**Name of Funding:** HOME Investment Partnerships Program

**Focus of Funding:** Create affordable housing for low income people

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- **For local government:** Must qualify for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- **For recipients:** Funding must be directed at people with incomes below a specified level depending on region and size of the program, and can be used for rental assistance or down payment assistance. Funding goes to either apartment owner or home buyer.

**Funding Mechanism:** Federal Grant

**Funding Source:** Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**Maximum amount:** CDBG formula amount if it is above $500,000 or smaller sub-grants from state if city does not automatically qualify.

**Other rules of the program:** Housing funded by the project must be affordable for 20 years, have a maximum price to the buyer/renter, have a maximum subsidy per unit, and the city must contribute 25% of the cost of any project.

**Advantages of the program:** Federal funds to increase availability of affordable housing, does not have to be paid back.

**Drawbacks of the program:** Subject to federal government approval, requires extensive documentation, can not be used for luxury housing or people earning over 80% of median income of the area.

**Case Study Example:** Used in the City of McKinney

**Sources:** [http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/](http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/)