



Notice of Contract and Reporting Extensions for PHARE Grantees
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PHFA recognizes the effect the current pandemic is having on every community and neighborhood in Pennsylvania. Many service providers have redirected program/project efforts to combat the spread of the virus while other organizations have had to close doors, thereby delaying construction and housing rehabilitation efforts.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on housing organizations across the Commonwealth, PHFA has developed the following guidance for all current PHARE grantees regarding **reporting requirements** and **contract deadlines**.

Reporting Extension for All PHARE Grantees

The Agency is allowing all grantees with open grant agreements additional time to submit the required semiannual and close-out reports to PHFA. **The next PHARE semiannual report – which were to be due by July 31, 2020 – are now due to the Agency by September 30, 2020.** This applies to grantees which has received awards from Marcellus Shale, Realty Transfer Tax, and/or National Housing Trust Funds.

Contract Extension for PHARE/Realty Transfer Tax Grantees

Organizations awarded PHARE/Realty Transfer Tax (RTT) funds were previously required to complete all grant activities within eighteen (18) months from the execution of the grant agreement, at which time a close-out report was due to be submitted to the Agency.

PHFA is granting an additional 90 day contract extension, allowing organizations a total of twenty one (21) months to expend funds and complete all PHARE/RTT-funded grant activities. Grantees must then submit a final close-out report to PHFA within thirty (30) days of the final expenditure of funds.

All additional PHARE reporting guidelines regarding the submission of these reports still applies. If you have any questions about these changes, please email Clay Lambert at clambert@phfa.org.

At this time, the Agency anticipates that the next round of PHARE awards will be announced after the Board meeting, scheduled for July 9, 2020.

Lastly, the Agency would like to thank you all for the incredible work many you are doing during this crisis to assist Pennsylvanians and each other. We are honored to work with you.