

Forgivable Equity Builder Loan Update

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BUDGET ACT OF 2021

 CalHFA allocated \$100 million from the General Fund for the purpose of providing homebuyer assistance

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

- \$12 million State Route 710 Affordable Sales Program Phase 2
- **\$88 million** Forgivable Equity Builder Loan for lowincome households

FORGIVABLE LOAN PROGRAM GOALS

- Creating more affordable housing opportunities with deeper affordability
- Offer wealth generating opportunity through accelerated home equity gains







ELIGIBILITY

• Households earning less than 80 percent AMI

FORGIVABLE LOAN PROGRAM

- 10 percent of home purchase price/appraised value to be used for down payment and closing costs
- Forgivable over 5 years
- May be combined with other local down payment assistance programs or sources of down payment funding



BENEFITS

- Extends home ownership assistance for lower income levels
- Accelerates home equity accumulation





1,700 Total Reservations (1,100 Purchased; 600 Pipeline)



Average Forgivable Loan



50 Counties



75%

Funds Committed



\$395,000

Average Home Price



74% Socially Disadvantaged



- Working with lenders and stakeholders to wind program down.
- Forgivable funding completely separate from MyHome and other CalHFA programs.
- Assisted over 2,000 low-income homebuyers to access homeownership.
- Provided a jump start to wealth creation through home equity.





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Questions