly reports must be accompanied by a disbursement/accounting summary of the Housing Programs segregated account, applicable invoices, and progress photos taken at the properties.
- Information must match submitted quarterlies, if permits and financing commitments weren't provided during application they should be provided once obtained.





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- In accordance with the HTCC Guidelines, changes to the allocation of HTCC funds must be discussed with CHFA. Their intended use is not fungible.
- Any material deviation requires CHFA written consent, failure to obtain written consent shall be considered an event of noncompliance.



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- Failure to submit Quarterly Reports and/or respond to findings of noncompliance will have a negative impact on all future applications by the sponsor or any affiliated entities
- Applicants who fail to timely provide four (4) quarterly reports or those with Housing Programs in material noncompliance may be ineligible to apply for funds and will be classified as programmatic noncompliant



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 Applicants are advised to familiarize themselves with CHFA's Policies, Procedures and Guidelines so that they are aware of the penalties for noncompliance.



HTCC Closeout

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- Upon project completion, each applicant is required to complete a project closeout form
- Applicants should additionally provide:
 - Certificates of Occupancy
 - Notarized CHFA Certificate(s) of Completion
 - Summary of expenditures
 - Evidence of non-profit continued compliance (tracked by CHFA)



HTCC Closeout

- Failure to submit final completion documents within ninety (90) days of project completion will result in the ineligibility of the applicant in the HTCC Program for a period of two (2) consecutive funding rounds.
- Failure to proceed with the Housing Program or demonstrate completion within the required timeframe with may result in funds being reclaimed and/or ineligibility of the applicant in the HTCC Program for a period of two (2) consecutive funding rounds.







2024 HTCC Program Overview Top 10 Tips!





- 10. Cultivate potential relationships: the pool of investors is not deep.
- 9. Don't wait until the last minute to submit your application give yourself time to address questions or issues with your submission.
- 8. Follow the Exhibit checklist and read the application to clearly understand what is required If there is a "T" on the checklist, it is a threshold requirement.



- 7. If you are an applicant checking "Yes" that there is an identity of interest between development team members, you must submit certification explaining the relationship.
- 6. Total expected sources should not include the current HTCC request (Housing Development Points Worksheets). There is a separate line for prior round HTCCs.



- 5. Issues arise when applicants alter, edit, or delete parts of the Consolidated Application, including formulas, which causes errors because many of the worksheets are linked and are threshold exhibits.
- Avoid having conflicting information, like the unit mix on the application tab vs. rental income sheet – double check your application before submission.
- 3. Applicants submitting an application that is missing threshold item(s), no matter how minor they may seem may not move forward in the round due to missing threshold items.



- 2. Applicants should read the Guidelines and ensure they meet application requirements.
- Read the instructions in the ConApp carefully.
 Remember there is NO DEFICIENCY PERIOD –
 double check and triple check your
 application submission to make sure all
 required items are included.



Tips for Applicants Previously Funded



- Maintain program compliance and eligibility to apply.
- Submit complete quarterly reports on time, using the proper forms.
- If an applicant needs to make changes to their housing program after they have been awarded, they should submit their request as soon as possible.
- Keep track of your closeout date and make sure to submit required closeout materials on time.

Contacts



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