

# BAHFA 2024 Ballot Measure:

Preparation for a 2024 Affordable Housing Bond

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## **Discussion Overview**

- Decision points presented today concern BAHFA's
   20% Regional Housing Revenue only
  - Direct-allocation cities and counties create individual expenditure plans
- Today is an informational presentation, with more decision points presented for discussion in September
   Approval is slated for October
- Why create a regional funding pool?

## **The Power of BAHFA: Regional Action**

- A mission-driven, regional lender can reinvest loan funds back into the community
- Regional programs can assist community-based organizations vital to preservation efforts
- Regional programs can lower the cost and timelines of essential housing production
- Technical assistance, policy development, and higher-risk development innovations all happen at the regional level



## **BAHFA's Additive Approach**

### Work to Change the System

 Strength in numbers: BAHFA can serve as a unifying regional voice to advocate for more federal/state resources and more equitable and effective systems

#### Maximize Housing Benefits Across the Region

- Creatively, flexibly navigate the system in coordination with local government partners
- Advance development models that add to cities' and counties' affordable housing portfolios without diminishing access to resources



## **Discussion Overview, continued**

### **Step 1 Decision Points:**

- What portion of the Regional Housing Funds to program now?
- How to allocate BAHFA's initial 18% "flexible funds"?
- How do we implement our Equity Framework and set project priorities?
- Identify next set of decision points, including geographic distribution strategies



### **AB 1487 Refresher: 3Ps Funding Guidelines**

### **BAHFA'S 20% Funding Allocation:**

- Production: 52%
- Preservation: 15%
- Protections: 5%
- Local Government Incentive Grant Program:10%
- Flexible Funding: 18%



### **Landscape Considerations**

- All counties and direct-allocation cities will be in receipt of large bond funds simultaneously
- All counties and direct-allocation cities will fund projects that also need competitive state money
- State & federal funding application process is uncertain, costly, and subject to change

### **BAHFA** should be additive and not competitive



# **BAHFA's Regional Implementation, Step 1**

### Consider 1<sup>st</sup> Bond Issuance Only (Q3-Q4 2025)

- \$400 million of BAHFA's \$2 Billion total
- Adjust 2<sup>nd</sup> and future issuances based on successes
- Program 1<sup>st</sup> Issuance "Flexible" Funding for Production
- Prioritize PSH and ELI for New Construction Funding
  - If invited by jurisdictions or collaborative opportunities arise
- Pursue Non-LIHTC Development in Competitive Conditions
  - Advance innovation and scale
  - Avoid competition for scarce resources
  - Remain flexible if market conditions change, adjust for best outcomes

### **BAHFA's 1<sup>st</sup> NOFA: Focus of Initial Policy Decisions**

For \$10B Bond	Total Value
BAHFA	\$2 Billion
Counties & Direct- Allocation Cities	\$8 Billion
Total	\$10 Billion
In millions of dollars	
In millions of dollars	1 <sup>st</sup> Bond Issuance Values
In millions of dollars BAHFA	
	Values

In millions of dollars

1 <sup>st</sup> Bond Issuance: BAHFA's Regional Funds	Value
Production	\$208
Flexible Funds	\$72
Preservation	\$60
Protections*	\$20
Local Government Grants	\$40
BAHFA Total – 1 <sup>st</sup> Issuance	\$400

\* Currently not eligible use of GO Bonds

## **Step #2 Recommendation Previews**

### How Will New Production Money Be Disbursed?

 Create a geographic investment plan that achieves regional goals while balancing distribution across all counties

#### **Preservation Priorities (15% of Funding)**

 Achieve anti-displacement goals and direct resources to historically disinvested communities

### Local Government Incentive Grants (10% of Funding)

 Fund housing-related uses lacking access to other money (parks, infrastructure, school improvements, etc.)



## **BAHFA Ballot Preparation Timeline**

#### September 2023

- How BAHFA geographically distributes its funds
- Preservation Program priorities
- 10% Local Government Incentive Grant Program priorities

#### October 2023

- Approval of BAHFA's Initial Funding Priorities (decision points from July & September meetings)
- Adoption of Business Plan Equity Framework & Funding Programs; informational presentation on draft operations and sustainability plan
- Protection Program priorities\*

#### December 2023

• Adoption of final BAHFA Business Plan

#### January – May 2024

• Approval of BAHFA's Regional Expenditure Plan and Resolution to place bond on county ballots

#### Post-Bond (2025)

Loan Term Sheets and Underwriting Guidelines, including developer preferences

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMI METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION CO \*TBD, depending on expanded eligible uses of GO bonds via constitutional amendment

