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From: Jennifer Leimaile Ho, Commissioner, Minnesota Housing

**Subject:** 2023 Operating Costs Report

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 462A.20, subd. 4, I am submitting the Agency's Operating Costs Report for FY 2022 and Budget Plan for FY 2023.

Our FY 2022 operating budget was \$39.168 million and we anticipate our operating budget will be \$42.448 million for FY 2023, an estimated increase of 8.4%. Total assistance provided in FY 2022 was \$2.2 billion and our ratio of operating expenses to assistance provided was 1.8%. Total assistance provided increased by 13.5% from FY 2021 to FY 2022.

Also enclosed is the Agency's FY 2022 Financial Report, which includes the audited financial statements for all of the Agency's funds. An independent certified public accounting firm audits the Agency's financial statements every year. The procedures used to audit the Agency's administrative expenses are primarily analytical in nature. For the larger individual amounts included in the salaries and benefits and other general operating expense lines, comparisons are made to the prior year. Large fluctuations, if any, are identified, reviewed and assessed for reasonableness. The FY2022 Financial Report fulfills the statutory requirement that the financial statement include information on expenditures and receipts relating to debt issuance and administration, and loan origination and administration.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (651) 296-5738 or Jennifer. Ho@state.mn.us or Ryan Baumtrog at (651) 296-9820 or ryan.baumtrog@state.mn.us



## Operating Costs Report for FY 2022 and Budget for FY 2023 Submitted Pursuant to M.S. 462A.20, Subd. 4

Operating Costs	FY 2022  Budgeted Actual Spending Spending			Budgeted Spending	Actual Spending through 12/31/2022	2023 Estimated Spending for the Full Year	Under (Over) Budget		Estimated Yr over Yr Increase (Decrease) in Spending
Salaries and Benefits (NOTE A)	35,1	56 32	2,715	37,150	15,979	34,571	2,5		1,856
Rents and Utilities	1,7		,661	1,766	838	1,729	37		68
Repairs, Alterations, Maintenance		50 42	246 99	121 239	63	123 179	(2) 60		(123) 80
Printing and Advertising Professional/Technical Services (NOTE B)	3,5		99 628	3,115	34 727	2,011	1,104		1,383
Computer and Systems Services	2,4		2,346	2,633	725	2,077	556		(269)
Communications		55	88	109	31	86	23		(2)
Travel and Subsistence, Instate		94	102	201	51	151	50		49
Travel and Subsistence, Out of State		54	19	194	45	147	47		128
Supplies		55	197		105	186	(23)		(11)
Equipment	6	10	316	730	30	355	375		`39
Employee Development	4	.00	229	421	80	283	138		54
Other Operating Costs	2	34	269	291	219	296	(5)		27
State Indirect Cost Billings		96	196	124	62	124	0		(72)
Attorney General Costs		32	57_	180	40	130	50		73
Total, Agency Operating Costs	45,3	76 39	,168	47,437	19,029	42,448	4,989		3,280
Assistance Provided	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Assistance Provided by the Agency (NOTE C)	754,083	1,037,283	1,091,030	1,117,548	1,266,939	1,353,737	1,599,546	1,919,613	2,178,282
Operating Costs as a % of Assistance Provided	3.55%	2.88%	2.82%	3.19%	2.84%	2.58%	2.32%	1.99%	1.80%

**NOTE A, Salaries and Benefits.** The increase in Salaries is due mainly to a 2.5% Cost of Living increase and progression increases for those eligible, as well as an increase in FTE's hired temporarily for assistance running the RentHelpMN and HomeHelpMN programs.

**NOTE B, Professional/Technical Services.** The increase in the Professional/Technical Services is a result of the greatly reduced expenditures in this line item in fiscal year 2021 due to less activity on special projects during the pandemic.

**NOTE C, Assistance Provided.** The assistance provided figures are from the Agency's annual Program Assessment Report that is submitted to the Legislature each year. The assistance figures are for a federal fiscal year ended September 30.