### **HUD Headquarters Update**

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## Staffing Challenges





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Production Update
ELA/SMAC Conference 2021
Patricia Burke, Director, Office of Multifamily Production

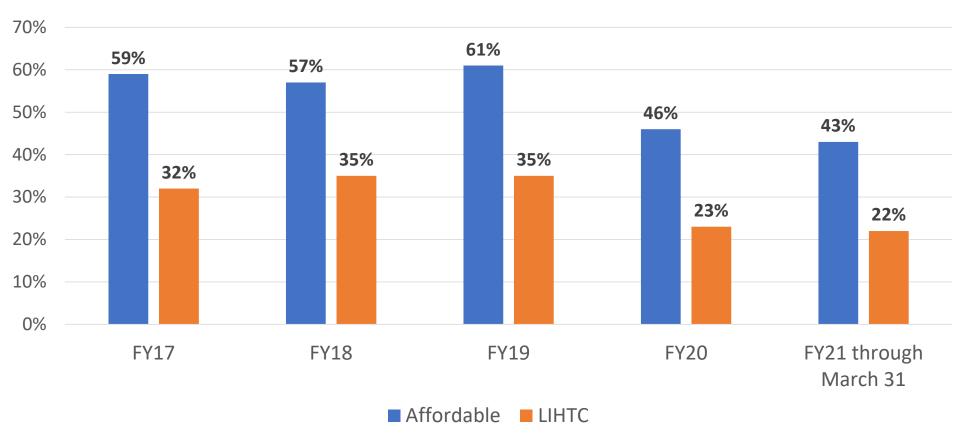
# Firm Commitment Volume FY11 - FY21 through 3/31/21



## Firm Commitment Volume by Program FY17 – FY21 through 3/31/21



# Affordable and LIHTC Firms as % of Total FY17 - FY21 through 3/31/21



## Application Queue Prioritization

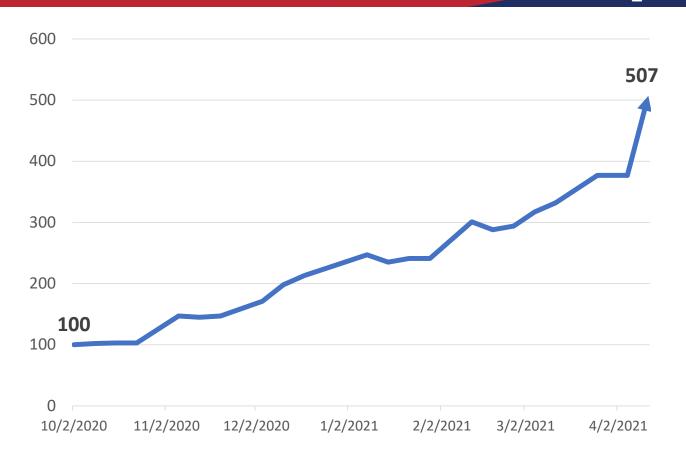
#### **Priority through March 17**

- 1. LIHTC Pilot applications
- Opportunity Zone transactions w/ Qualified Investment Fund

### **Updated Priority effective March 18**

- 1. LIHTC Pilot applications
- 2. New LIHTCs (non-Pilot applications)
- 3. Opportunity Zone transactions w/ Qualified Investment Fund
- 4. Second-Stage Firm Applications for New Construction (includes market-rate projects)
- 5. Other Affordable or Broadly Affordable transactions (as defined in the MIP Federal Register, per MAP Guide 3.1.10)

# Application Queue Growth Since 10/2/2020 Implementation



Our queue has grown from 100 applications when implemented on 10/2/2020 to **507** as of today, but may rise further once we're able to screen the remainder of the 200+ applications received before the 3/18 MAP Guide effective date

Applications assigned out of the queue during the past 30 days were in the queue for an average of **75 days** 

## Contract Underwriting by Grove Street

### **Eligible transactions:**

- 223(a)(7) excluding NLC
- **223(f)** excluding:
  - NLC
  - Moderate rehab ("heavy" f's)
  - New LIHTC or RAD conversions
  - Environmental issues / other risks
- 221(d)(4) (coming soon) excluding:
  - NLC
  - Pre-Apps (Firm Apps only)
  - New LIHTC or RAD conversions
  - Environmental issues / other risks

#### By the numbers:

- Over 300 applications assigned to GS (140 a7's, 160+ f's) since June 2020, 161 firms issued (20% of our FY21 total)
- Closing services also provided on twothirds of loans underwritten by GS
- Will begin assigning the first 221(d)(4)s to GS shortly
- Executing first contract option, will be able to send 300+ more applications to GS shortly

## FHA Catalyst: Multifamily Applications Module

- 900+ applications submitted through the portal since 10/27/20; 60% are currently submitted through the portal, 70% of lenders have used at least once
- Forthcoming Mortgagee Letter will <u>require</u> use of FHA Catalyst for application submissions – ML is entering Departmental Clearance now, will become effective 30 days after publication
- New round of lender training will be provided shortly after ML publication and prior to effective date, but we encourage you to request an account and try it out now

### FHA Catalyst: Multifamily Applications Module

#### To request access:

- Visit <u>www.hud.gov/catalyst</u>, click "Multifamily Applications"
- Download and complete "Lender Access Request Form", email completed form to <a href="FHACatalystMF@hud.gov">FHACatalystMF@hud.gov</a>
- To register for training announcements and updates:

(Link will also be in the ML, or you can email <a href="FHACatalystMF@hud.gov">FHACatalystMF@hud.gov</a> and we will send it to you)

## Other Topics

- CNA e-Tool release 3.1 complete conversion to cloud-based web app, implement industry-requested improvements in 2- to 4-week periods (end of August target completion date)
- Recently-constructed/rehabbed 223(f)s lessons learned so far
- ML 2020-11 Debt Service Escrow for 223(f)
- Cost Not Attributable for Section 223(f)
- Best practices information-sharing between Regions