

Public Notice

The City of Houston (City) through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) proposes Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing the use of the Legal Documents for the Harvey Homebuyer Assistance Program 2.0 (HbAP 2.0). The legal documents include but are not limited to the Deferred Payment Loan Note, Second Lien Deed of Trust, Terms and Conditions, and Forgivable Loan Agreement.

The HbAP 2.0 will help improve homeownership affordability for residents affected by Hurricane Harvey. Through allocated Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery 2017 (CDBG-DR 17) funds, the HbAP 2.0 will provide Houston residents with funds for down-payment assistance, closing costs, subsidized interest rates and principal buydown to eligible low-to moderate-income and urgent need homebuyers meeting the definition of a First-Time Homebuyer. All households must meet income criteria and Disaster Recovery requirements. Applicants who resided in the City of Houston jurisdiction on August 25, 2017, at the time of Hurricane Harvey, and are interested in purchasing a home may be eligible for assistance and funding must be available.

The public has thirty (30) days to comment on this proposed item. The 30-day period extends from Wednesday, April 23, 2025, through Friday, May 23, 2025. Upon completion of the 30-day public comment period, HCDD will take this item to the City Council. For additional information on this item, contact Kenneth Brown at (832) 469-5834. Written comments can be submitted by email to Kenneth.Brown3@houstontx.gov.

For specific questions or concerns about landlord/tenant relations, please contact Yolanda Guess-Jeffries at (832) 394-6200 ext. 1. For any information about our Complaints and Appeals Process, please access the following: <https://houstontx.gov/housing/complaints.html> and <https://houstontx.gov/housing/appeals.html>. For more information about HCDD and its programs, please access HCDD's website at www.houstontx.gov/housing.
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