

HOME Program Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Certification Application

CITY OF HOUSTON

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Organization Name:

Date:



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CHDO Application Instructions

A. Program Summary

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) is administered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City of Houston, as a Participating Jurisdiction (PJ), receives funds under the HOME Program, which is administered by the Housing and Community Development Department (HCD). HUD has established minimum criteria for eligibility as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). In addition, HCD has established criteria to ensure that the goals established in the Consolidated Plan are accomplished.

At least 15 percent of HOME funds must be set aside for specific activities to be undertaken by a special type of nonprofit called a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). A CHDO is a private nonprofit, community-based organization which has staff with the capacity to develop affordable housing for the community it serves. In order to qualify for designation as a CHDO, the organization must meet certain requirements pertaining to their legal status, organizational structure, and capacity and experience.

With PJ approval, CHDOs may use HOME funds for all eligible HOME activities. However, in order to count towards the 15 percent set-aside, a CHDO must act as the owner, developer, or sponsor of a project that is an eligible set-aside activity. These eligible set-aside activities include: the acquisition and/or rehabilitation of rental housing; new construction of rental housing; acquisition and/or rehabilitation of homebuyer properties; new construction of homebuyer properties; and direct financial assistance to purchasers of HOME-assisted housing that has been developed with HOME funds by the CHDO. For more information on Community Housing Development Organizations, see 24 CFR 92 Subpart G:

- 24 CFR 92.208 - Eligible Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) operating expenses and capacity
- 24 CFR 92.300 - Set aside for Community Housing Development Organizations
- 24 CFR 92.301 - Project-specific assistance to Community Housing Development Organizations

B. Submission Format

HCD is responsible for accepting and evaluating all applications for CHDO designation on behalf of the City. The Application must include the following completed items:

1. Original Application with Signatures submitted electronically

Note: Incomplete Applications or improperly compiled CHDO Applications will not be accepted.

C. Contact Information

Questions and requests for technical assistance may be directed to the CHDO Program Administrator at:

City of Houston
Housing and Community Development
CHDO Program Administrator
2100 Travis Street, 9th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002
Phone: 832-394-6200
Email: singlefamilychdo@houstontx.gov

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Document Checklist		Yes	No	N/A
Cover Letter				
Proof of Completion of HUD's Building HOME Online Training				
PRIMARY INFORMATION & CERTIFICATION				
Authorized Official Certification / Signature				
Certification of Signatures and Address				
Geographic Designation				
Service Area Map				
LEGAL STATUS				
Legal Opinion of Non-Profit Status				
Certificate of Fact				
Certificate of Account Status				
Charter				
Articles of Incorporation				
By-Laws				
IRS 501 (C) 3 Certificate Letter				
Board Meeting Minutes				
Resolutions / Amendments				
CAPACITY				
Affidavit of Standards for Financial Management				
Past & Current Development Performance				
Fiscal Soundness				
Community Experience Report				
Applicant Organization Paid Staff and Capacity				
Individual Staff (Employee) Capacity Checklist				
Consultant Experience Certification				
FISCAL INFORMATION				
Most Recent Approved Budget (including income and expenses)				
Internal Revenue Service Form 990 - Current Tax Year				
Audited Financial Statement or Set of Basic Financial Statements				
ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE				
Certificate of Board Status				
Affidavit of Board Low-Income Representation				
Certificate of Low-Income Representation				
Low-Income Input Report				
Religious or Faith Based Organization Certification				
Applicant Current Organization Charts				
OTHER	Attachment Name			
Attachment 1				
Attachment 2				
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Attachment 4				

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Primary Information & Certification

Organization Name			
Mailing Address			
City		Zip Code	
Contact Name			
Contact Title			
Contact Phone Number		Contact Fax Number	
Contact E-Mail Address			
Tax ID Number		Unique Entity ID (UEI)	
SAM.gov Number		Expiration Date	
MWSBE/MWBE Number		Expiration Date	
Board President Name			
President's Phone Number			
Indicate if the non-profit or parent organization has a CHDO designation in another State.			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If "yes" indicate locations			
Indicate if the non-profit has a CHDO designation with another Participating Jurisdiction (PJ).			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If "yes" indicate locations			
I certify the submission of this Application has been approved by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors.			
Board President Signature	Date		

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Authorized Official Certification/Signature

1. The information and statements contained in this Application and any of its Attachments are true and correct;
2. Any information and/or documentation submitted in connection with this Application may be subject to public disclosure;
3. Neither it nor any of its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment or suspension declared ineligible or excluded from participation in the HOME Program by any Federal department or agency;
4. No member, employee, officer, agent, consultant or official of the Applicant or Ownership Entity, nor any member of their immediate family, during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in any award of HOME funds made pursuant to this Application;
5. Any changes in the facts and information supplied in this Application or in any of its Attachments may result in denial or withdrawal of any HOME funding awarded to this CHDO Designation.

Executed this _____ day of _____ 20____

Full Name of Organization

Printed Name and Title of Highest Authorized Official

(Signature, Highest Authorized Official)

*Printed Name of Board Chair/President
(This person could be different from the Highest Authorized Official.)*

(Signature, Organization's Authorized Official - Board Chair/President)

Sworn to and Subscribed before me on the _____ day of _____, _____, by,
_____ on behalf of _____

Notary Public Name

Notary Public Signature

Commission Expires: _____

Notary Seal

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Certification of Signatures and Address

The Board of _____ met on the _____ day of the month of _____, _____ and authorized the below named individuals to sign contracts, amendments, disbursement requests and other documents requiring such signatures as a part of the City of Houston HOME CHDO Designation.

Name & Title - Board President (Printed)	Signature
Name & Title (Printed)	Signature
Name & Title (Printed)	Signature

In addition, the following individuals have been authorized to serve as the primary and secondary contacts for the organization for matters relating to the City of Houston HOME CHDO Designation.

Primary Contact		Secondary Contact	
Name		Name	
Title (Highest Operational Officer)		Title	
Phone		Phone	
Email		Email	

The address to which all correspondence and payments to the organization shall be sent is listed below:

Address			
City	State	Zip	

Changes to authorized signatures, contact persons or address shall be made in writing to the City of Houston Housing and Community Development.

Signature of Board President	Date
Signature of Secretary	Date

I hereby certify the foregoing statements and attachments are true and correct.

By		Title		Date	
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Geographic Designation

Service Area Clearly define the geographic service area, City Council District and/or Super Neighborhood. **Attach a Service Area Map** showing the boundaries the Applicant serves. Describe in detail the boundaries of the service area the Applicant serves.

Check the designated City Council District(s) your organization serves as your specific geographic designation

<input type="checkbox"/>	District A	<input type="checkbox"/>	District G
<input type="checkbox"/>	District B	<input type="checkbox"/>	District H
<input type="checkbox"/>	District C	<input type="checkbox"/>	District I
<input type="checkbox"/>	District D	<input type="checkbox"/>	District J
<input type="checkbox"/>	District E	<input type="checkbox"/>	District K
<input type="checkbox"/>	District F		

List the Super Neighborhood(s) if the entire City Council District is not covered

<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Check the activities your organization participates in currently

<input type="checkbox"/>	Acquisition/rehabilitation of rental housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	New construction of rental housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Acquisition/rehabilitation of homebuyer properties
<input type="checkbox"/>	New construction of homebuyer properties
<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct financial assistance (i.e. down payment and closing costs) to purchasers of HOME-assisted homebuyer housing owned, sponsored, or developed by a CHDO with HOME funds
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ownership of rental housing developed with HOME assistance.

Check the CHDO-eligible activities your organization plans to undertake as a CHDO

<input type="checkbox"/>	Acquisition/rehabilitation of rental housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	New construction of rental housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Acquisition/rehabilitation of homebuyer properties
<input type="checkbox"/>	New construction of homebuyer properties
<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct financial assistance (i.e. down payment and closing costs) to purchasers of HOME-assisted homebuyer housing owned, sponsored, or developed by a CHDO with HOME funds
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ownership of rental housing developed with HOME assistance.

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Legal Status

Include and clearly label each requested Attachment as indicated. Select the item in the appropriate check box. Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Charters, Memorandums of Understanding, Contracts, Designations and Resolutions require the signature and date signed by the Board President or other authorized signer.

			HCD Use Only
A	Legal Authorization	The non-profit organization is organized under State and local laws. No part of the non-profit's earnings inure to the benefit of any member, founder, contributor or individual. Provide the following required documents which are signed and dated.	Requirement Met
		Legal Opinion of Non-Profit Status by an attorney or law firm	Yes No
		A Certificate of Fact issued by the Texas Office of the Secretary of State	
		A Franchise Tax Account Status issued by the Texas Comptroller's Office	
			HCD Use Only
B	Organizational Purpose	The non-profit has among its purposes the provision of decent housing that is affordable to low- and moderate-income people. Required as Attachments are the following documents	Requirement Met
		Charter	Yes No
		Articles of Incorporation	
		By-Laws	
			HCD Use Only
C	501(c) Status	Applicant has a tax exemption ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) under Section 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. If the answer is " no " your organization does not qualify for CHDO Designation. If " yes " please provide a complete copy of one of the following:	Requirement Met
		501(c)(3) Certificate letter from the IRS	Yes No
		501(c)(4) Certificate letter from the IRS	

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			HCD Use Only
D	CHDO Roles	Based on the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 92.300 check the CHDO roles your organization will pursue	Requirement Met
		Owner of Rental Housing [CFR Section 92.300(a)(2)]	Yes No
		Developer of Rental Housing [CFR Section 92.300(a)(3)]	
		Sponsor of Rental Housing - CHDO Affiliate will act as Owner [CFR Section 92.300(a)(4)]	
		Sponsor of Rental Housing - CHDO Affiliate will act as Developer [CFR Section 92.300(a)(4)]	
		Sponsor of Rental Housing - Turnkey Sponsor [CFR Section 92.300(a)(5)]	
		Homeownership Developer [CFR Section 92.300(a)(6)]	
E	CHDO Activities	The Applicant proposes the following activities to serve as the organization's main objective(s) in requesting CHDO designation (check all that apply).	Requirement Met
		Acquisition/rehabilitation of rental housing	Yes No
		New construction of rental housing	
		Acquisition/rehabilitation of homebuyer properties	
		New construction of homebuyer properties	
	Direct financial assistance (i.e. down payment and closing costs) to purchasers of HOME-assisted homebuyer housing owned, sponsored, or developed by a CHDO with the HOME funds.		

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Legal Opinion of Non-Profit Status

Date: _____

City of Houston
Housing and Community Development
2100 Travis Street, 9th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002

RE:

Name of Organization

Board President of Organization

Address of Organization

Ladies and Gentlemen,

_____ is recognized as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) as defined under Title 24, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 92, Subpart A, §92.2. We understand that this opinion is required as a prerequisite for your consideration for CHDO certification.

Based upon our review of the foregoing, it is our opinion:

1. _____ is neither controlled by, nor under the direction of, individuals or entities seeking to derive profit or gain from the organization. This opinion is based on our examination of _____ Certificate of Formation, Articles of Incorporation, and Bylaws, which indicate compliance with the board composition and independence requirements of 24 CFR §92.2, and confirm that no for-profit entities or individuals with for-profit interests exercise control or hold decision-making authority within the organization.
2. _____ is an organization described in paragraph (3) or (4) of Section 501(c) and is exempt from tax under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
3. _____ is an organization that specifically includes the fostering of low-income housing as one of its tax-exempt purposes.
4. No part of _____ net earnings inures to the benefit of any member, founder, contributor, or individual.

It is our intention that this opinion be relied upon by you in making your determination as to the eligibility of [Applicant] as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).

Sincerely,

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Capacity

All requested information in each Attachment is required. Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Charters, Memorandums of Understanding, Contracts, Designations and Resolutions must be signed and dated by the Board President or other authorized signer.

			HCD Use Only
A	Financial Management	The applicant is required to conform to the financial accountability standards of 2 CFR 200.302-303, "Standards for Financial Management Systems.	Requirement Met Yes No
		Affidavit of Standards for Financial Management Systems; complete, notarize and attach.	
		Past & Current Development Performance. Complete for any project listed provide financial statements to support the stated cash flow position	
		Fiscal Soundness is required. Note: The organization's IRS Form 990 and Certified Public Accountant Audit or a set of Basic Financial Statements are required.	
			HCD Use Only
B	Current & Past Community Performance	Document the non-profit or its parent organization has a history of serving the community where housing to be assisted with HOME funds will be located. Check the appropriate check box below. Provide documentation to support the selection, and label the report as Community Experience Report .	Requirement Met Yes No
		A statement signed by the Board President which details and documents at least one year of experience demonstrated a lasting benefit in serving each community for which CHDO Designation is sought. This must be supported by any of the following: agreements, contracts, minutes of meetings, flyers, advertisements or notices of activities within the service area.	
		For newly created organizations formed by local churches, service or community organizations, a statement signed by the Board President which details and documents its parent organization has at least one year of experience in serving each community for which CHDO Designation is sought. This report statement must be supported with any of the following: agreements, contracts, minutes of meetings, flyers, advertisements or notices of activities within the service area.	

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C	Staffing	The applicant is required to demonstrate capacity for carrying out activities assisted with HOME funds.	Requirement Met Yes No
		Applicant Organization Paid Staff and Capacity are required. Complete and provide for each employee who contributes to the capacity requirement of the Applicant organization. Please indicate if the person serves as a regular employee or contractor.	
		Individual Capacity Checklist is required for each paid staff (employee).The signature of each staff employee is required.	
		Consultant Experience Certification is required for each consultant or contracted employee. Consultants can only be considered for meeting the capacity requirement for a first-time CHDO, not for any CHDO previously funded.	
		Resumes and/or statements which describe the experience of key staff members who have successfully completed similar projects to be assisted with HOME funds are attached. Check the box on the left if this statement is true.	
		Contract(s) with consulting firms or individuals who have housing experience similar to projects to be assisted with HOME funds to train appropriate key staff of the organization are included. Contracts include a training plan and activities to be accomplished. Check the box on the left if this statement is true.	

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Affidavit of Standards for Financial Management Systems

Date		Recipient	
Affiant	(Insert exact legal name of the organization)		

Affiant on oath swears the following statements are true and are within the personal knowledge of Affiant.

1. Affiant is the Chief Financial Officer or President/Executive Director of the organization or Certified Public Accountant of the Recipient and is authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of Recipient.
2. Recipients' financial management systems conform to the financial accountability standards set forth in 2 CFR 200.302-303, by providing for and incorporating the following.
 - a. Accurate, current and complete disclosure of the financial results of each federally-sponsored project;
 - b. Records which identify the source and Application of funds for federally-sponsored activities. These records contain information pertaining to Federal awards, authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, outlays, income and interest;
 - c. Control over and accountability for all funds, property and other assets; adequate safeguards of all such assets shall be adopted to ensure that all assets are used solely for authorized purposes;
 - d. Comparison of expenditure with budget amounts for each award;
 - e. Written procedures to minimize the time elapsing between the receipt of funds and the issuance or redemption of checks for program purposes by the recipient;
 - f. Written procedures for determining the reasonableness, allocability and allowability of costs in accordance with the provisions of Federal cost principles [OMB Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR part 200] and the terms and conditions of the award; and
 - g. Accounting records, including cost-accounting records that are supported by source documentation.

Affiant		Title	
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Sworn to and Subscribed before me on the ____ day of _____, _____, by _____
 _____ On behalf of _____

Notary Public Name		Notary Seal
Notary Public Signature		
Commission Expires		

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Consultant Experience Certification

Please attach signed copies for each consultant whose experience should be considered for meeting the Experience/Capacity requirement, attach one copy for each project. If the contractor will be used to meet this requirement, provide copies of contracts and resumés or curricula vitae. **NOTE:** Consultants can only be considered for meeting the capacity requirement for a first-time CHDO, not for any CHDO previously funded.

Consultant Name				
Address				
		City	State	Zip
Phone			Email	
Project Name			Project Location	
Project Type			Population Served	
Date of Occupancy			Units	
Sources of Funds			Sources of Funds	
Sources of Funds			Sources of Funds	
Sources of Funds			Sources of Funds	
Description of Staff/ Consultant Role in Project				

Project References

Name				
Address				
		City	State	Zip

Name				
Address				
		City	State	Zip

I certify the information provided above is accurate and give my consent to contact references listed.

Signature

Date

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Organizational Structure

			HCD Use Only	
A	Board Representation	Certification of Board Status is required with the Board President's signature and date. The current governing Board of the Applicant's organization is required to meet the following 6 criteria. For each statement below that is TRUE, please check the box on the left.	Requirement Met Yes No	
	Board Size	The Board has at least three (3) members. In Texas, the Board is required to have at least one president and one secretary. The same person cannot be both the president and secretary.		
	Target Area Representation.	At least thirty percent (30%) of the Board are residents of the community served by the Applicant.		
	Board Members Not An Employee.	No member of the Board may be employees of the CHDO or its creating organization.		
	Physical Location.	The CHDO maintains a staffed, physical office in the proposed service area that is open for business, and accessible by potential program applicants during generally-accepted customary business hours.		
	Board Structure.	The Applicant's governing board has at least 1/3 of its membership from residents of low-income neighborhoods, other low-income community residents, or elected representatives of low income neighborhood organizations.		
	Public Official.	No more than 1/3 of the governing Board members are public officials. This includes employees of the Participating Jurisdiction, state recipients, elected officials, appointed public officials, and individuals appointed by public official. Public officials who themselves are low-income residents or representatives do not count toward the 1/3 minimum requirement of community representatives.		
			HCD Use Only	
B	Low-Income Input	Please complete and attach Affidavit of Board Low-Income Representation which certifies each Board Member who completes the Certification of Low-Income Representative meets one of the low-income representative criteria.	Requirement Met Yes No	
	The Applicant is required to provide a written formal process for low-income program beneficiaries to advise the organization in all of its decisions regarding the design, location, development, and management of all HOME-assisted affordable housing projects. Low-Income Input Report is required; state the activities in your geographic designated service area over the past year. Include documentation such as: adopted resolutions, policies, charrettes, surveys, community participation, public hearings, flyers and media.			

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C	Meetings	The Board is required to specify the frequency of its meetings, and all meetings must be held within the defined service area at a time and location convenient for residents as well as notifying the community it serves at least 72 hours before scheduled board meetings. Furthermore, Board minutes must be submitted to support the proposed shovel-ready projects. The minutes must include a list of the low- to moderate-income beneficiaries in attendance, along with a summary of their input. Submit copies of the Board meeting minutes reflecting each Board member's appointment, in accordance with the procedures outlined in the appropriate organizational documents (Charter or Certificate of Formation/Articles of Incorporation, or Bylaws). As Attachments, please provide the following documents:	Requirement Met
		Based on the Board's required meeting frequency, the corresponding Board minutes must be submitted.	Yes No
		Based on the Board's required meeting frequency, the corresponding Resolutions/ Amendments, if any, must be submitted.	
		*The City reserves the right to request additional copies of Board Meeting Minutes	
		HCD Use Only	
D	Religious Organization Sponsors. Religious organizations cannot qualify as CHDOs but they may sponsor the creation of fully secular nonprofits (see 24 CFR Part 92.257). The nonprofit may develop, sponsor or own HOME funded housing only if it is explicitly used for secular purposes. Documentation is required as evidenced by Religious or Faith Based Organization Certification.	Requirement Met	Yes No
		HCD Use Only	
E	Applicant Current Organization Charts. Include diagrams which shows the structure of the Applicant's current organization on the date of the CHDO Application as Organization Charts. Please include all formal relationships and linkage of the Applicant such as internal leadership, sponsorship roles, limited liability companies (LLC), limited partnerships, and limited liability partnerships.	Requirement Met	Yes No

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Affidavit of Board Low-Income Representation

On this ____ day of _____, 20____ I, _____ hereby certify the individuals identified in the attached exhibits are either (a) residents of a low-income neighborhood, (b) a low-income community resident, or (c) an elected representative of a low-income neighborhood organization. "Low-income" is defined as households whose annual income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD with adjustments for smaller and larger families.

I certify the above statement is true and correct. I understand any misstatement or falsification of information shall be grounds for denial or revocation of CHDO Designation status.

Affiant		Title	
Sworn to and Subscribed before me on the ____ day of _____, _____, by _____ On behalf of _____			
Notary Public Name			Notary Seal
Notary Public Signature			
Commission Expires			

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Certification of Low-Income Representative

Each Board member representing the interests of low-income families in the Applicant's target community is required to complete this Certification.

Board Member Name: _____

I certify I am a current member in good standing of the governing Board for _____

and I represent the interests of low-income families in the Applicant's target community. For the purposes of 24 CFR Part 92 (HOME Investment Partnerships Program) a person who does not serve as a "public official" in any elected or appointed capacity, and who meets any of the following characteristics is recognized as representing the low-income community.

Please check and complete at least one of the following:

I am a resident of _____, the Applicant's target community where at least 51 percent of the residents are low-income. (Note: This resident does not have to be low-income.)

I am a low-income resident of the _____, neighborhood, the Applicant's target community. My household has an income at or below the 80% of the median household income for the area in which I live, according to my most recent IRS Tax Return.

I was elected as a representative of _____, a low-income neighborhood organization within _____, the Applicant's target community to serve on the CHDO Board.

If the Applicant is representing a low-income neighborhood organization, please attach a copy of the signed resolution from the neighborhood organization naming the individual as their representative on the governing board of the Applicant Organization.

Signature

Date