

Freddie Mac Multifamily Loan Purchase Cap for 2023 is \$75 Billion

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Changes to "Mission-Driven" Parameters will Shape Multifamily Affordable Lending

MCLEAN, Va., Nov. 10, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Freddie Mac Multifamily's loan purchase cap for 2023 will be \$75 billion. The cap is <u>set by the Federal Housing Finance Agency</u> (FHFA) based on projections for the size of the multifamily debt origination market. Freddie Mac has also received from FHFA updated criteria for its "mission-driven" business, which includes loans for affordable housing and underserved market segments.

"The loan purchase cap and new mission-driven requirements will shape how we approach the multifamily market in the year ahead," said Kevin Palmer, head of Multifamily for Freddie Mac. "As always, our goal is to be a consistent source of liquidity with a keen focus on supporting affordable multifamily housing. FHFA has again set strong mission requirements that set a clear North Star for our business."

FHFA defines its mission-driven requirements in Appendix A of its Scorecard. For 2023, 50% of loans purchases must be mission driven. Mission-driven is defined as loan purchases that support:

- Targeted Affordable Housing properties where all or a portion of the units are income or rent restricted as a result of a regulatory agreement or a recorded use restriction
- Workforce Housing properties where units are subject to either rent or income restrictions that are codified in loan agreements
- Other affordable units where rents are affordable to tenants at various income thresholds but are not subject to tenant income or rent restrictions
- Properties located in rural areas as defined by the Duty to Serve regulation
- Manufactured Housing Communities that receive credit under the Duty to Serve regulation, which requires tenant pad lease protections
- Energy- or water-efficiency improvements for units affordable at or below 80% of area median income

The caps for 2022 and 2021 were \$78 billion and \$70 billion, respectively.

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