



DISCRETIONARY EXPENSE FUNDING

What is expense eligible?

Council Members can use expense funding to support NYCHA residents in two main ways: providing funding to tenant associations (TA) and providing funding for small projects or equipment that is not capitably eligible.

How can City Council Members support NYCHA tenant associations?

Tenant associations at all NYCHA developments can request discretionary funding from their City Council Member to support Family Days, holiday events, or other community events and the purchase of resident association supplies. NYCHA can help facilitate this process for TAs. Contact: resident.engagement@nycha.nyc.gov or 212-306-8436 for assistance

What if a development has converted to Section 8 through the PACT program?

Tenant associations in NYCHA developments that have converted through PACT to Project-Based Section 8 can continue to receive Council discretionary funding. This funding will continue to go through NYCHA's Resident Services team. NYCHA will facilitate a transfer of funds to the appropriate TA upon written request through the submission of NYCHA's Councilmatic Discretionary Funds Request Form. TAs are not required to be 501(c)(3)s or hold non-profit status.

Councilmatic funds process for tenant associations

TAs should request discretionary funds from their local Council Member. Once funds are awarded to the development, TAs will need to submit the Councilmatic Discretionary Funds Request Form to NYCHA's Resident Services team to receive their funds. TAs may opt to receive their funds via check or Electronic Funds Transfer. To continue to receive funds, TAs must submit receipts to NYCHA for any purchases within the same budget year.

Expense cost estimates

NYCHA will assist Council Members with scope and cost estimates for specific projects or equipment. Many expense projects are related to pest and waste management (as shown below). Contact: intergov@nycha.nyc.gov for assistance.

Typical Expense Projects

EXPENSE ITEMS	RECOMMENDED MINIMUM FUNDING
Refuse Container (2-yard) (Closed pest-resistant container solution)	\$1,600 per two-yard container
Recycling Stations (Containers for recyclable materials)	\$1,985 per station or \$3,970 for a set
Billy Goat Vacuum (Debris and litter vacuum for property maintenance)	\$3,600 per unit
Trash Chute Door (To replace nonoperational doors)	\$1,200 per unit
Pesticides (For pest management at developments)	\$10,000 per product per development
Snap trap (For pest management at developments)	\$1,000 per development
Wire lath (Effective way to keep rats from burrowing in the ground)	\$10,000 per bundle
Compost Power Expansion (Build and run one site)	\$70,000 for one year