

Information Item

Community Development Committee



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Topic

Metro HRA 2025 Funding Discussion

District(s), member(s):	All
Policy/legal reference:	24 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 982
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Background

The Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA) administers rent assistance programs for low-income families, primarily through the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program. The Metro HRA currently serves 7,300 households with rent assistance. The primary source of funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Funding is dependent on annual congressional appropriations.

Congress passed a Continuing Resolution on March 14, 2025, to provide funding at 2024 levels for calendar year 2025. Metro HRA received its formal funding award on May 14, 2025, resulting in a shortfall of funds to continue providing rent assistance to all current voucher holders.

The purpose of this information item is to provide an overview of the budget shortfall, contributing factors, and options for consideration.