



Proposed 2016 MFA Legislative Agenda

Appropriation Requests

- 1. Regional Housing Oversight** **\$300,000—Recurring**
In 2006, MFA was mandated by the state to restructure and oversee the Regional Housing Authorities. However, as a governmental instrumentality, MFA receives no operating funds from the state. MFA is requesting recurring funding for oversight and to ensure that New Mexico's three Regional Housing Authorities have the support and training necessary to operate efficiently and to create affordable housing in rural and unserved areas. In the past, MFA has requested that this mandate be transferred to DFA if recurring funding for MFA is not approved.
- 2. Affordable Housing Act Oversight** **\$250,000—Recurring**
MFA is mandated by the state to oversee the Affordable Housing Act, which permits state and local governments to contribute public funds, buildings and other resources for affordable housing. However, as a governmental instrumentality, MFA receives no operating funds from the state. MFA is requesting recurring funding for MFA oversight of the Affordable Housing Act and to provide technical assistance to local communities for development and implementation of affordable housing plans and ordinances. In the past, MFA has requested that this mandate be transferred to DFA if recurring funding for MFA is not approved.
- 3. New Mexico Housing Trust Fund** **\$5 million**
Also requested through Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP) process
The Housing Trust Fund was created by the State Legislature in 2005 with an initial appropriation of \$10 million and additional appropriations of \$8.7 million since that time. For every dollar appropriated, at least \$14 additional dollars are leveraged to finance affordable housing. A \$5 million appropriation will leverage \$70 million to build more than 500 quality affordable homes for low-income New Mexicans.
- 4. Low-Income Residential Energy Conservation** **\$1 million—Recurring**
Also requested through Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP) process
MFA's NM Energy \$mart program weatherizes the homes of approximately 1,000 low-income families each year. State funding is leveraged five to one with two federal programs. Based on income eligibility, more than 300,000 New Mexican households are eligible for weatherization services. A \$1 million appropriation will provide weatherization for approximately 200 additional homes statewide, creating jobs and saving low-income families hundreds of dollars on energy bills each year.



5. Down Payment Assistance

\$1.65 million

Also requested through Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP) process

Through a network of lenders, MFA provides low-interest mortgage loans to first-time homebuyers and non-first time homebuyers who work in critical occupations. Along with each home purchase, MFA offers an average of \$5,500 in down payment assistance (DPA). Ninety to 95 percent of all MFA borrowers utilize DPA. In many cases, lack of a down payment is what keeps otherwise creditworthy households from purchasing a home. As the economic climate improves, MFA needs additional capital for DPA to keep pace with the uptick in mortgage loans, estimated at 300 additional loans per year.

6. Veteran Home Rehabilitation

\$2 million

This appropriation will provide funding for honorably discharged veterans in New Mexico who earn 60 percent or less of Area Median Income. A \$2 million appropriation will enable rehabilitation of approximately 100 homes, including replacement of appliances and repairs to address structural damage, health and safety code requirements and accessibility.

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE OVERSIGHT OF THE REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of finance and administration for expenditure in fiscal year 2017 and subsequent fiscal years for the purpose of funding the oversight of the regional housing authorities by the New Mexico mortgage finance authority. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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DISCUSSION DRAFT

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE OVERSIGHT DUTIES RELATED TO
THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred fifty thousand
dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
department of finance and administration for expenditure by the
New Mexico mortgage finance authority in fiscal year 2017 and
subsequent fiscal years for the purpose of funding the
oversight of the Affordable Housing Act. Any unexpended or
unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year
shall not revert to the general fund.

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE NEW MEXICO HOUSING TRUST FUND.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the New Mexico housing trust fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2017 and subsequent fiscal years by the New Mexico mortgage finance authority for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of the New Mexico Housing Trust Fund Act. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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DISCUSSION DRAFT

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO EXPAND A RESIDENTIAL ENERGY
CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME PERSONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million dollars
(\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
department of finance and administration for expenditure in
fiscal years 2017 and 2018 for the New Mexico mortgage finance
authority to provide for a residential energy conservation
program to increase the energy efficiency and reduce energy
expenditures of homes occupied by low-income persons in New
Mexico. No more than ten percent of this appropriation shall
be used for administrative expenses. Any unexpended or
unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2018
shall revert to the general fund.

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DISCUSSION DRAFT

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE LOANS FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--One million six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,650,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of finance and administration for expenditure in fiscal year 2017 and subsequent fiscal years for the New Mexico mortgage finance authority to provide down payment assistance loans for low- and moderate-income first-time homebuyers. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
ADMINISTRATION FOR THE NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY TO
REHABILITATE HOMES OCCUPIED BY LOW-INCOME HONORABLY DISCHARGED
VETERANS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two million dollars
(\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
department of finance and administration for expenditure in
fiscal year 2017 for the New Mexico mortgage finance authority
to provide necessary rehabilitation for homes occupied by low-
income honorably discharged veterans in New Mexico whose income
does not exceed sixty percent of the area median income. All
expenditures shall be made in accordance with the Affordable
Housing Act. Rehabilitation includes repairs necessitated by

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1 structural damage due to natural decay or disasters,
2 replacement of utility appliances and repairs necessary to
3 comply with housing health and safety code requirements and
4 accessibility modifications for physically impaired veterans.
5 No more than ten percent of this appropriation shall be used
6 for administrative expenses. Any unexpended or unencumbered
7 balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2017 shall revert
8 to the general fund.

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