

## Rental Assistance

<b>Emergency Rental Assistance</b>	<b>\$7.9</b>	<b>Other Rental Assistance</b>	<b>\$15.3</b>
		DC Rental Assistance	\$7.1
<b>Project and Sponsor-Based LRSP</b>	<b>\$32.6</b>	Shallow Subsidy	\$1.3
		Office of Tenant Advocate	\$4.2
<b>General LRSP</b>	<b>\$41.2</b>	Rental Housing Commission	\$1.4
		HOPWA	\$0.2
		Rental Accommodations	\$1.1

**Emergency Rental Housing** - The Emergency Rental Assistance program helps low-income District residents who are facing housing emergencies, or at imminent risk for homelessness. A housing emergency is when immediate action is needed to avoid homelessness, to re-establish a home, or to prevent eviction from a home;

**Local Rent Supplement – Project and Sponsor** - Project-based vouchers are provided to for-profit or non-profit developers for specific units that they make available to extremely low-income households. Unlike tenant-based vouchers, this rental assistance is tied to the provider and unit through a long-term subsidy contract. The units must be made affordable over the life of the project, and households must meet eligibility requirements prior to occupancy. Although it is not required, many project-based vouchers are awarded to developments that also provide supportive services to the residents. Sponsor-based vouchers are awarded to a provider (landlord or non-profit group) for affordable units they make available to extremely low-income households. Unlike project-based vouchers, these vouchers are tied to the provider and can be moved to another unit run by the non-profit or landlord. Many sponsor-based vouchers are awarded to groups that also provide supportive services to residents housed in the affordable units.

**General LRSP (Tenant-Based Vouchers)** - rental assistance for extremely low-income families and individuals through a housing program similar to the Federal Housing Choice Voucher program. Tenant based vouchers are provided directly to families or individuals, who can use the voucher for any rental unit under the Fair Market Rent in the District. The voucher stays with the family, even if they decide to move to another rental unit in the District;

**Rental Assistance – DC Local** – tenant-based rental assistance to low-income District of Columbia households

**Shallow Subsidy – Unsubsidized Seniors** – will support seniors in reducing rent burden and remaining stably housed. Eligible households are seniors who are not receiving any other rental assistance/subsidy, earning up to 60 percent of Area Median Income and paying more than 30 percent of their income towards rent. Enrolled participants will receive no more than \$600 per month or the differential between cost of rent minus 30 percent of household income.

**Office of the Tenant Advocate** - is to provide technical advice and other legal services to tenants regarding disputes with landlords; to educate and inform the tenant community about tenant rights and rental housing matters; to advocate for the rights and interests of District renters in the legislative, regulatory, and judicial contexts; and to provide financial assistance to displaced tenants for certain emergency housing and tenant relocation expenses.

**Rental Housing Commission** - is to ensure the fair and effective implementation of the District of Columbia's rent stabilization and tenant rights laws by publishing clear legal guidelines and resolving appeals in disputed cases.

**HOPWA** – provides housing supports for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

**Rental Accommodations Division (RAD)** – administers the District's rent stabilization program, including registering and licensing rental housing, administering rent adjustment procedures, processing landlord and tenant petitions, providing conciliation services, and acting as a repository for notices to vacate and all rental property records.

