

## RAAP Q&A

Question: I own a home in the Petworth neighborhood and have been considering turning my basement into a in-law suite for possible low income rental. I see that there may be a program to assist with costs. I am very interested in speaking with someone about this process. I'm not sure where to begin or whom I should be directing my questions.

Answer: Thank you for your email and interest in the Residential Accessory Apartment Program. The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has issued a [Request for Applications](#) for an entity or group to coordinate with interested homeowners to update accessory apartments. The application period closes April 8 & DHCD will then review any applications and hopefully begin the process of awarding funds to the successful applicant. That successful applicant will then contact interested homeowners and we will pass along your contact information. Further information should be available on our [website](#) as it becomes available.

Question: I am a ward 4 resident and I am interested in participating in the pilot program for the ADU grant. I have a 2 car garage with an unfinished room above. Could I be a part of the pilot program?

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Question: This is an inquiry about a program that the mayor has endorsed re renovating basements for senior homeowners desiring to add income to their retirement years.

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Question: According to the Residential Accessory Apartments Program (RAAP) RFA, funding will "be *disbursed* to the Grantee by September 30, 2022" (p. 3). Is the expectation that the grantee will have 12 months to complete the project in FY 2023, or from the date of "disbursement"?

Answer: The expectation is that funding will be disbursed from the grantee to interested homeowners as soon as practical and certainly within 12 months of the grantee receiving the funds. Interested grantees should include plans for how/when funds will be disbursed in their application.

Question: The RFA asks for an attachment G as, "Conflict of Interest Policy and Statements." The insertion of the article, "and" implies that you are seeking additional documents, dissimilar (or similar)

to the conflict of interest document. Question: what is meant by “Statements”? What are the additional documents that you are asking for?

Answer: The language was intended to cover Conflict of Interest Policies or Conflict of Interest Statements. Please provide whatever documentation you have related to conflicts of interest.