



Homes for Families FY18 Analysis and Recommendations on Key Housing Programs

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Program	FY17 Funding	H1 Proposed Funding	HWM Proposed Funding	HWM Language	HFF Recommendation
Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (7004-9024)	Appropriation was \$85,347,706, then increased to \$88.9M through Supplemental Funding, then 9C cut to \$86,547,706	\$97,503,438	\$100,000,000	Increases the income cap to 80% and allows targetting to lower incomes; deletes historic language and includes data and reporting language	Funding: \$120M; Language: adopt Governor's language including raising the income cap to 80% AMI, allowing spending on a voucher management system, targeting, and deleting historic language. Re-insert data and reporting language; insert language to increase rent cap to current Fair Market Rate
Emergency Assistance (7004-0101)	\$178,941,843 (projected spending after Supplemental Funding. FY17 Appropriation was \$155,533,948 (with a \$400,000 9C earmark cut)	\$164,696,546	\$155,533,948	Reduces reporting frequency; maintains technical assistance language; restores oversight language	Funding: \$164,696,546; Language: address eligibility concerns and increase data and reporting requirements. Maintain technical assistance and playspace language.
HomeBASE (7004-0108)	\$31,943,664	\$31,079,696	\$31,079,696	Includes Sober Living Programs but maintains the cap and referral language; restores data, reporting and oversight language	Funding: \$35M; Language: Adopt Governor's proposed name update; add Sober Living Programs and eliminate the cap and simplify language of HB Expansion to DV/SA programs; restore data and oversight language; add language to make HomeBASE renewable to prevent families who are timing off the program to become homeless again; retore advance payment language
RAFT (7004-9316)	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$15,000,000	Removes the expansion to households without children	Funding: \$18M; Language: If expanding eligibility, maintain language that provided further, an amount not less than the fiscal year 2017 appropriation shall be made available to eligible families with children under the age of 21
End Homelessness Reserve Fund (1599-0017)	\$1,000,000 (through FY16 Close Out Supplemental Budget)	\$1,000,000	x	x	Funding: \$1M; Language - insert reporting and coordination language
Housing Stabilization and Preservation Trust Fund (7004-4778)		\$3,000,000	x	x	Funding: \$3M
Tenancy Preservation Program (7004-3045)	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000		Funding: \$1M
Housing Court Expansion (New Item)		\$1,000,000	x	x	Funding: \$1.2M