

Listening Meeting Topics Of Discussion

1. The discussion will focus on the following six topics, for which we have allocated 15 minutes of discussion each:
 - How can the existing process be improved?
 - What documentation do recipients currently use to demonstrate compliance with AFFH requirements and to support their certifications to AFFH?
 - What factors should be included in analyses of impediments to fair housing choice (AI)?
 - How often should the AIs be updated while not creating undue burdens?
 - What are the advantages and disadvantages of creating a regional approach to affirmatively furthering fair housing?, and
 - What can communities and public housing agencies do to reduce housing segregation and increase housing opportunities for protected classes under the federal housing civil rights laws?
2. We recommend that participants focus their comments on one (1) or two (2) of the six (6) topics noted above. We ask that commenter's limit their remarks to two (2) minutes.
3. We ask that participants identify themselves by name and organization when offering a comment. Participants attending the meeting in the Brooke-Mondale Auditorium should use the one of the two microphones available in the room so that the audience viewing by webcast and satellite can hear the comments.
4. HUD moderators will recognize speakers in the Brooke-Mondale Auditorium and on the phone. To provide a comment by phone, call 202-708-0995. We will clear the phone lines at the conclusion of each topic discussion and ask that callers only call to discuss the topic currently under discussion.
5. Commenter's may send comments to the affh@hud.gov e-mailbox before, during, or anytime after the listening session, and those comments will be considered along with those discussed during the meeting. However, we recommend that off-site viewers provide their comments by telephone if they wish for the comment to be shared with all the participants during the listening session.
6. Since the meeting is a listening session, HUD officials will not be responding to questions or offering comment on the suggestions. HUD officials may, however, ask a commenter to clarify a statement, or clarify HUD program-related policies and/or procedures.

Thank you for your cooperation in following these procedures.

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