

# **Metro Cities News**

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## Reminder! Metro Cities Breakfast this Friday at LMC Conference

Metro Cities will host a breakfast this Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the League of Minnesota Cities 2023 Annual Conference from **8-9 am in the Split Rock room of the Duluth Convention Center**. If you are in Duluth, please join us Friday morning!

## 2023 Metro Cities Policy Committees

Metro Cities 2023 policy committee meetings will begin late July, and your participation is encouraged! Committees will recommend the association's legislative policies for 2024. Participation is open to member city elected officials and staff, and committee descriptions and dates are on Metro Cities' website. Please be sure to sign up for the committee(s) you wish to attend. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

#### **Community Development Committee Awards TBRA Grants**

On Tuesday, the Metropolitan Council's Community Development Committee discussed funding recommendations for round one of the Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA). This grant funding can be used to clean up and redevelop contaminated land and buildings. For 2023, there is a total of \$5.5 million available for distribution, with two application deadlines of May 1<sup>st</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup>. View the PowerPoint presentation HERE.

The recommendations for the first grant round include 12 awards from the Tax Base Revitalization Account which total \$2.37 million. You can see a list of the awarded applicants and their projects HERE.

If you have any questions, reach out to Ania McDonnell at <a href="mailto:ania@metrocitiesmn.org">ania@metrocitiesmn.org</a>.

#### Minnesota Housing 2023 Single Family Consolidated RFP

The <u>Single-Family Consolidated RFP</u> is open for applications for 2023. This program provides funding for single family, owner-occupied affordable housing projects statewide. The application deadline is 12 noon Thursday, July 13, 2023, to Minnesota Housing. Due to the significant increase in funding from the Legislature this year, Minnesota Housing will be able to fund many more projects and units than it has in recent years. They are encouraging applicants to apply for projects with larger funding commitments that can be completed over a three-year period instead of the typical 20 months. They are also encouraging applicants to assume the prevailing wage will apply to the proposed project. Here is an <u>application guide and instructions</u>.

For new construction project applications through the RFP, you are encouraged to <u>view this</u> <u>webinar</u> from Minnesota Housing for more information regarding visitability and prevailing wage.

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