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H. R. 6602

To authorize funding of enriched resident services in federally assisted affordable housing, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. AGUILAR (for himself, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. LIEU, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. BASS, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. BROWNLEY, and Mr. CÁRDENAS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To authorize funding of enriched resident services in federally assisted affordable housing, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Affordable Housing
5 Resident Services Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENT SERVICES**
2 **GRANT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Housing and
4 Urban Development shall annually award grants on a
5 competitive basis to owners of qualified properties for use
6 for eligible activities.

7 (b) **TERMS OF GRANT.**—Grants awarded under this
8 section shall be funded for a term of 5 years.

9 (c) **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.**—Grants shall be used for
10 activities that—

11 (1) assist residents in obtaining health services
12 and other community services;

13 (2) provide after-school programs for children
14 and teenage students, including mentoring, tutoring,
15 college and career readiness, and life skills training;

16 (3) enhance educational opportunities for youth
17 and adult residents;

18 (4) provide access to programs to assist resi-
19 dents with mental health or alcohol or addiction
20 problems;

21 (5) enhance residents' economic self-sufficiency
22 and empowerment, including providing employment
23 resources;

24 (6) prepare residents for home ownership;

25 (7) provide residents assistance with financial
26 literacy;

1 (8) assist older adults to enable them to age in
2 place; or

3 (9) assist residents with disabilities.

4 (d) QUALIFIED PROPERTIES.—The term “qualified
5 properties” means a property assisted under—

6 (1) the low-income housing tax credit under
7 section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

8 (2) the project-based rental assistance programs
9 under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of
10 1937, including units assisted by project-based
11 vouchers under section 8(o)(13) of such Act;

12 (3) the program under section 236 of the Na-
13 tional Housing Act;

14 (4) the below-market interest rate mortgage
15 program under section 22(d)(3) of the National
16 Housing Act;

17 (5) the rural rental housing program under sec-
18 tion 515 of the Housing Act of 1949;

19 (6) a program under title IV of the McKinney-
20 Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11361 et
21 seq.), but only permanent supportive housing
22 projects subsidized under such programs;

23 (7) section 1131 of Public Law 110–289;

24 (8) the supportive housing for the elderly pro-
25 gram under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959;

1 (9) the supportive housing program for persons
2 with disabilities under section 811 of the Cranston-
3 Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act; or

4 (10) affordable housing units owned by public
5 housing agencies that are not assisted under the
6 Housing Act of 1937.

7 (e) SELECTION CRITERIA.—Grants shall be awarded
8 on a competitive basis, based on the following selection
9 criteria:

10 (1) The extent to which a grant may enable an
11 applicant to provide new types of enriched services,
12 to provide services to more residents, or provide
13 more effective services to residents.

14 (2) The extent to which an applicant can dem-
15 onstrate the likelihood of achieving objective out-
16 comes for its residents that are described in the ap-
17 plication.

18 (3) The extent of experience with respect to eli-
19 gible activities and a demonstrable track record in
20 providing resident services.

21 (4) The extent of relationships and partnerships
22 an applicant has with localities, non-profits, and
23 health care providers that provide services or facili-
24 tate the provision of services that improve outcomes
25 for residents.

1 (5) Any experience the applicant has with re-
2 spect to development, ownership, and management
3 of qualified properties for low-income families, sen-
4 iors, and disabled persons.

5 (6) The selection of a diverse range of grantees,
6 including minority business enterprises and owners
7 of properties located in rural areas and other under-
8 served areas.

9 (7) Economies of scale associated with pro-
10 viding services to residents in a number of different
11 qualified properties that enhance the efficiency of
12 providing resident services.

13 (8) The extent to which an applicant can sup-
14 plement the grant with matching funds from other
15 sources to fund additional services.

16 (f) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Housing and
17 Urban Development may coordinate with the Secretary of
18 Health and Human Services as the Secretary of Housing
19 and Urban Development determines appropriate.

20 (g) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the appropriation
22 of additional amounts for use in association with the
23 grant program established under this section the
24 Secretary of Health and Human Services shall, for
25 each of fiscal years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, and

1 2026, transfer, to the grant program established
2 under this section, such amounts as the Secretary of
3 Health and Human Services determines appropriate
4 from the Social Services Block Grant program and
5 the Community Services Block Grant program.

6 (2) MAXIMUM.—The sum of the amounts trans-
7 ferred by the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
8 ices in a fiscal year under this section shall not ex-
9 ceed 300,000,000 dollars.

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