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Estimated Public Housing Capital Fund Cuts in Tennessee Under House GOP Bill

The 2011 funding proposal (H.R. 1) that the House of Representatives passed on February 19 would reduce public housing capital funding by nearly \$1.1 billion, or 43 percent, compared to the 2010 level. This cut would prevent local housing agencies from carrying out needed repairs to public housing developments, such as replacing boilers or fixing roofs. As a result, it would:

- Cause living conditions to deteriorate for over one million vulnerable families that live in public housing;
- Eliminate or prevent creation of jobs in the hard-hit residential construction sector;
- Increase future federal costs by deferring improvements that would reduce energy consumption or avoid more expensive damage down the road (for example, by patching a leaky roof);
- Risk creating blight that would lower property values in surrounding neighborhoods; and
- Permit some developments to deteriorate to the point where they must be demolished, squandering decades of federal and local investment and eliminating badly needed affordable housing.

In Tennessee, 22 percent of households in public housing are elderly and 26 percent are disabled.* The House plan would cut \$29.2 million from housing agencies across Tennessee, as shown below.

Housing Agency	Number of Public Housing Units	Estimated Capital Fund Cut Under H.R. 1
Athens HA	438	\$318,000
Bolivar HA	119	\$75,000
Bristol HA	353	\$201,000
Brownsville	163	\$112,000
Chattanooga HA	2,899	\$2,420,000
Clarksville HA	503	\$402,000
Cleveland HA	432	\$294,000

Housing Agency	Number of Public	Estimated Capital Fund
	Housing Units	Cut Under H.R. 1
Clinton HA	148	\$103,000
Columbia HA	290	\$216,000
Cookeville HA	578	\$424,000
Covington HA	244	\$180,000
Crossville HA	330	\$249,000
Dayton HA	300	\$215,000
Dickson HA	125	\$85,000
Dyersburg HA	498	\$403,000
Elizabethton HA	324	\$231,000
Erin HA	59	\$42,000
Erwin HA	73	\$48,000
Etowah	134	\$87,000
Fayetteville HA	268	\$227,000
Franklin County HA	239	\$193,000
Franklin HA	294	\$239,000
Gallatin HA	427	\$333,000
Gallaway HA	59	\$36,000
Greeneville HA	324	\$236,000
Grundy HA	110	\$80,000
Harriman HA	333	\$237,000
Hartsville HA	33	\$25,000
Hohenwald HA	116	\$78,000
Humboldt HA	240	\$210,000
Huntingdon HA	148	\$101,000
Jackson HA	802	\$662,000
Jefferson City HA	198	\$120,000
Jellico HA	122	\$77,000
Johnson City HA	745	\$543,000
Kingsport HA	517	\$388,000
Knox Co HA	197	\$123,000
Knoxville's Comm Dev Co.	3,803	\$2,664,000
Lafayette HA	102	\$76,000
LaFollette HA	1,119	\$795,000
Lawrenceburg HA	302	\$211,000
Lebanon HA	354	\$264,000
Lenoir City HA	138	\$92,000
Lewisburg HA	216	\$152,000
Lexington HA	119	\$89,000
Livingston HA	65	\$42,000
Loudon HA	121	\$84,000
Manchester HA	70	\$45,000
Martin HA	298	\$209,000
Maryville HA	399	\$259,000
McKenzie HA	147	\$98,000
McMinnville HA	427	\$340,000
Memphis HA	3,343	\$4,641,000
Metro Dev HA	5,380	\$4,631,000
Milan HA	100	\$71,000

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	Housing Units	Cut Under H.R. 1
Millington HA	89	\$67,000
Morristown HA	667	\$511,000
Mt. Pleasant HA	116	\$76,000
Murfreesboro HA	328	\$279,000
Newbern HA	145	\$106,000
Newport HA	400	\$285,000
Oak Ridge	127	\$86,000
Oliver Springs HA	113	\$78,000
Paris HA	191	\$132,000
Parsons-Decaturville HA	74	\$50,000
Portland HA	120	\$81,000
Pulaski	210	\$151,000
Ripley HA	265	\$175,000
Rockwood HA	124	\$84,000
Rogersville HA	204	\$138,000
Savannah HA	62	\$43,000
Sevierville HA	245	\$173,000
Shelby Co	170	\$113,000
Shelbyville HA	411	\$297,000
Smithville HA	182	\$129,000
South Carthage HA	70	\$50,000
South Pittsburg HA	202	\$134,000
Sparta HA	162	\$115,000
Springfield HA	380	\$291,000
Sweetwater HA	157	\$110,000
Trenton HA	207	\$152,000
Tullahoma HA	269	\$171,000
Union City HA	284	\$196,000
Waverly HA	70	\$47,000
Woodbury HA	100	\$72,000

^{*} HUD defines a household as "elderly" if the head or spouse of the head is 62 or older, and as "disabled" if the head or spouse of the head has a disability. The percentage of disabled households shown here includes only non-elderly disabled households.

Note: Estimated cuts are relative to the 2010 funding level, and assume that agencies will be eligible for the same percentage share of capital funds in 2011 as they were in 2010. Unit counts show the total number of public housing units administered by the agency according to the most recent publicly available HUD data. A small portion of the units in these data (likely less than 5 percent nationally) are in the process of being demolished, sold, or otherwise taken out of use as public housing.