

Multifamily Housing Bonds



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# Conduit Issuer Program

Term sheet effective for applications submitted after January 1, 2023

The **CalHFA Conduit Issuer Program** is designed to facilitate access to tax-exempt and taxable bonds ("Bond") by developers that seek financing for eligible projects that provide affordable multifamily rental housing for individuals, families, seniors, veterans or special needs tenants ("Project"). The conduit Bonds may be used to finance the acquisition, rehabilitation, and/or development of an existing Project, or they can be used for the construction of a new Project.

# Qualifications

- Available to for-profit, nonprofit or public agency sponsors.
- Nonprofit borrowers may be eligible for 501(c)(3) bonds.
- If bond proceeds are utilized to pay off an existing CalHFA portfolio loan, visit the CalHFA website for the <u>CalHFA Portfolio Loan Prepayment Policy</u>.

# **Bond Amount**

Bond amounts are determined by the loan amount of the lender.

### Fees (subject to change)

**Application Fee:** \$5,000 non-refundable, due at time of application is submitted (to cover the cost of the TEFRA required for tax-exempt issuances) and credited toward the CalHFA Issuer Fee.

#### **Issuer Fee:**

- 1. The greater of \$15,000 or 18.75 basis points (BPs) of the Bond amount if lesser than or equal to \$20 million.
- 2. If more than \$20 million: \$37,500 + 5 BPs for the amount above \$20 million.
- 3. Supplemental bonds issued after the initial Bond closing will be assessed an additional issuer fee which will be calculated for the supplemental bond issuance amount under the applicable fee structure above.

**Annual Monitoring Fee:** 5 BPs of the tax-exempt bond issuance amount due at construction loan closing and due annually thereafter until permanent loan conversion. After permanent loan conversion, billed annually in advance, 5 BPs of unpaid principal balance amount of tax-exempt bond financed loan(s) until Bonds are fully redeemed. Minimum Annual Monitoring Fee shall be \$4,000 through both the Qualified Project Period and the CDLAC compliance period.

For taxable only issuances, annual monitoring fees above will be charged based on the taxable bond financed loan(s) for the term of the CalHFA affordability restrictions.

For supplemental bonds issued after the initial Bond closing, the monitoring fee will be prorated from the date of the supplemental issuance until the due date for the annual monitoring fee for the original Bond issuance. Afterward, the annual monitoring fee will be calculated as described above, based on the total amount of Bonds issued for the project.

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Fees continued

If used in conjunction with a CalHFA permanent loan product, the annual monitoring fee will not be duplicated. Please refer to the applicable permanent loan term sheet for the annual monitoring fee.

**Public Sale & Bond Purchase Agreements:** Additional fee of \$5,000 to \$10,000 applies when Bonds are sold to the public or when the bond transaction includes a Bond Purchase Agreement (California State Treasurer's Office, Public Finance Division fee).

**CDLAC Allocation Fee:** 0.035% of the Bond amount, \$1,200 of which is due at time of CDLAC application submittal with the remaining fee due at construction loan closing and payable to CDLAC.

**CDLAC Performance Deposit:** 0.50% of the requested Bond amount, not to exceed \$100,000, is due to CalHFA within 20 calendar days after award of CDLAC allocation. Deposit to be refunded after the Bond closing, upon receipt of authorization letter from CDLAC.

The Borrower shall be responsible for all other costs of Bond issuance including fees of the underwriter, trustee, rating agencies, lender, compliance administrator, all Bond counsel legal fees, and any other parties required to complete the transaction.

#### **Occupancy Requirements**

- Projects must follow either:
  - A) 20% of the units must be rent restricted and occupied by individuals whose incomes are 50% or less of the Area Median Income as determined by HUD (AMI) with adjustments for household size ("20% @ 50% AMI"), or,
  - B) 40% or more of the units must be rent-restricted and occupied by individuals whose income is 60% or less of AMI, with adjustments for household size ("40% @ 60% AMI"); however in the latter case, a minimum of 10% of the units must be at 50% or less of AMI (i.e., 30% @ 60% AMI; 10% @ 50% AMI).
- 501(c)3 bond restrictions require 75% of the total units to be restricted at 80% or less of AMI and either option A or B above, which will be a portion of the 75% of total restricted units.
- Any units restricted by the Agency pursuant to this program, including those units restricted in addition to the minimum requirements set forth above, shall be rented at rents up to 30% of the applicable income restriction using the occupancy assumptions required in the Agency's Regulatory Agreement. Rents for all restricted units must be at least 10% below market rents as evidenced by a current market study or an appraisal
- Borrower will be required to enter into a *Regulatory Agreement* which will be recorded against the Project for the Qualified Project Period (as defined in the *CalHFA Regulatory Agreement*). This includes the later of the federally-required qualified project period, repayment of the Bond-funded loan, redemption of the Bonds, the full term of the CDLAC Resolution requirements or 55 years.

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