**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of a Public Review and Comment Period**

**and subsequent Public Hearing on the**

**Recovery Housing Program**

**Funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

July 22, 2023

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Notice of a Public Review and Comment Period on Recovery Housing Program (RHP) Action Plan and Public Hearing

The State of Illinois’ Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity is the recipient of a total of $1,558,088 to be used for the purpose of Recovery Housing. The Recovery Housing Program is authorized under Section 8071 of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act and is a pilot program. Section 8071 requires RHP funds be treated as Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) funds, distributed through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Distribution is as follows:

2021 RHP Funding: $ 757,549

2022 RHP Funding: $ 800,539

The State has identified a need for additional housing for individuals recovering from substance use disorders. RHP funds will be awarded by the State of Illinois to one or more entities to produce, preserve and/or rehabilitate such housing. Funds will be made available through an application process to ensure all HUD requirements are met. Applicants must demonstrate an ability to operate the housing and directly or indirectly provide recovery related services for participants. Operating and service funds are not provided with RHP funding.

A copy of the Recovery Housing Program Action Plan can be found on DCEO’s website at: <https://dceo.illinois.gov/communitydevelopment.html> It is located on the left hand side of the page near the bottom and titled “RHP Action Plan”. Printed versions are available by request through the same contact information listed below for Public Comments.

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity hereby gives notice that the following public review and comment period to examine and consider the Recovery Housing Program Action Plan will begin on **July 23, 2023 and end on August 23, 2023.**

The State will hold one video conference Public Hearing to consider the adoption of the RHP Action Plan. The public review and comment period are in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) guidance. The Public Hearing will be **Monday, August 7th** at 10:00 a.m. (CST). The hearing will take place via WebEx and telephone only. No in-person attendance will take place.

Join from the meeting link:

<https://illinois.webex.com/illinois/j.php?MTID=m85f064f45119b07c60a99ba1f9dda79a>

Join by meeting number

Meeting number (access code): 2634 680 7821

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Global call-in numbers

Join from a video system or application

Dial 26346807821@illinois.webex.com

You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number.

The State will make every effort to accommodate those with disabilities by providing the meeting in both audio and visual format. Persons requiring a translator should request one at least three days prior to the virtual hearing they plan to attend.

All public comments must be received by midnight August 22, 2023 and submitted to:

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