

to ensure the maximum use of any available private financing. To qualify, a sponsor must have been denied a loan by a private lending institution, or else have received a commitment from a private lending institution for less than the amount of funds necessary for the rehabilitation. If a portion of rehabilitation is to be financed by a private lending institution, the Department shall require that the sponsor utilize the maximum amount of private financing which the project can support without impairing the feasibility of the project and, if residential, of providing affordable housing to limited-income tenants.

(8) "Fund" means the special fund established under § 257L[(g)] (H).

(9) "Political subdivision" means any municipal corporation in Maryland subject to the provisions of Article 11E of the Constitution, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and any of the twenty-three counties in Maryland.

(10) "MIGRATORY LABOR CAMP" MEANS 1 OR MORE STRUCTURES, BUILDINGS, TENTS, BARRACKS, TRAILERS, VEHICLES, MOBILE HOMES, CONVERTED BUILDINGS, AND UNCONVENTIONAL ENCLOSURE OF LIVING SPACES, TOGETHER WITH THE LAND APPERTAINING TO IT, ESTABLISHED, OPERATED, OR USED AS LIVING QUARTERS FOR 4 OR MORE MIGRATORY WORKERS ENGAGED IN AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING RELATED FOOD PROCESSING.

(11) "MIGRATORY WORKER" MEANS ANY PERSON FROM WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE STATE WHO MOVES SEASONALLY FROM 1 PLACE TO ANOTHER FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMPLOYMENT, AND WHO IS NOT A YEAR-ROUND EMPLOYEE, AND WHO OCCUPIES LIVING QUARTERS OTHER THAN HIS PERMANENT HOME DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS WORK.

(12) "MIGRATORY HOUSING FACILITIES LOAN" MEANS A LOAN TO A QUALIFIED OWNER OF A MIGRATORY LABOR CAMP MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF MIGRATORY WORKER HOUSING FACILITIES.

(13) "OWNER OF A MIGRATORY LABOR CAMP" MEANS ANY INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR OTHER BUSINESS ENTITY WHICH OWNS A MIGRATORY LABOR CAMP LOCATED IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

(c) The Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program is created. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO MIGRATORY HOUSING FACILITIES LOANS.

(1) The Department shall operate the program, and make rehabilitation loans from the fund under the provisions of this section.