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## Social Interest Housing Mitigation Program



The CDBG-MIT Social Interest Housing Mitigation (SIHM) Program aims to fund mitigation projects for structures that house or provide services to Puerto Rico's most vulnerable populations. Entities dedicated to working with these sectors are eligible to participate in the Program by presenting construction projects that result in modern, resilient, and high-quality structures.

With the purpose of continuing to work for these groups' social mobility, the **SIHM Program is opening a second application round**. This competitive period **begins Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 8:00 am and ends on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 5:00 pm**.

The SIHM Program Guidelines considers the following groups as vulnerable populations

- ✓ Abused children
- ✓ Battered spouses
- ✓ adults meeting Bureau of Census' definition of severely disabled adults
- ✓ Elderly persons
- ✓ Illiterate adults
- ✓ Persons living with AIDS
- ✓ Migrant farm workers
- ✓ Homeless persons

### ELIGIBLE ENTITIES

**The following entities are eligible to participate in the SIHM Program:**

- non-governmental organization (Section 501(c)(3))
- Not for profit entities
- Community-Based Development Organizations (CBDO)

The entity must have either a minimum of one (1) year of experience serving vulnerable populations, or its key staff must be qualified and possess five (5) years of experience relevant to the services that will be offered.

### ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

**Projects for new construction, property reconstruction and repairs must include one (1) of the following property types:**

- Single-family housing
- Two-unit structures
- Multi-unit rental property
- Group homes
- Public facilities
- Other properties or special needs housing, as needed by the population served

To be eligible, your entity and proposed project type must comply with the other requirements identified in the Program Guidelines, available through the following link:

<https://recuperacion.pr.gov/en/download/social-interest-housing-mitigation-program/>.



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## **AWARD AND COMPETITIVE PROCESS DETAILS**

The SIHM Program will grant an award between

**\$ 750K - \$ 2.5M**

per project.



The Program will administer project implementation, including the hiring of and payment to contractors; therefore, the **Program will not transfer funds to selected applicants.**



The link for completing and **submitting the application** will be shared at a later date.

