

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 27: Housing and Community Services Department Expenditure Alignment

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Gomberg

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee heard a request from the Housing and Community Services Department to align available funding with expected agency expenditures.

The Housing and Community Services Department requested additional Other Funds expenditure limitation to carry forward funding approved in prior biennia, including \$24.4 million for housing development projects and \$13.4 million for down payment assistance. An additional \$1.9 million in Other Funds limitation is also requested to expend interest and program income for affordable rental housing projects.

The following additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation is also needed:

- \$32.6 million for housing development projects expected to be completed in the current biennium, funded by the federal Home Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan Program;
- \$15 million for low-income housing weatherization projects funded with U.S. Department of Energy formula grant funds; and

- \$58 million for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery program funding carried forward from the prior biennium.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means recommend including an increase of \$39,671,236 in Other Funds expenditure limitation and an increase of \$105,585,695 in Federal Funds expenditure limitation for the Housing and Community Services Department in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2026 legislative session to align available funding with expected agency expenditures.