

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 30-A: MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES
Chapter 201: HOUSING AUTHORITY

§4753. COORDINATION OF RESOURCES AND PROGRAMS

The Maine State Housing Authority, municipal housing authorities, municipalities and the Department of Economic and Community Development shall cooperate in the coordination of resources and programs and the development of housing for low-income and moderate-income households. [1989, c. 48, §§3, 31 (NEW) .]

1. Matching of resources. The Maine State Housing Authority may match the resources provided by municipalities according to ratios established by the Maine State Housing Authority by rule in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375.

A. Municipal resources may consist of land, buildings, equipment, personnel, zoning provisions, money and any other resources considered by the Maine State Housing Authority to effectively help to provide affordable housing to low-income and moderate-income households. [1989, c. 48, §§3, 31 (NEW) .]

B. Any municipality and the Maine State Housing Authority may use resources provided by the private sector, any private nonprofit organization or any other public sector organization for the purpose established in this subchapter. [1989, c. 48, §§3, 31 (NEW) .]

C. Municipalities and municipal housing authorities may require reasonable reservations or set-asides of units created in projects to which they have contributed significant resources to serve the residents or members of the work force of their particular municipalities. [1989, c. 581, §9 (NEW) .]

[1989, c. 48, §§3, 31 (NEW); 1989, c. 581, §9 (AMD) .]

2. Assessment of housing stock. The Maine State Housing Authority in conjunction with municipalities and the Department of Economic and Community Development shall conduct a comprehensive assessment of the availability and quality of information on the supply, prices, condition and age of the State's housing. The assessment must include data collected by towns, the State, the Federal Government and other relevant sources.

The Maine State Housing Authority shall report its findings to the Governor and the Legislature biennially, beginning March 1, 1991, on the adequacy of data collection and shall recommend ways to improve the type and quality of data collected as well as any other recommendations needed to ensure that the State has an accurate statistical understanding of the supply, prices and condition of the State's housing.

[1989, c. 914, §4 (NEW) .]

3. Universal application and waiting list. The Maine State Housing Authority and municipal housing authorities shall establish a single, streamlined application for tenant-based rental assistance under the United States Housing Act of 1937, Public Law 412, Section 8 by which families may apply for housing assistance in any geographic area of the State and shall also establish a statewide, centralized waiting list for that tenant-based rental assistance. The Maine State Housing Authority and municipal housing authorities shall establish a method for individuals or families to submit applications and to update applications for rental assistance by electronic means.

The Maine State Housing Authority and the Department of Health and Human Services shall ensure that an application or an addendum to an application submitted pursuant to this subsection may also be used by individuals and families who choose to apply for the Bridging Rental Assistance Program established

in Title 34-B, section 3011 and a federal shelter plus care program authorized by the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, Public Law 100-77 (1987) as amended by the federal Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009, Public Law 111-22, Division B (2009).

[2015, c. 424, §1 (NEW) .]

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