



NCDA Commends Bipartisan Passage of Landmark Housing Legislation

Washington, DC –

The National Community Development Association (NCDA) commends the House of Representatives for the successful passage of the [Housing for the 21st Century Act](#). Developed through a rare spirit of bipartisan cooperation not seen in many years, this legislation marks a significant milestone for housing policy. It sets the stage for building and preserving more affordable housing across this nation.

NCDA is pleased with the inclusion of key reforms to the HOME program and the CDBG program—priorities the organization has advocated for over many years. These targeted reforms constitute the most substantial update to the HOME program in over a decade, reflecting NCDA's long-standing dedication to improving this essential housing resource.

The measure was approved in the House by a decisive vote of 390-9. NCDA extends gratitude to Representative French Hill (R-AR), Chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, for introducing the legislation that brings together more than 20 bills into a comprehensive housing package. The organization also thanks Ranking Member Maxine Waters (D-CA) for her bipartisan support. Appreciation goes to Representative Mike Flood, Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, and Ranking Member Emanuel Cleaver II (D-MO), for their steadfast leadership in advancing and refining the legislation. Their work includes the HOME Reform Act of 2025, which forms the basis for HOME program reforms in this bill, and the Unleashing Needed Local Options to Construct and Keep Housing

(UNLOCK) Act, which expands the CDBG program to allow new construction of affordable housing as an eligible activity.

The Senate is expected to consider the ROAD to Housing Act, their comprehensive affordable housing bill, later this month. This critical step will pave the way for a conference between the House and Senate bills, moving toward final passage of an affordable housing measure.