RAFT Legislative Quarterly Report

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Introduction

The Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) submits this report to the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means in accordance with legislative language related to line item 7004-9316, the Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) program, below:

provided further, that the department shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (1) number of families who applied for assistance; (2) number of families approved for assistance; (3) minimum, median and average amount of financial assistance awarded; (4) total amount of assistance awarded to date, including a breakdown by income category; and (5) number of families falling into each income category.

Data

Applications

Households who applied for assistance	48,755
Households approved for assistance	14,013

Note that a household who is approved for assistance may apply one or more times. The approval rate appears artificially low for this reason as a household may apply and have their application timed out for missing documentation (for example) but later reapply and be approved.

Households may be approved for assistance more than once, but within the same quarter, this is rare. Any household who was approved more than once in a quarter is counted more than once.

"Households who applied for assistance" includes all incoming applications. "Households approved for assistance" and all data in "Financial Assistance Awarded" includes only applications funded by RAFT and not any applications funded by reallocated federal Emergency Rental Assistance dollars.

Financial Assistance Awarded

Minimum amount of financial assistance awarded	\$23
Median amount of financial assistance awarded	\$3,395
Average amount of financial assistance awarded	\$3,676

	Total assistance awarded in this	Total households
	quarter	served in this quarter
Total	\$51,519,663.91	14,013
Assistance awarded for households with	\$19,888,577.72	5,745
income 0-15% AMI		

Assistance awarded for households with	\$15,078,044.73	4,025
income 16-30% AMI		
Assistance awarded for households with	\$16,553,041.46	4,243
income 31% + AMI		