

**Co-sponsor Amendment #1263 (Rep. Howard):
Increase MRVP funding to \$270 million in FY2026
to maintain current rental assistance and create
800 new vouchers.**

Amendment Impact

- **Nearly two-thirds of extremely low-income renters are housing insecure** (paying more than half of their income for rent).
- **MRVP is essential to making new housing affordable.**
 - Homes funded through the Affordable Homes Act need MRVP to reach the lowest-income renters.
 - Without rental assistance, even income-restricted homes are out of reach for many extremely low-income households.
- **MRVP helps households build long-term stability.**
 - MRVP helps prevent eviction, supports shelter exits, and opens doors to better schools, jobs, and healthcare.
- **MRVP is more cost-effective than Emergency Shelter.**
 - Shelter provides critical short-term support, but at an average cost of **\$8,622** per household each month. MRVP rental assistance costs **\$1,766** per month - **a monthly difference of \$6,856 per household.**
- **Currently, no new MRVP mobile voucher are being issued due to funding constraints.**
 - MRVP cannot expand to serve new households unless the FY26 budget includes increased support
- **168,000 households are on the MRVP waitlist.**
 - Increasing MRVP funding will move households off the waitlist and into stable homes.

MRVP prevents homelessness and promotes housing stability.

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