PROGRAM SPONSOR	California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)	
PROGRAM MANAGER	Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA)	
SERVICER	US Bank	
DESCRIPTION	ReCoverCA Homebuyer Assistance (DR-HBA) Program is designed to help low-to-moderate (LMI) households impacted by the 2018 and 2020 wildfires to purchase a home outside of High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones of California.	
PARTICIPATING LENDERS	Lenders interested in participating in this Program must complete a GSFA Lender Profile, execute a GSFA Program Lender Agreement, and be an Approved Correspondent Lender with the Servicer.	
	The DR-HBA Lender Profile and DR-HBA Program Lender Agreement are available for download from the DR-HBA Lender Participation Guide at www.gsfahome.org .	
FIRST MORTGAGE LOAN TYPES AND TERMS	Loan Types: • Freddie Mac HFA Advantage Conventional financing, in accordance with Freddie Mac guidelines and Primary Mortgage Insurer guidelines. Loan Term:	
	30-year fixed term with full amortization.	
	Maximum Loan Amount:	
	Conforming limit of \$806,500.	
	Max LTV/CLTV:	
	• 97%/105%.	
	For FHA, VA, USDA financing options, please see the "DR-HBA_GOVT_Loans_TermSheet" available for download from the DR-HBA Lender Participation Guide at www.gsfahome.org .	
MORTGAGE LOAN INTEREST RATES:	GSFA shall publish the Mortgage Rate on its Reservation Portal at https://nhfresportal.nhfloan.org/login.aspx on behalf of GSFA.	
	The Reservation Portal may be accessed Monday through Friday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM PST/PDT, National Holidays excluded.	
	The published Mortgage Rates are subject to change at any time.	
DOWN PAYMENT AND	DPA is available for Purchase transactions as outlined below:	
CLOSING COST	DPA Amount:	
Assistance (DPA)	The DPA provided by the Program is capped at \$350,000 per household.	
	The DPA Amount is calculated as follows:	
	 The maximum qualifying First Mortgage Loan amount is subtracted from the purchase price or the appraised value of the home, whichever is less. 	
	o Cash required for closing is then added.	
	o The DPA is then reduced by the Duplication of Benefit (DOB), which is the assistance received by the Applicant from other sources for the same purpose.	
	 The DPA will also be reduced by any liquid assets in excess of \$100,000. 	

DOWN PAYMENT AND	DPA Usage:
CLOSING COST ASSISTANCE (DPA)	Down payment.
CONTINUED	Closing Costs (customary/reasonable) and prepaids.
	Homebuyer education counseling fees.
	No cash back allowed.
	DPA Form:
	 The HBA is provided in the form of a deferred Second Mortgage Loan with a zero percent note rate, forgivable after 5-year ownership and occupancy requirement has been met.
	DPA General Terms:
	There must be no cash back to the borrower from the DPA proceeds.
	DPA Second Mortgage Loan Terms:
	5-year Term; forgivable after 5-years owner occupancy.
	 Forgiven on a pro-rata basis of 20% for each 12 months of owner occupancy.
	Note Rate of the Deferred Second Mortgage is 0%, with no monthly payments.
	Forgivable Second Mortgage must be in second lien position.
	 Subordination allowed if completing a rate and term refinance through the Master Servicer. No other subordination allowed.
	Lender must conform to federal RESPA and Truth-in-lending laws in disclosing the terms of the Second Mortgage.
OTHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS	US Bank prior approval required. Subject to Agency and investor requirements, program may be combined with other down payment sources, including Mortgage Credit Certificates. In all cases, the most conservative guidelines for each program will apply. Third Liens not allowed.
DPA DOCUMENTATION	The DPA Funding Commitment Notice, Second Mortgage Loan documents and DR-HBA Program documents will be provided on the Reservation Portal at https://nhfresportal.nhfloan.org/login.aspx on behalf of GSFA and Servicer.
	DPA Second Mortgage Loan Documents (Required):
	Promissory Note
	○ Deed of Trust
	o Funding Commitment Notice
	o Partial Exemption Disclosure
	 2nd CD/LE if applicable (when origination fee on second mortgage is 1%).
	 GSFA must serve as the Lender and beneficiary for the Second Note and Security Instrument.
	Lender is responsible for recording the Second Mortgage Loan Security Instrument.

DPA DOCUMENTATION	DR-HBA Program Documents (Required):	
CONTINUED	DR-HBA001 – Checklist – Lender Pre-Screen	
	DR-HBA002 – Application and Affidavit	
	DR-HBA003 – Addendum to Loan Application	
	DR-HBA004 – Checklist – Initial Compliance	
	DR-HBA005 – Tax Return Affidavit (if needed)	
	DR-HBA006 – Certification of No Income (if needed)	
	DR-HBA007 – Environmental Review	
	DR-HBA008 – Data Sharing Agreement	
	DR-HBA009 – Recapture Notice	
	DR-HBA010 – Assignment Agreement	
	DR-HBA011 – Checklist – Underwriting Compliance	
	DR-HBA012 – Checklist – Final Compliance	
	DR-HBA013 – Annual Compliance Monitoring Notice	
	DR-HBA014 – Checklist – Post Funding	
	DR-HBA015 – Lender's Closing Certificate	
	DR-HBA016 – Borrower's Closing Affidavit	
Borrower	Income Limits:	
ELIGIBILITY	Household Income Limit of 80% Area Median Income (AMI) and below, based on household size.	
	Income Limit based on County of Subject Property being purchased.	
	Link to HUD's Income Limit Lookup Tool located at: https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html	
	Applicant Eligibility	
	 Applicant whose primary residence (renter or homeowner) at the time of the qualifying disasters in 2018 and 2020 was located in high or very high fire severity zones based on CalFire's <u>Fire Hazard Severity Zone Viewer (arcgis.com)</u>: 	
	2018 Qualifying Disaster Areas:	
	 Butte, Lake, Los Angeles and Shasta Counties. 	
	2020 Qualifying Disaster Areas:	
	 Butte, Fresno, Los Angeles, Napa, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, and Sonoma Counties. 	
	No first-time homebuyer requirement.	
	Non-occupant co-signors and non-occupant co-borrowers are not allowed.	
	Applicant cannot own any real estate property at the time of application to closing.	
	Property Eligibility:	
	 Purchase contract cannot be executed prior to issuance of Pre-Qualification letter by GSFA. 	

HBA funds cannot be used to pay for purchase contract extensions.

Tenant-occupied properties must be vacant on the date of purchase contract.

BORROWER ELIGIBILITY CONTINUED

- Eligible properties must be located outside of High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.
 - Verification that a property is not located in a local, state or federal High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, is available through CalFire's <u>Fire Hazard Severity</u> <u>Zone Viewer (arcgis.com)</u>.
 - Homeowner policy for insurance coverage must be from traditional insurance providers and cannot be from California Fair Plan neither as a carrier or as a companion policy.
- Property purchased must be an owner-occupied primary residence.
- Eligible property types include:
 - Single family homes (1-unit).
 - ADU acceptable
 - Agency approved condominiums, townhomes, and planned unit developments (PUDs).
 - Manufactured housing per Loan Agency guidelines (maximum 95% LTV/TLTV ratios).
- Number of bedrooms allowed is dependent on the household size. The Program will
 follow the federal standard of 1.5 persons per bedroom for the minimum bedrooms
 allowed, along with the following occupancy standards which sets the maximum
 bedrooms allowed:

Number of	Minimum Number of	Maximum Number of
Persons	Bedrooms	Bedrooms
1	1	2
2	2	3
3	2	3
4	3	4
5	4	5

Minimum Credit Score:

- 640.
- Each borrower must have a minimum of one credit score.

Debt-to-Income (DTI):

- Lenders must qualify the applicant with the maximum First Mortgage Loan that the borrower can afford with a Debt-to-Income (DTI) ratio of not below 42%.
- Maximum Back-End DTI with AUS approval: 45%
- For manually underwritten loans, please follow the GSE and insurer guidelines.

Homebuyer Education:

- At least one borrower will be required to complete the approved 8-hour online homeownership counseling class that will include intake, preparing a client budget, and conducting a financial and affordability analysis provided through eHome America.
 - o gsfa.ehomeamerica.org

Underwriting	Freddie Mac "HFA Advantage" available through LPA "Accept" finding.
	For more information, please visit Freddie Mac's HFA Advantage website: http://www.freddiemac.com/singlefamily/hfa.html .
	Follow Freddie Mac and Servicer guidelines for manual underwriting.
RESERVATIONS	Lender shall register Qualifying Mortgage Loans ("QML") using the Reservation Portal at https://nhfresportal.nhfloan.org/login.aspx .
	 The Reservation Portal may be accessed Monday through Friday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM PST/PDT, National Holidays excluded.
	 In order to access the Reservation Portal, user shall obtain a "User ID" from the Lender's "Password Management Contact".
	Reservations:
	 The Reservation Portal will identify whether a loan registration initially qualifies as a QML based on Income and Credit Score Limits provided by the Lender.
	 Lender reserves DPA at the time of First Mortgage Loan registration via the Reservation Portal.
	 Upon completion of the reservation, the Reservation Portal will provide Lender with an electronic "Reservation Confirmation" and "DPA Funding Commitment Notice".
	 The Reservation Confirmation is valid for 60 days. Both the First Mortgage Loan and the DPA Second Mortgage Loan (if applicable) must be purchased by Servicer <u>prior</u> to expiration.
	The Reservation will automatically be cancelled upon expiration unless the lender requests an extension.
	 The Reservation Confirmation and DPA Funding Commitment Notice must be submitted with the Mortgage Loan File to Servicer for purchase.
	Modifications to a reservation will require approval from the Program Manager.
	 Lender may cancel the reservation via the Reservation Portal, which will provide electronic confirmation of cancellation to Lenders. A cancellation fee of \$400 will apply to each cancelled reservation.
	 If a Lender cancels a reservation, lenders may re-register, only after 30 calendar days from cancellation date, via the Reservation Portal.
	Extensions:
	 For loans not yet delivered to the Master Servicer, an extension to a reservation will require approval from the Program Manager.
	 For loans delivered to the Master Servicer, an expired loan will be extended automatically to allow for review and purchase, until the maximum extensions have been reached.
	 Two extensions are available for (15) days each. Extension fee(s) will be netted at loan purchase by the Master Servicer. The cost of an extension is 0.25% of the total First Loan amount.

FEES AND POINTS	Participating Lender should refer to Servicer Website for guidelines here.	
	Fees and Points Lender may charge to Borrower:	
	 Origination Fee: Up to 3% of the total first loan amount or up to 2% of the total first loan amount and up to 1% of the second loan amount. No other fees allowed on the second (recording fees and transfer taxes excepted). 	
	 If origination fee on second is 1%, a separate CD and LE will be required for the second. 	
	Discount Points: 0.00%	
	 This Program does not allow Discount Points to be charged to the Borrower. 	
	 Participating Lender may charge customary and reasonable closing costs and fees with full disclosure in accordance with Freddie Mac and federal, state, and local laws and regulations. 	
	Fees to Servicer from Lender (Servicer nets at purchase):	
	Funding Fee: \$400.	
	Tax Service Fee: \$84.	
	Funds to Lender from Servicer at Loan Purchase:	
	100% of the outstanding principal amount of the First Mortgage Loan.	
	 Servicing Release Premium (based on First Mortgage): 0.50%. 	
LOAN DELIVERY AND PURCHASE	 Lender should refer to Servicer Website US Bank for loan delivery and purchase guidelines. 	
	The GSFA DPA Funding Commitment Notice must be submitted with the mortgage loan file. Servicer shall not purchase a Mortgage Loan without these documents.	