

4.2 PROJECT FUNDING SOURCES.

- A. **Tax Credit Investor Letter of Intent.** Applicant shall provide a letter of intent from the investor for the Tax Credits on the company letterhead with the price, approximate equity amount.
- B. **Financing Letters of Intent.** Applicant shall provide a letter of intent from each funding source for construction and permanent financing on the institution's letterhead. The letter for loans shall state the amount of the loan, interest rate, term, amortization period (minimum 30 years required for first mortgage debt), fees, prepayment penalties, anticipated security interest in the Property, and lien position. The letter for all other sources (including any existing debt to be assumed, grants, loans, tax credits, etc.) shall state the value of the funding, the purpose the funds may be used for, and any time limitations.
- C. **Deferred Developer Fees.** Deferred Developer fees cannot exceed 65% of the total Developer fee, and the Application must demonstrate the full amount being paid within 15 years. The deferred Developer fee shall be paid from the net cash flow and not be calculated into the minimum Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR).
- D. **Federal and State Historic Tax Credits.** Projects with historic significance shall use equity invested for the maximum amount of state and federal historic tax credits as proposed or awarded by the appropriate allocating agency as a funding source.

4.3 PROJECT OPERATING COSTS AND CASH FLOW.

- A. **Operating Expenses.** Operating expenses are based on thresholds provided by the Tax Credit equity investor partner and subject to IFA review.
- B. **Escalators.** IFA will underwrite Projects with income escalating at 2% and operating expenses escalating at 3%. Management fees will escalate at the same rate as income.
- C. **Vacancy Rate Standards.** IFA will underwrite Projects at a 7% vacancy rate unless otherwise recommended by a lender or investor.
- D. **Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR) Standards.** The Application may not show DSCR as less than 1.15 in any year. IFA will evaluate high DSCR and cash flow to determine if the requested resources are necessary for sustainability.
- E. **Replacement Reserve.** All Family Projects shall budget replacement reserves of \$350 per Unit per year, escalating at the same rate as operating expenses, or a flat \$435 per unit per year. All Older Persons Projects shall budget replacement reserves of \$300 per Unit per year, escalating at the same rate as operating expenses or a flat \$375 per unit per year. Replacement reserves are required to stay with the Project at the time of investor exit or sale of the property.
- F. **Subsidy Layering Review.** IFA shall complete a subsidy layering review for each Project that receives HUD housing assistance (other than HOME and CDBG).
- G. **Basis Boost.** The Code allows a boost in the Eligible Basis of up to 30% for Buildings located in a QCT or DDA as defined by HUD. Refer to Appendix C - QCTs & DDAs.
- H. **Tax Credit Calculation.** IFA shall determine the amount of Tax Credits necessary for the financial feasibility of the Project through the information received during the Application. IFA will utilize the percentage of the limited partnership interest in the Project and equity price in the determination of the Tax Credit amount.

**PART B –
POST RESERVATION
REQUIREMENTS**

Failure to comply with any provision of this Section may result in revocation of the Tax Credit Reservation, withholding of the IRS Form 8609 or issuance of an IRS Form 8823.

SECTION 5. POST RESERVATION REQUIREMENTS

5.1 CHANGES TO THE APPLICATION. Ownership Entities must submit any proposed Project change after Tax Credit Reservation through the online Application. IFA may approve changes, subject to conditions, or deny. Material changes may be considered but shall result in an additional fee and future scoring penalty in a 9% Round if approved. Material changes are changes that cause the Project to not be substantially the same as when awarded. This includes but is not limited to redesigns or revisions to the site, design or plans that may require extensive review, consideration for feasibility, or special considerations that may require IFA Board approval.

The following changes are not allowed and subject to loss of Tax Credits and ineligibility:

- A. Changes to the Ownership Entity after issuance of the 42M letter.
- B. Transfers of the Tax Credit Reservation.
- C. Changes in Unit mix.
- D. Changes to the minimum set-aside election.
- E. Changes that decrease the applicable fraction per building.

5.2 POST CLOSING SUBMITTAL. The Applicant shall submit evidence of site ownership, final closing documents, appropriate zoning, and all other required documents as listed in the Post Closing Submittal and LURA Issuance Instructions to the online Application within 30 days of Syndicator/Direct Investor closing.

5.3 PRIOR TO PLACED-IN-SERVICE DOCUMENTS. As a precondition to receiving IRS Form 8609, the Ownership Entity shall submit the following documents through the online Application at least 120 days prior to the first Unit placing in service. More detail is available in the Application.

- A. Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan Package (AFHMP, ads/brochures, tenant selection plan, lease, lease addendums, community rules, VAWA documents).
- B. Confirmation that the Project is listed on Iowa's free rental housing locator at www.iowaHousingSearch.org.
- C. A commitment to notify PHA of vacancies.
- D. Waitlist preference shall be in place for those most in need in terms of income, accessibility, or special tenant populations. Refer to guidance in HUD Handbook 4350.3.

5.4 MARKETABLE TITLE REQUIREMENT. The Ownership Entity shall provide adequate evidence that the Ownership Entity's title in the real estate on which the Project is to be located is a marketable title pursuant to Iowa Land Title Examination Standards, or other applicable law. Adequate evidence of marketable title is demonstrated by either: (1) a title opinion of an attorney authorized to practice law in Iowa showing marketable title in the Ownership Entity; or (2) a certificate issued by the Iowa Title Guaranty Division of IFA showing the Ownership Entity as the guaranteed. In the case of leased land, a copy of the recorded lease shall be provided.

5.5 IRS FORM 8609. After construction is complete, all buildings in a Project have been placed-in-service, and all other requirements of the IRS Form 8609 Application package have been met, a complete IRS Form 8609 Application package shall be submitted through the online Application. Upon approval of the IRS Form 8609 Application by IFA, IFA shall complete Part A of IRS Form 8609 and send it to the Ownership Entity. The Ownership Entity shall complete Part B and return a copy of the fully executed IRS Form 8609 to IFA within 60 days of IFA sending the IFA executed IRS Form 8609. The Owner's completed IRS Form 8609 shall match the terms agreed upon in the LURA.

5.6 DESTRUCTION OF A PROJECT PRIOR TO PLACEMENT-IN-SERVICE. If a Project cannot be placed in-service by the applicable federal deadline due to a casualty loss, IFA may allow the Ownership Entity to return the Tax Credits in exchange for a binding commitment by IFA to allocate a future year's Tax Credits in an amount not to exceed the original allocation. This section only covers casualty losses not addressed under Revenue Procedure 2014-49.

5.7 COMPLIANCE. IFA has established procedures for monitoring compliance. Refer to the IFA Compliance Manual and supporting documentation. Any other rent and income restrictions required by other programs, including HOME, shall still apply as applicable.

5.8 COMPLIANCE PERIOD (INITIAL 15-YEAR COMPLIANCE PERIOD). The Compliance Period is the 10-year credit period and additional 5-year period for a total of 15 taxable years, beginning with the first taxable year of the credit period. Any other rent and income restrictions required by other programs, including HOME, shall still apply as applicable.

5.9 EXTENDED USE PERIOD (LONG TERM COMPLIANCE PERIOD). The time frame that begins the first day of the Initial 15-Year Compliance Period, in which the building is a part of a qualified low-income housing Project and ends 15 years after the close of the Initial 15-Year Compliance Period, or the date specified by IFA in the LURA. Any other rent and income restrictions required by other programs, including HOME, shall still apply as applicable.

SECTION 6: TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The following terms and conditions apply to all Applicants and Projects that receive a reservation of 4% Tax Credits and IRS Form 8609 Allocation.

IFA will rely on the following when interpreting the requirements of the QAP: (1) the QAP, including the Tax Credit Application, appendices, exhibits, instructions, and any incorporated materials; (2) IFA's questions and answers for the QAP; and (3) IFA's past practice. IFA may, at its discretion, conduct due diligence to verify information provided by the Applicant. An Applicant's interpretation of the QAP and its requirements is immaterial.

6.1 DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. The items described in this Section are incorporated by reference in the QAP.

- A. 26 USC Section 42 as amended and the related Treasury regulations in effect as of the date this QAP is adopted by the Board.
- B. Iowa Code Section 16.35 and the rules promulgated by IFA to govern the Tax Credit Program in effect as of the effective date hereof.
- C. IFA Compliance Manual.
- D. In the case of any inconsistency or conflict between the items listed in this Section, conflicts shall be resolved as follows:
 - 1. First by IRC Section 42 and the related Treasury regulations,
 - 2. Second by Iowa Code Sections 16.4, 16.35, and the rules governing the QAP; and
 - 3. Third by the QAP.

6.2 BINDING OBLIGATIONS. The representations made in the Application bind the Applicant and shall become a contractual obligation of the Developer and the Ownership Entity and any Entity the Developer or the Ownership Entity is representing in the presentation of the Application or a successor in interest in the event Tax Credits are awarded to a proposed Project. The contractual obligation constitutes the agreement between the parties, as represented by the Developer or Ownership Entity, within the following documents: the QAP, Application (with any permitted amendments), and any other agreements executed between IFA and the Ownership Entity.

6.3 LAND USE RESTRICTION AGREEMENT (LURA). The Project shall be subject to the LURA, which is an agreement between IFA and the Ownership Entity and all its successors in interest. The LURA shall conform to the requirements of IRC Section 42(h), Iowa Code Section 16.35 and the QAP.

6.4 NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY REGARDING QAP. IFA makes no representation or warranty to any Person or Entity as to compliance issues or the feasibility or viability of any Project.

6.5 IFA POLICY ON CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE. The Applicant and any of its employees, agents, or sub-contractors doing business with IFA understand and agree that it is the responsibility of the Developer, Ownership Entity, and Management Company to adhere to and comply with all federal civil rights legislation, including the Fair Housing Laws, the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as any state and local civil rights legislation. The Developer and Ownership Entity are responsible for being aware of and complying with all non-discrimination provisions of federal, state, or local law.

6.6 VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA). The Applicant and any of its employees, agents, or sub-contractors doing business with IFA understand and agree that it is the responsibility of the Developer, Management Company, and Ownership Entity to adhere to and comply with the Violence Against Women Act, including adding the VAWA lease terms provided by the authority to its leases.

**PART C –
CONSTRUCTION
REQUIREMENTS**

SECTION 7. PRIOR TO THE INITIATION OF CONSTRUCTION

7.1 CHANGES IN SCOPE. The Ownership Entity shall not make any changes or alterations to the Project (including the site layout, floor plan, elevations, or amenities) from Reservation without IFA's written authorization. This includes changes required by local governments to receive building permits.

7.2 IFA PLAN REVIEW. The Ownership Entity shall submit final plans, specifications, the energy audit or analysis, and CNA, if applicable, to IFA upon completion. IFA shall give written approval before the Ownership Entity commences site work or construction.

7.3 ENERGY. For Acquisition/Rehab Projects, the Ownership Entity must provide:

- A. A copy of the energy audit conducted by the Energy Consultant, and
- B. Appropriate specifications to meet IECC standards or alternate cost-effective energy improvements with the final construction documents.

IFA requires an engineer or architect to certify that the architect has met and coordinated the design with the energy consultant and Ownership Entity and that the design meets the applicable International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), as shown in Section 11 – Building Standards. The contract for the determination of the energy audit shall be between the certified rater and the Ownership Entity. This section does not apply to Historic projects.

7.4 PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING. An IFA representative shall attend a contractor/developer construction meeting at or near the initiation of construction. The Ownership Entity must provide a copy of the contractor's initial pay application with a schedule of values when executed.

7.5 MINIMUM DEVELOPMENT CHARACTERISTICS – ALL PROJECTS. All construction will use the following minimum development characteristics. Projects with Historic tax credits may request exceptions when recommended by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO).

A. General.

2. **Construction Warranty.** Provide an enforceable minimum 1 year blanket construction warranty stipulating that the general contractor is responsible to do or have done any and all required warranty repair work, including consequential damages, at its own expense.
3. **No Smoking Policy.** Implement and enforce a "no smoking" policy in all Units and common areas, not including public areas of the exterior grounds.
4. **Community Room.** For senior Projects only, community room must be 20 square feet per unit up to the first 40 units made available exclusively to all tenants and guests of the Project, either in a stand-alone building or incorporated within a residential structure, located entirely on the Property. Does not apply to Scattered Site Projects. Furnishings and room design shall be conducive for those with hearing, vision, and mobility impairments.

5. **Playground.** For family Projects only, an outdoor area provided for children to play in containing 5 to 7 commercial grade play components (an element intended to generate specific opportunities for play, socialization, or learning) that does not include wood. At least 2 must be elevated. Swings, spring riders, water tables, playhouses, slides, and climbers are acceptable; ramps, transfer systems, steps, decks, and roofs are not. The playground must comply with the requirements of the Department of Justice 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. IFA may approve alternatives on a limited case by case basis. Does not apply to Scattered Site Projects.
6. **Sidewalks.** Concrete sidewalks providing access to a city public way from each entrance door.
7. **Trash Enclosures.** Screened trash removal areas.
8. **Internet Access.** High speed internet wiring for broadband, wireless, or digital subscriber line (DSL) for all Units.
9. **Video Security System.** The security system shall continually record activity at the site as follows: Parts of the site to be covered include parking areas, all building entrances, and the main level of the stairways. The recordings shall be maintained for a minimum of 14 days. Single family or each building in Scattered Site Projects are required to have the Video Security System.

B. EXTERIOR CONSTRUCTION.

1. **Exterior Design.** The Project shall have a building design that is appealing and appropriate for the community and neighborhood, including varied facades, rooflines, and exterior materials.
2. **Exterior Siding.** Exterior siding shall be durable and impact resistant. Vinyl does not qualify as durable. Each building's exterior siding shall not be single material texture and color combination exceeding 70% of the siding: brick, fiber cement board siding, or engineered wood siding with quality standards similar to Smartside, and/or nominal, 2" nominal thickness manufactured stone over ¾" stucco, nail on stone panels or metal siding approved by IFA. The exterior siding requirements do not apply to buildings that are 100% brick or stone. The soffit and fascia shall be pre-finished aluminum, fiber cement board, or engineered wood siding with quality standards similar to Smartside. Soffits shall be vented.
3. **Main Entrance Areas.** Apartment building main entrances to interior shall have a foyer and be equipped with a remote security and intercom system to each Unit to control entry to common areas.
4. **Roofs.** Roofs shall have a 30 year full warranty. Flat roofs shall have a minimum 60 mil TPO or EPDM thickness and a 10 year full warranty. Full warranty includes: all labor and materials for the entire roofing system and insurance rider for consequential damage. All reroofing applications shall include the removal of the existing roofing system down to the roof deck.
5. **Unit Doors.** Entry doors to the Unit shall have steel frames that are thermally broken, or metal clad wood frames. Entry doors shall be solid core wood or solid wood panel type, insulated metal, or fiberglass panel, lockset, and deadbolt lock with 1 inch throw. Primary entry door shall have a 180-degree peephole or glass insert. Non-primary entry door may be a sliding patio door.

C. INTERIOR CONSTRUCTION

1. **Appliances.** The kitchen shall have a cook top, an oven, a microwave, a cooling/freezing unit, built-in dishwasher, and a sink. Single-bowl sinks shall be minimum 20" x 30". Appliances shall be Energy Star. These requirements do not apply to Single Room Occupancy Units.
2. **Water Conserving Measures.** Toilets are high efficiency WaterSense toilets that use 1.28 gallons per flush or less; faucet aerators use 1.5 gallons per minute (gpm) or less in kitchens and 1.2 gpm or less in bathrooms; showerheads use 1.75 gpm or less. Dual flush toilets do not qualify.
3. **Cabinetry.** Cabinetry and woodwork shall meet ANSI/AWI standards for Custom Grade Cabinetry and/ have the KCMMAA161.1 Quality Certification Seal or demonstrate they meet the KCMMA quality standards.
4. **Closet Rods and Shelves.** Closet rods and shelves are required in each bedroom closet in each Unit. For Accessible Units only, the closet shelves and hanger bars shall be easy to adjust to different heights with no tools required with adjustable standards and brackets. Hanger rods shall attach to the shelving and provide continuous slide for hangers between supports. Shelves shall be 12" deep minimum and material vinyl coated steel or similar.
5. **Paints and Primers, Adhesives, Caulks and Sealants.** Paints, primers, adhesives, caulks, and sealants shall comply with Federal regulations applicable to low VOC requirements.
6. **Minimum Bathroom Accessories:**
 - Towel bar(s) within reach of lavatory and tub/shower
 - Toilet paper holder
 - Shower curtain rod (if applicable)
 - Mirror
 - Cabinet with drawers, shelf-space, or medicine storage cabinet
7. **Carpeting.** If installed, carpets shall be 100% nylon or nylon/olefin blend or Triexta. Fully Accessible Units shall have a maximum ¼-inch pile.
8. **Resilient Flooring.** ⅛-inch vinyl composition tile with color and pattern full thickness, LVT, sheet vinyl, linoleum flooring, tile flooring, bamboo, wood, or polished concrete.
9. **Resilient Flooring — Bathrooms.** LVT, sheet vinyl, linoleum flooring, or tile flooring.
10. **Durable Windowsills.** All windowsills/ledges shall be composed of moisture-resistant materials, such as plastic laminate, molded plastic, cultured marble, etc.
11. **Window Covering.** Window coverings are required. A spring loaded type window shade is not an approved covering.

D. ENERGY REQUIREMENTS.

1. **Heating and Air Conditioning.** All Units shall be heated and air conditioned. Heating and air conditioning equipment must meet current Energy Star standards and use non CFC or HCFC refrigerants. Window units are not allowed. Electric resistance heating is not allowed as the primary heating source for new construction adaptive reuse and must be approved at the time of application if proposed for an Acquisition/Rehab or rehab project. AC sleeves shall be provided with a tight-fitting, insulated cover for thru wall AC units. Winter covers shall be provided for each AC unit.
2. **Water Heaters.** Water heating equipment shall meet current Energy Star standards.

7.7. MINIMUM DEVELOPMENT CHARACTERISTICS – NEW CONSTRUCTION AND ADAPTIVE REUSE.

New Construction and Adaptive Reuse Construction must use the following additional minimum development characteristics:

- A. **Closets.** Each bedroom shall have a closet (2 foot x 5 foot minimum) with a door. The minimum complement of dedicated closets per Unit include: 1 linen closet or cabinet 1.5 foot x 2 foot minimum and 1 coat closet 2 foot x 3 foot minimum.
- B. **Laundry.** Each Unit must have an enclosed washer and dryer (accessible if applicable), and the dryer vented to the building exterior.
- C. **Unit Bathrooms.** Three or more bedroom Units in new construction and Adaptive Reuse Projects shall have at least 1 full bathroom and 1 three-quarter bathroom.
- D. **Windows.** Each Unit shall have at least one operable window per bedroom to allow for ventilation or serve as an emergency escape and rescue opening for Units located below the fourth story of a building.
- E. **Main Entrance Areas.** Single-family, duplex, and rowhouse Unit main entrances to exterior shall have a storm door and a covered entry with a minimum depth and width of coverage of 4 feet by 4 feet.
- F. **Energy Requirements.** In addition to meeting Iowa State Code and the IECC, the Project shall meet or exceed prescriptive standards for Multi Family New Construction (MFNC) or prescriptive standards for Energy Star Certified Homes (except where those requirements have been reduced herein) and receive a Home Energy Rating Systems (HERS) Index of 70 or less from a certified rater in Iowa. A home energy rating performed by a certified HERS rater is required on each building after it is completed to verify that actual construction meets the above listed requirements. Five Units with different floor plans and orientations for complexes of less than 50 Units and 10% of Units, up to a maximum of 10 Units in complexes of 50 or more Units shall be rated. The contract for the determination of the HERS index shall be between the certified rater and the Ownership Entity.
- G. **Radon System.** All new construction Projects shall install a passive radon system, including a drain tile loop below the building slab along with vertical vent pipes and junction boxes. Passive radon systems shall be upgraded to active systems if required radon tests conducted post construction exceeds permissible thresholds. Refer to Appendix F – “Radon Control Methods” in the 2012 International Residential Code.

H. Accessibility.

1. Fully Accessible Units. Projects shall have at least 10% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) Unit fully accessible for persons with mobility disabilities constructed in accordance with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS). Type A Units and Type B Units do not qualify.
2. Units with Accessible Communication Features. In addition to the 10% fully accessible Units, 2% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) must be accessible for persons with hearing or visual disabilities. Refer to Section 15 – Building Standards.

For the purposes of determining the number of Units, fractional Units will be increased to the next whole Unit.

7.8 MINIMUM DEVELOPMENT CHARACTERISTICS – ACQUISITION/REHAB. Rehabilitation Construction must use the following additional minimum development characteristics:

- A. **Scope of Work.** The Scope of Work must identify necessary improvements identified in the CNA, including but not limited to:
1. Making common areas accessible, creating, or improving sidewalks, installing new roof shingles, adding gutters, sealing brick veneers, applying exterior paint, or siding, and re-surfacing or re-paving parking areas.
 2. Improving site and exterior dwelling lighting with Energy Star qualified lighting fixtures, landscaping/ fencing, and durable siding.
 3. Using energy-efficient related Energy Star labeled products to replace inferior ones, including insulated windows.
 4. Improving heating and cooling Units, plumbing fixtures and water heaters, toilets, sinks, faucets, and tub/shower Units to meet minimum efficiency standards for new construction.
 5. Improving quality of interior conditions and fixtures, including carpet, vinyl, interior doors, painting, drywall repairs, cabinets, Energy Star appliances, Energy Star light fixtures, and window coverings to meet minimum efficiency standards for new construction.
 6. Upgrading electrical circuits to have GFCI outlets at kitchens, baths, laundries, and other applicable locations.
 7. Upgrading all interior lighting to LED.
 8. Items that are being replaced must meet the standards set in 14.5 – Minimum Development Characteristics – All Projects.
- B. **Resident/Community Laundry.** A common laundry room facility located on site with a minimum of 1 washer/dryer to serve each 12 Units. An Applicant may provide a washer and dryer in each Unit in lieu of a common laundry room facility.
- C. **Smoke Detectors/CO2 Detectors.** Install or replace all smoke detectors/CO2 detectors, and these shall have a 10-year battery if not hard wired.
- D. **Radon System.** All Acquisition/Rehab Projects shall have a radon test prior to construction. Projects with basements or subfloors are required to have a passive radon system installed or an active system if radon tests exceed permissible thresholds. Projects built on slab on grade may forgo the installation of a radon system if radon tests are found to be below the permissible thresholds. Refer to Appendix F –

“Radon Control Methods” in the 2012 International Residential Code.

- E. **Accessibility.** Projects shall have at least 5% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) Unit accessible for persons with mobility disabilities constructed in accordance with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS). An additional 2% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) must be accessible for persons with hearing or visual disabilities (Units with Accessible Communication Features). For the purposes of determining the number of Units, fractional Units will be increased to the next whole Unit. Refer to Section 15 – Building Standards.
1. Fully Accessible Units. Projects shall have at least 5% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) Unit fully accessible for persons with mobility disabilities constructed in accordance with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS). Type A Units and Type B Units do not qualify.
 2. Units with Accessible Communication Features. In addition to the 5% fully accessible Units, 2% percent of the Units, or at least 1 (whichever is greater) must be accessible for persons with hearing or visual disabilities. Refer to Section 15 – Building Standards.

For the purposes of determining the number of Units, fractional Units will be increased to the next whole Unit.

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SECTION 8. BUILDING STANDARDS

Preliminary site plan and floor plans are to be submitted with the Application to IFA. The Applicant shall meet local, state and federal standards that apply to the Project, regardless if listed below.

- A. 2015 International Building Code adopted and published by the International Code Council.
- B. 2015 International Existing Building Code adopted and published by the International Code Council.
- C. 2015 International Residential Code adopted and published by the International Code Council (excepting paragraphs R313.1 and R313.2; sprinklers are not required in single family or townhomes separated by 2 hr. fire walls).
- D. 2015 International Fire Code adopted and published by the International Code Council.
- E. 2015 International Mechanical Code adopted and published by the International Code Council.
- F. 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code adopted by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials.
- G. 2020 National Electric Code adopted by the National Electrical Code Committee and published by the National Fire Protection Association, Inc.
- H. 2015 International Energy Conservation Code adopted by the International Code Council.
- I. Iowa Administrative Code, including but not limited to the following Chapters: 300 (Administration), 301 (General Provisions), 302 (Accessibility of Building), 303 (Energy Conservation), 350 (State Historic Building), and 25 (State Plumbing Code).
- J. Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards provided in 24 CFR Part 8 and delineated in the American National Standards Institute Standard 2009 A117.1.
- K. The Americans with Disabilities Act 1990 provided by the Federal Department of Justice. All publicly accessible areas must meet the accessibility requirements of this Act.
- L. The Federal Fair Housing Act of 1988 – all buildings with 4 or more units must comply with this Act and the Fair Housing Design Standards. Applies to ground floor Units or all Units in an elevator building.
- M. For Adaptive Reuse/Rehabilitation, the Lead Base Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead Based Paint Hazards, Environmental Protection Administration (EPA) and Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) provisions shall apply when applicable.
- N. For Adaptive Reuse/Rehabilitation, if applicable, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) clearance Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 36 CFR Part 800 for Projects receiving any direct federal funding (HOME or categorical grant) or affecting properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places, or in a designated historic preservation district or zone.

**PART D –
GLOSSARY OF
TERMS**

The following bolded terms shall have the meanings set forth herein unless context clearly requires a different meaning.

Affiliates: Any Person or Entity who (i) directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries' control, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Applicant; or (ii) owns or controls any outstanding voting securities, partnership interests, membership interests, or other ownership interests of the Applicant; or (iii) is an officer, director, guarantor, employee, agent, partner, member, manager, or shareholder of the Applicant; or (iv) has an officer, director, member, manager, guarantor, employee, agent, partner, or shareholder who is also an officer, director, member, manager, employee, agent, partner, or shareholder of the Applicant.

Applicant: The Ownership Entity, Developer, General Partner, or Affiliate as shown in the Application.

Area Median Gross Income (AMI): The most current tenant income requirements published by HUD pursuant to the qualified Low-Income Housing Project requirements of IRC Section 42(g).

Disability: At least one of the following criteria: (1) Has a physical, mental or emotional impairment which is expected to be of long continued and indefinite duration, substantially impedes the person's ability to live independently, and is of a nature that such ability could be improved by more suitable housing conditions; or (2) Has a developmental Disability, defined as a severe chronic Disability which is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments, is manifested before the Person attains age 22, is likely to continue indefinitely, results in substantial functional limitation in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, mobility, self-direction, capacity for independent living, and economic self-sufficiency; and which reflects the person's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services which are of lifelong, or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated.

Eligible Basis: The Project costs allowable under Section 42(d) that are used to calculate the maximum Tax Credits.

Entity: Any General Partnership, limited partnership, corporation, joint venture, trust, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, business trust, cooperative or other business association.

Family Project: General occupancy project with no age restrictions.

Identity of Interest: A financial, familial, or business relationship that permits less than an arm's length transaction. No matter how many transactions are made subsequently between Persons, corporations, or trusts controlled by the Ownership Entity/Developer, these subsequent transactions shall not be considered "arm's-length". Identity of Interest includes but is not limited to the following: the existence of a reimbursement program or exchange of funds; common financial interests; common officers, directors, or stockholders; family relationships among the officers, directors, or stockholders; the Entity is controlled by the same group of corporations; a partnership and each of its partners; a limited liability company and each of its members; or an S Corporation and each of its shareholders. Failure to disclose an Identity of Interest is an unsatisfactory performance issue with IFA and may deem the party ineligible for future rounds.

Low-Income Unit: Any residential rental Unit if such Unit is rent-restricted and the occupant's income meets the limitations applicable as required for a qualified low-income housing Project.

Older Persons/Senior Housing: Housing that meets the Fair Housing Act definition of housing for older persons and is exempt from the law's familial status requirements provided that: (1) HUD has determined that the dwelling is specifically designed for and occupied by elderly persons under a federal or state government program; (2) it is occupied solely by persons who are 62 or older; or (3) it houses at least 1 person who is 55 years or older in at least 80% of the occupied Units, and adheres to a policy that demonstrates intent to house persons who are 55 years old or older.

Owner Representative: The General Partner(s) or managing member(s) of the Ownership Entity.

Project: A low-income rental housing Property the Applicant of which represents that it is or will be a qualified low-income housing Project within the meaning of IRC Section 42(g). With regard to this definition, the Project is that Property which is the basis for the Application.

Property: The real estate and all improvements thereon which are the subject of the Application, including all items of personal Property affixed or related thereto, whether currently existing or proposed to be built thereon in connection with the Application.

Radon System (Sub-Slab Depressurization System): Radon-resistant features below the building slab along with vertical vent pipe(s) with junction box(es) following requirements in ASTM E2121-13 Standard Practice for Installing Radon Mitigation Systems in Existing Low Rise Residential Buildings and ASTM E1465 – 08a Standard Practice for Radon Control Options for the Design and Construction of New Low-Rise Residential Buildings. Find other technical guidance at [EPA Radon Resources for Builders and Contractors](#).

Single-Room Occupancy (SRO) Housing: Housing consisting of single-room dwelling Units that is the primary residence of its occupant or occupants. Per Iowa Code 42(i)(3)(B)(iii), all SRO Units shall have kitchen and bathroom facilities within the Unit and used other than on a transient basis.

State Issued Notice of Noncompliance: A notice that identifies noncompliance issues (that existed at the property during a physical inspection or file review) with the LURA, the Application, etc. that are not reported to the IRS via IRS Form 8823, throughout the Compliance Period and the Extended Use Period.

Tax Credits: The Low-Income Housing Tax Credits issued pursuant to the program, IRC Section 42, and Iowa Code Section 16.35.

Tax Credit Reservation: With respect to a Project or a building within a Project, the amount of Tax Credits IFA awards to an Ownership Entity.

Tax Credit Reservation Date: The date that the notice of Tax Credit Reservation was emailed to an approved Applicant.

Unit: A room or a group of related rooms designed for use as a dwelling for which rent is paid. A Unit contains sleeping accommodations, a kitchen, and a bathroom.

Utilities: Gas, electricity, water, sewer service, and trash.

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