

## Homebuyer Dream Program®

2021 Virtual Roadshow



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# HOMEBUYER DREAM PROGRAM® OVERVIEW



## Homebuyer Dream Program® Overview



- First-time homebuyer set-aside program offered by the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLBNY")
- FHLBNY contributes 10% of its previous years net earnings to the Affordable Housing Programs

#### <u>First-Time Homebuyer Set-Aside: Homebuyer Dream Program® ("HDP")</u>

- Provides down payment and/or closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyers
- Grant up to \$9,500 per household with an additional \$500 towards defrayment of non-profit counseling agency costs for a maximum amount of \$10,000
- Total household income must be at or below 80% of the Area Median Income for the county in which the household is purchasing
- Program administered through participating members as an annual Round

HDP Round will open May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021



## HOMEBUYER DREAM PROGRAM® KEY UPDATES



## Changes to 2021 HDP Round

#### **Grant Amount**

 $\square$  Reduced from \$15k  $\rightarrow$  \$10k per household



#### The Round:

☐ First come, first serve administration is replaced with an individual member allotment



#### Introduction of an Individual Member Allotment

#### **Allotment Process**

FHLBNY

- Members will be provided an individual allotment to be used for eligible households
- Allotments are:
  - Based upon 3-year historical commitment activity
  - Communicated within 30 days of Round opening
- To receive an allotment, members must provide the following by March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021:
  - Member Participation Agreement (Form: HDP-001)
  - HDP Secure File Transfer Enrollment (Form: HDP-002)
- Members have until August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 to fully reserve allotments



#### Reallotment Process → If remaining funds are available

- On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, unreserved allotments will be redistributed in order of exhaustion
  - Exhaustion is defined as a remaining initial allotment of \$10,000 or less

## Key Updates to 2021 Homebuyer Dream Program® Round

#### Round funds will be distributed equitably to provide a meaningful allotment



#### Factors that determine individual member allotments:

- Total allocation for the HDP Round
- Maximum grant amount
- Number of members that participate in the 2021 HDP Round
  - Historical commitments of participating members
- Determination of the Round floor & ceiling



## Homebuyer Dream Program®: Key Dates

#### 2021 Annual HDP Round Details:





- Communication of allotment: Within 30 Days of Round Opening
  - 2021 HDP forms also made available on FHLBNY website
- Round opens with initial allotment: May 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ☐ Initial allotment ends: August 27<sup>th</sup>
- Reallotment begins for eligible members: September 1<sup>st</sup>
  - If funds are available
- ☐ Round closure: November 30<sup>th</sup>

Members that do not comply with the March 26<sup>th</sup> deadline will not receive an allotment and be ineligible to participate in the 2021 HDP Round.

## **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**



# HOMEBUYER DREAM PROGRAM® LIFECYCLE



## Homebuyer Dream Program® Life Cycle



DETERMINING HOUSEHOLD ELIGIBILITY

➤ Member qualifies household based on program parameters outlined within the HDP guidelines.



HOUSEHOLD RESERVATION REQUEST

➤ Member submits a new household reservation request to the FHLBNY via file transfer system.



COMMITMENT OF GRANT

> FHLBNY reviews reservation request for eligibility and upon approval issues a commitment to the member for a period of 120 days.



FUNDING OF GRANT

- Member submits a funding request no later than 15 days prior to the commitment expiration.
- Funds are disbursed to the member on a post-closing basis.



RETENTION PERIOD

Household is required to remain in the home during the 5-year retention period.



## Household Eligibility

#### Member determines household eligibility and ensures the following:

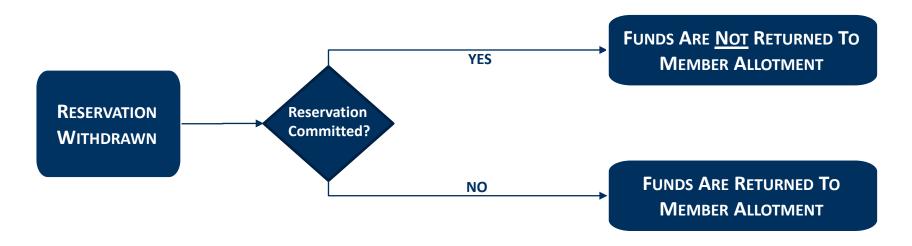
- Household is a first-time homebuyer
- Total household income is at or below 80% area median income
- Provide a fully executed Purchase and Sales Contract
- ➤ A minimum equity contribution of \$1,000 towards the purchase
- Purchase an eligible property in the FHLBNY District:
  - New York
  - New Jersey
  - Puerto Rico
  - U.S. Virgin Islands
- Completion of homeownership counseling
- Execution of a 5-year retention document at closing



## Submitting a Reservation Request

- When does the reservation impact your member allotment?
  - At successful upload to the FHLBNY system

What happens if your household reservation is withdrawn?





## Submitting a Reservation Request

Request must be submitted as one zip file via the file transfer system and include the following:

- □ Income documentation
  - For all sources of income
- Purchase and Sales Contract
- ☐ Homeownership Counseling Certificate
- ☐ HDP Homebuyer Certification (HDP-004)
- ☐ Homebuyer Dream Program Request Form (HDP-005)
  - Select "New Household Reservation Request"
  - 100% Completed
  - MS Excel format, containing the ".xlsx" file extension

- > If applicable:
  - ☐ Zero Income Certification (AHP/HDP-001)
  - Legal separation agreement and/or divorce decrees

- 1\_Income Documents.pdf
- 2\_Purchase and Sales Contract.pdf
- 3\_Counseling Certificate.pdf
- 4\_Homebuyer Certification.pdf
- HDP Reservation Request.xlsx



#### COMMITMENT OF GRANT

Upon review and approval of reservation request, FHLBNY notifies member via email





- Commitments are emailed to the member.
- The household closing and reimbursement of funds to the member must occur by the 120-day commitment expiration



## Submitting a Funding Request

Request must be submitted as one zip file via the file transfer system at least 15 days

prior to the commitment expiration

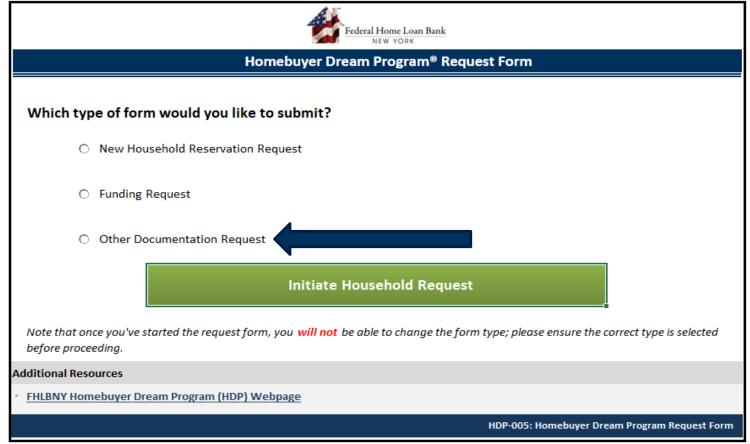
- ☐ Retention Documents
- Closing Disclosure
  - Itemize total grant amount as "HDP Grant"
  - \$1,000 minimum equity contribution
  - Disclose non-profit counseling agency fee, if applicable
- Certification of Intent to Record
- Homebuyer Dream Program Request Form (HDP-005)
  - Select "Funding Request"
  - 100% Completed
  - MS Excel format, containing the ".xlsx" file extension

- Conventional Loan
  - Retention (HDP-006)
- Federal Housing Administration ("FHA")
  - ☐ FHA Retention (HDP-006 FHA)
- Co-Op Financing
  - ☐ Retention (HDP-006 COOP)
- Puerto Rico
  - ☐ Retention (HDP-006 PR)
  - ☐ FHA Retention (HDP-006 FHA PR)
  - 1\_Retention Documents.pdf
  - 2\_Closing Disclosure.pdf
  - 3\_Certificate of Intent to Record.pdf
  - HDP Funding Request.xlsx



### How to Use the Request Form

- New Household Reservation Request
- Funding Request
- Other Documentation Request





## ANALYSIS OF THE 2020 ROUND



## 2020 Homebuyer Dream Program® Data

\$14.85M Committed to households:

■ <u>June</u>: \$3.20M

July: \$3.58M

August: \$2.92M

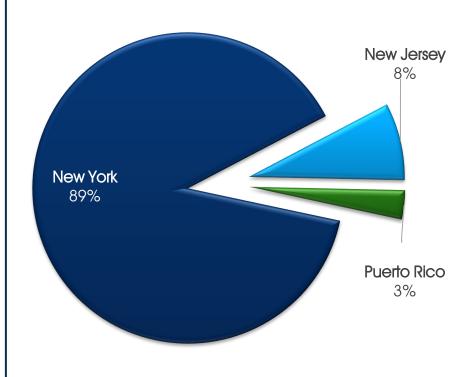
September: \$5.15M

- 1,106 Total commitments issued to 64 participating members
- 98% Commitment success rate!

#### 2020 HDP Household Demographics

Region	Median Purchase Price	Median Household Income
New York	\$141,246	\$53,443
New Jersey	\$229,055	\$64,952
Puerto Rico	\$84,728	\$21,835

Geographic Distribution of 2020 HDP Commitments

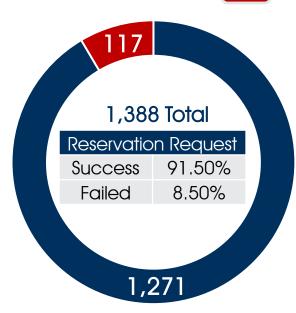




## 2020 HDP Request Form Data

- > 3,570 HDP requests were submitted via the file transfer system
- > 108 (3%) files received contained no HDP request form

### 457 of all HDP requests received were rejected



88 (75%) Duplicate reservation requests that should have been other requests



239 (77%) Duplicate funding requests which should have been other requests



Other documentations requests represent Incomplete packages



## STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS



## Strategies for Success



#### Forms & Documents

- Always download forms from FHLBNY website
- Familiarize yourself with our AHP Implementation Plan, HDP guidelines, & HDP tutorials
- > FHLBNY forms should not be saved on desktop
- Provide legible documents
- Review all packages prior to upload

#### Member Communication & Contacts

- Create a group email to receive FHLBNY commitments and funding notifications
- Ensure proper backups for times out of the office
- Be mindful of key dates to the program



#### Strategies for Success (continued)

#### File Transfer System

- Ensure all authorized users are prepared for round opening
  - Changes to authorized users require updated HDP Secure File Transfer Enrollment Form (HDP-002)
- Confirmation emails do not equate to successful upload to FHLBNY system.
- Authorized users within an institution have mutual folder access
- Documents older than 90 days are removed on a quarterly basis



#### <u>Pipeline Status Reports</u>

- Provided to reconcile active pipeline
- Issued on a monthly basis via file transfer system
- Use to determine and communicate withdrawals
- Use as a tool for effectively managing the 120-day commitment period



#### 2021 HDP Timeline

Q3-

February 24<sup>th</sup> - HDP virtual training session

New Jersey

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - HDP virtual training session

Puerto Rico

March 4<sup>th</sup> - HDP virtual training session

U.S. Virgin Islands

March 10th - HDP virtual training session

New York (Metro)

March 17<sup>th</sup> - HDP virtual training session

New York (Upstate)

<u>March 26<sup>th</sup></u> – Member Participation Agreements & HDP Secure File Transfer Enrollment Due

April – Allotments communicated to members

Within 30 days of Round opening

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – HDP ROUND OPENS

July 31st – First Home Clubsm Sunsets

Final month for programmatic transfers

August 27th - Initial Allotment Ends

 Unreserved allotments allocated back to HDP Round for reallotment

September 1st - Reallotments Issued

 Eligible members will be reallotted funds, if available

November 30<sup>th</sup> – HDP Round Closure





## **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**





### Advancing Housing and Community Growth

#### Questions or additional information:

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