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National Low Income Housing Coalition July 21st Lobby Day

When the Senate returns from recess on July 20, let's unite and send a clear message that the lowest-income renters cannot wait! Join us for a **Virtual Lobby Day on July 21** to urge Congress to immediately enact the housing elements of the HEROES Act to protect low-income renters and prevent a tsunami of evictions.

[https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/LobbyDay_Toolkit.pdf?utm_source=NLHC+All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=3243309e04-DHRC-7.8.2020&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e090383b5e-3243309e04-291734997&ct=t\(DHRC-7.8.2020-update\)](https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/LobbyDay_Toolkit.pdf?utm_source=NLHC+All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=3243309e04-DHRC-7.8.2020&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e090383b5e-3243309e04-291734997&ct=t(DHRC-7.8.2020-update))

COVID HEROES ACT

- \$100 Billion in Emergency Rental Assistance
- National, Uniform Moratorium on Evictions
By July 25, Congress will have let the federal moratoriums in the CARES Act expire
- \$11.5 Billion in Emergency Resources for People Experiencing Homelessness
- At Least \$13 Billion to Ensure Housing Stability (100,000 vouchers)
Between 19-23 million renters are at risk of evictions by September 30

<https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/Coronavirus-Budget-Chart.pdf>

House Passes *Moving Forward Act* (Infrastructure)

On July 1, the House passed the [*Moving Forward Act, H.R. 2, a \\$1.5 trillion bill*](#) to rebuild "U.S. communities with infrastructure and innovation that is smarter, safer and made to last." The *Moving Forward Act* includes a number of critical housing provisions. The proposal would provide over \$100 billion in funding for affordable housing infrastructure, including authorizing \$70 billion for the Public Housing Capital Fund, \$10 billion for CDBG, \$5 billion for HOME, \$5 billion for the Housing Trust Fund, \$2.5 billion for the Capital Magnet Fund, \$1 billion for the



USDA's Multifamily Preservation and Revitalization Demonstration program, and \$1 billion Native American Housing Block Grant program.

Tax Credit Issues

H.R. 2 would also strengthen and expand the Low-income Housing Tax Credit (Housing Credit), by enacting numerous provisions including but not limited to: **establishing a permanent minimum 4 percent Housing Credit rate;** expanding states' Housing Credit allocations; **reducing the "50 percent test"** for bond-financing to 25 percent; and enacting basis boosts for properties serving extremely low-income households, those in rural communities and Indian lands, and bond-financed properties. **The proposal would also increase the private activity bond cap ceiling, allowing states to issue more multifamily Housing Bonds.**

Activity – Gather stories from the field

<https://files.constantcontact.com/5a1b6f60101/1926cceb-6aab-41e5-8581-1d43da34ce19.pdf>

<https://www.shanj.org/past-sha-membership-meetings/>

THUD BILL

Last Week, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies (THUD) voted to approve its fiscal year 2021 (FY21) spending bill. The FY21 legislation provides **\$50.6 billion** for HUD, which is \$13 billion above the President's FY21 request and \$1.5 billion above the FY20 enacted levels.

https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/NLIHC_HUD-USDA_Budget-Chart.pdf?bust=2

Housing and Community Development NNJ August Virtual Legislative Day

STATE

3 Month Budget – Affordable Housing Trust Fund

When will the money flow?

State Legislation to expand protection on evictions:

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The Supportive Housing Association of New Jersey

The Peoples Bill A4226/A4034 would provide protection to tenants and mortgage forbearance for homeowners. A version of this bill has passed the senate. The bill would outline clear repayment standards for tenants who were forced to miss their rent due to the pandemic and would require mortgage forbearance options for homeowners who have struggled to stay afloat during and after the public health emergency.

Craig Coughlin Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly to post it

CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Tomorrow Hearing on the proposed plan for 2020-2024

<https://nj.gov/dca/divisions/dhcr/2015announcements/approved/o20200618c.html>

Comments are due by July 20th

Barriers to Affordable Housing, Homeless Strategy and more. Blueprint on how they use CDBG, HOME, HTF, Emergency Assistance Grant