



## Helping Michigan's Hardest-Hit Homeowners

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Many Michigan homeowners are in danger of losing their homes. That is why the Michigan Homeowner Assistance Non-Profit Housing Corporation (MHA), acting through Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) has programs in place to help. Eligible homeowners will be required to sign a five year, forgivable Note and Mortgage before funds are sent to the Servicer.

- ***Unemployment Mortgage Subsidy Program***

This program assists homeowners in retaining ownership of their home by subsidizing their mortgage payments and correcting a mortgage delinquency during their time of unemployment. The homeowner must be able to document receipt of Michigan Unemployment benefits.

The program may provide up to the lesser of \$750 or 50 percent of the existing mortgage payment to be submitted directly to your Servicer for a maximum of 12 months. The homeowner is responsible for the remaining portion of the monthly payment and will have it withdrawn from their deposit account during participation in this program. The homeowner may also be eligible for up to \$3,000 in assistance to correct an existing mortgage delinquency.

- ***Mortgage Loan Rescue Program***

Loan funds up to \$10,000 can be applied toward an eligible homeowner's delinquent mortgage payments, delinquent property taxes and any accrued escrow shortages. These funds can also be used toward second mortgage loan payments with documentation that the first mortgage payment is current. The homeowner must be able to document an involuntary hardship and recovery; recovery is the ability to sustain the mortgage payment going forward.

- ***Principal Curtailment Program***

Provides funds up to \$10,000 to homeowners who need to modify their existing mortgage loan in order to have an affordable, lower monthly mortgage payment. The lender/servicer must agree to provide a matching amount of principal reduction. These funds can also be used toward the principal reduction of a second mortgage loan with documentation that the first mortgage payment is current.

**A Help for Hardest Hit advisor will help determine which program you may be eligible for and work with your Lender to provide assistance; however, Lenders are not required to participate in all three programs.**

