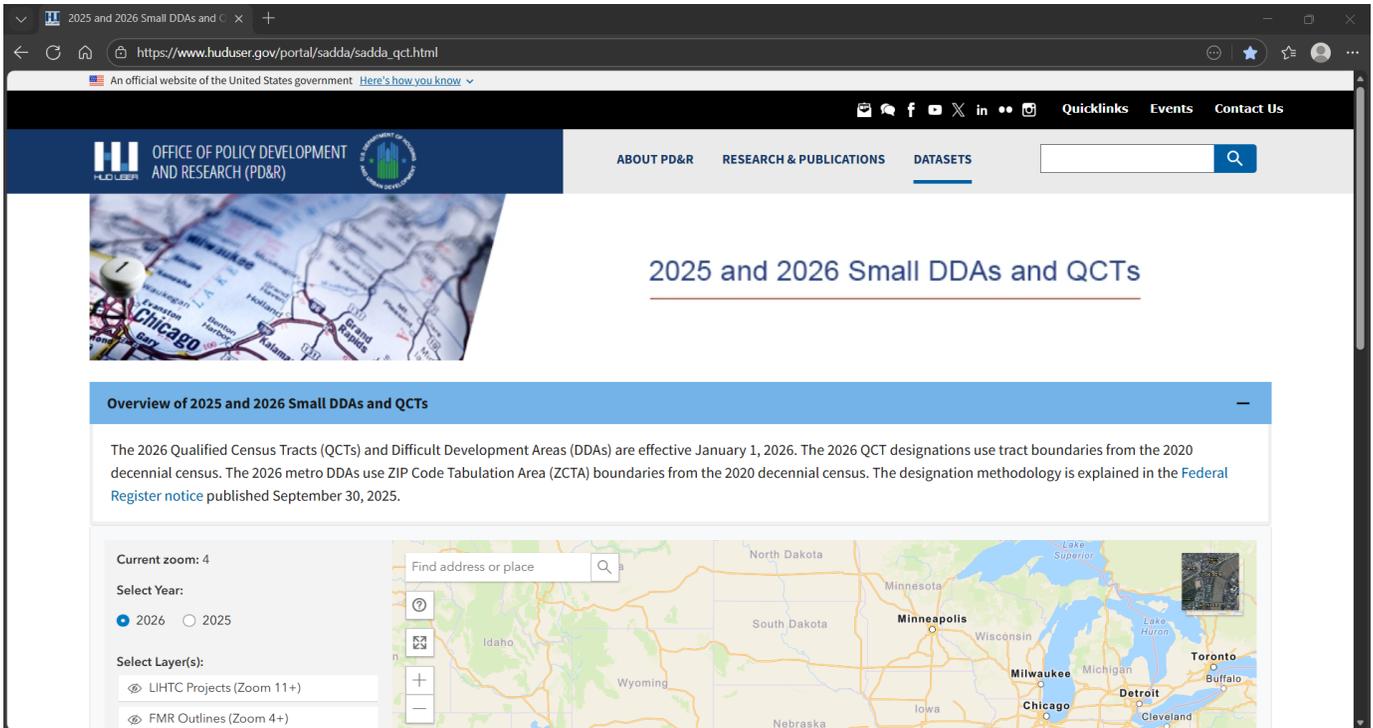


HUD Qualified Census Tract LRAP Categorical Eligibility Verification

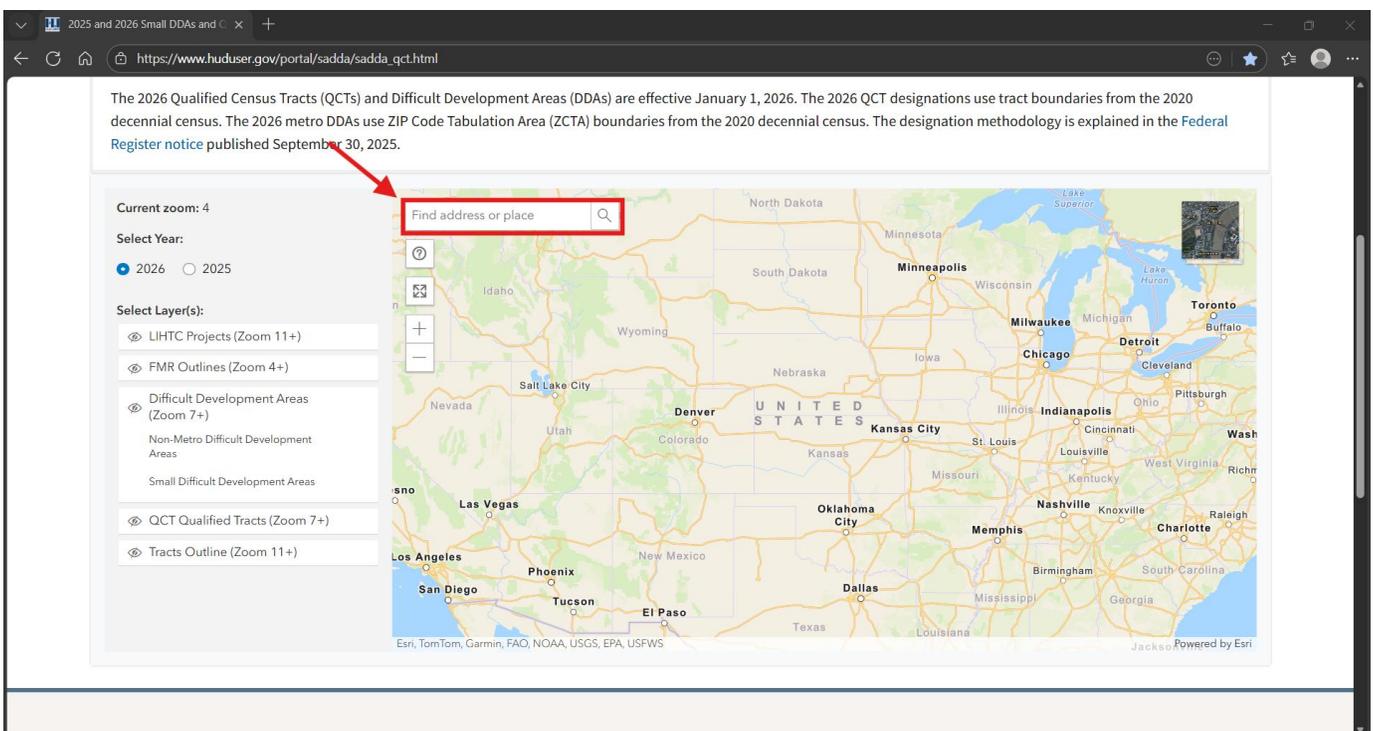
The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) defines a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) as an area where 50% or more of the households have incomes below 60% of the Area Median Gross Income or there is a poverty rate of at least 25%. As of January 27, 2026, applicants for the Lead Remediation and Abatement Program (LRAP) are considered categorically eligible if their property lies within a QCT. This document shows how to qualify a client for LRAP and what is required in the client file if using this eligibility category.

How to Verify HUD QCT Status:

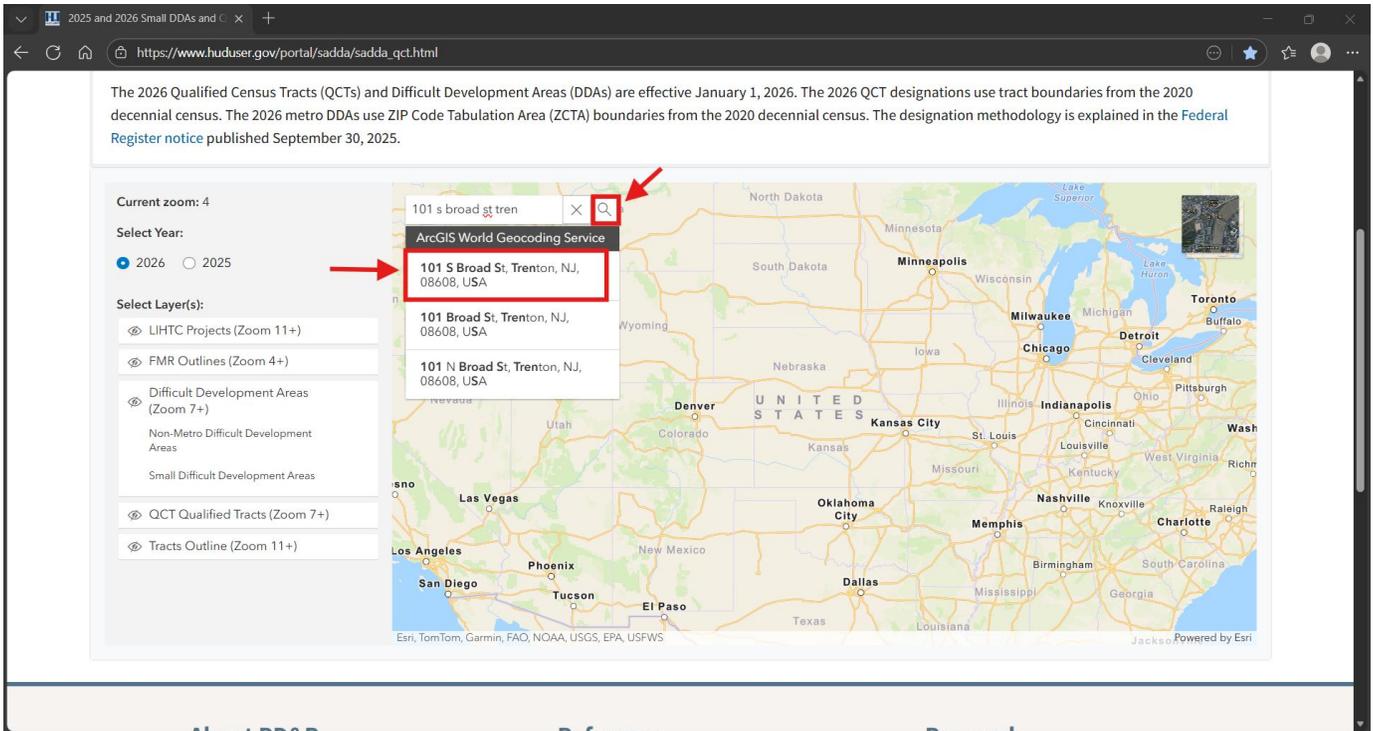
Navigate to the HUD QCT map webpage. Click [here](https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sadda/sadda_qct.html) or copy and paste the URL into your browser:
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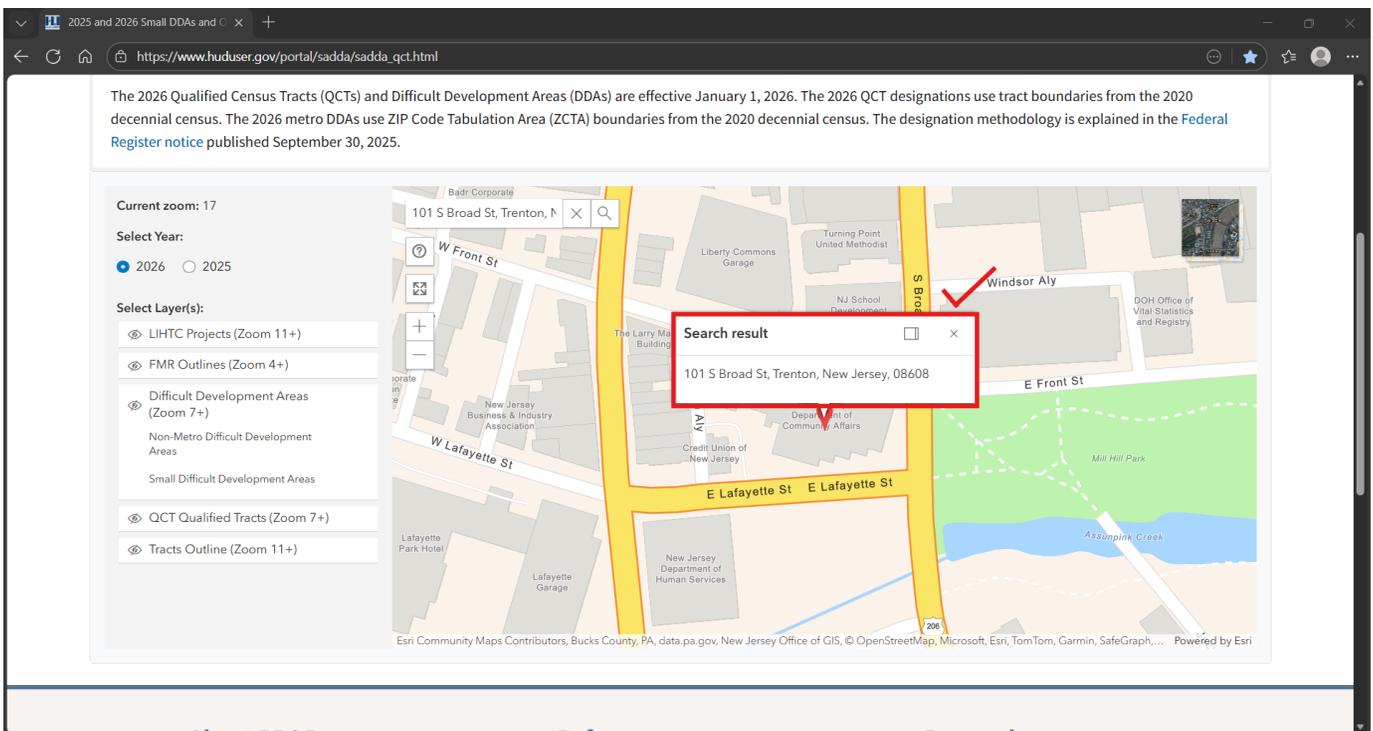
In the "Find address or place" field in the top left corner of the map, enter the address of the property:



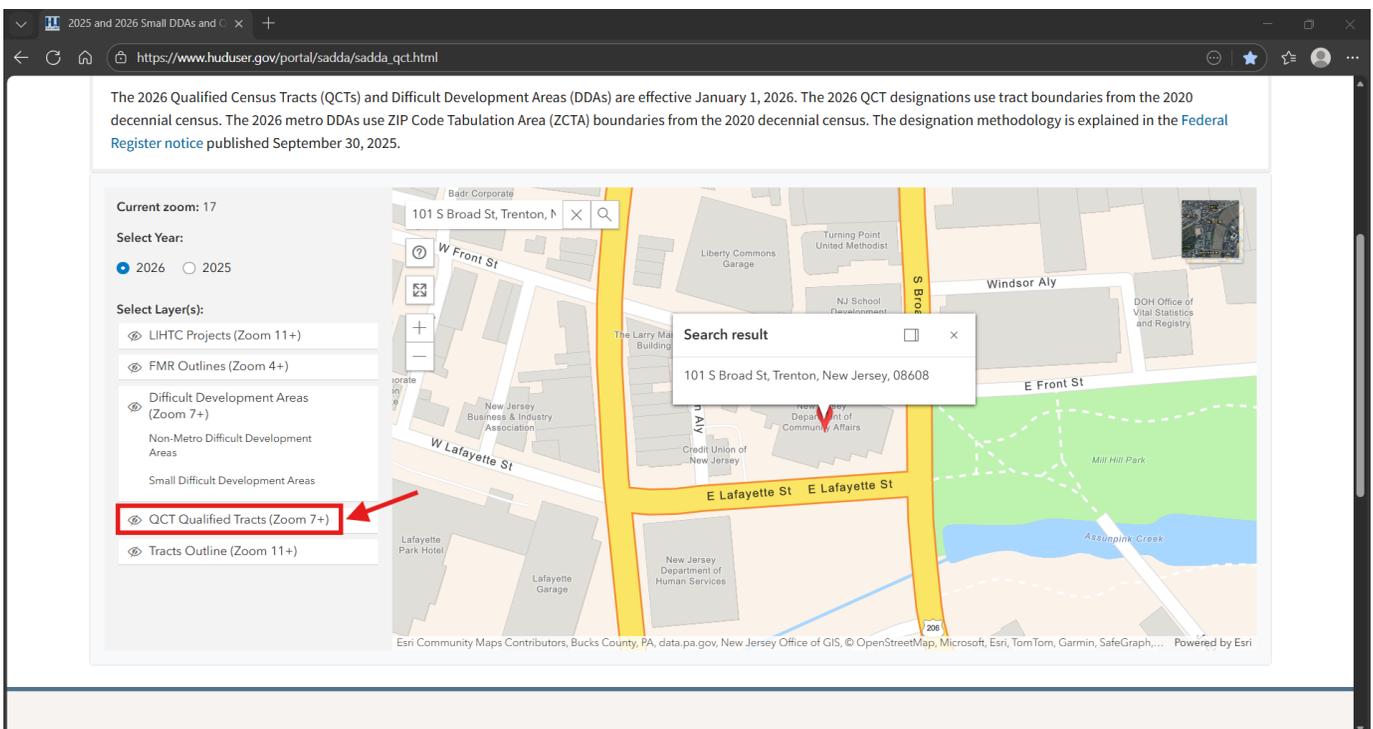
Once you type in the address, click the magnifying glass or select the address from the suggested locations:



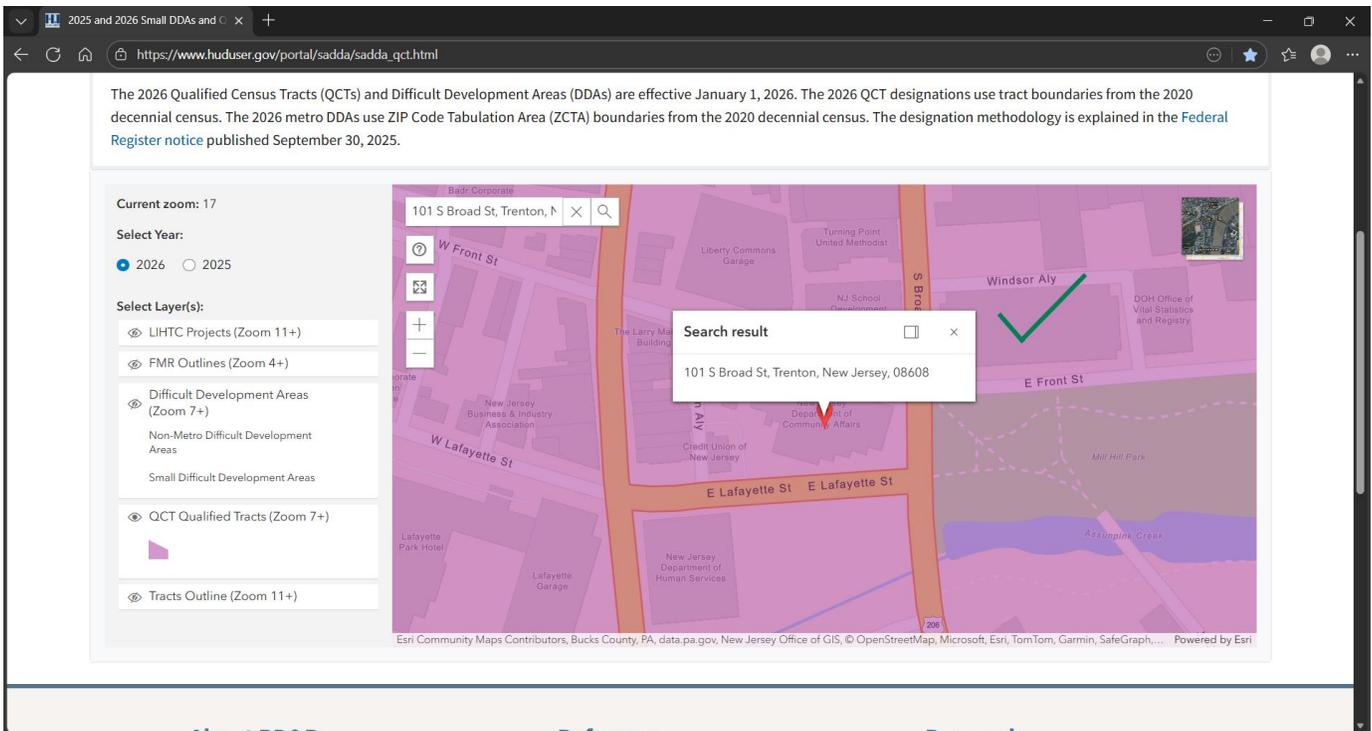
Verify that the search result is for the correct location:



Under the "Select Layer(s)" section on the left side of the page, select "QCT Qualified Tracts":



✓ If the location pin is within an area that is shaded pink, the property lies within a HUD QCT, and the applicant is categorically eligible for LRAP.



You must include a screenshot or pdf of the property's location in a QCT in the client file. You may use a snipping tool, the print screen function on your keyboard and paste the image into applications like MS Word or Paint, or print the webpage and select "Microsoft Print to PDF" as the printer option. Whichever method you choose, you must ensure the document shows:

- the location pin is the client's address
- the QCT layer is visible
- the location pin is in within an area that is shaded pink

✗ If the location pin is **not** within an area that is shaded pink, the property is **not** categorically eligible as a QCT, and the household must be qualified another way. Refer to [Chapter 1](#) of the Lead Program Policies for other methods of verifying client eligibility.

