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ONAP Housing Needs Study and Preparation

The Office of Native American Programs will be conducting a comprehensive study on the extent of housing need in Indian Country. The study will involve a series of outreach meetings in the seven ONAP regions. The meetings will generate discussions between tribes, TDHEs, and other stakeholders. These discussions will center around the actual need for housing, barriers to developing more units, current conditions, success stories, and the impact of housing on the community and the local economy.

At the conclusion of the regional sessions, a national Indian Housing Needs study will be conducted by the HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research. Information on the study will be provided at each of the regional meetings.

The Northern Plains regional meeting will be held December 1-2, 2010, in Westminster, Colorado. Additional information, including agenda, topics of discussion, registration information, and locations will be available in mid-October, 2010.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Fourth Quarter Reporting

Section 1512 of the Recovery Act requires grantees with active grants to report through FederalReporting.gov on the status of their grants each quarter. Fourth quarter reporting for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds will begin on October 1, 2010. You will have until October 13, 2010 to input your fourth quarter data.

ARRA funds recipients must also enter reporting data into the Recovery Act Management and Performance System (RAMPS). Section 1609 of the Recovery Act requires agencies to report on the status of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for all Recovery Act-funded projects and activities. In order to provide this informa-

tion to the Council on Environmental Quality, HUD grantees who complete NEPA reviews according to Part 58 must report NEPA-related data directly into RAMPS. Core activities must also be entered into RAMPS. RAMPS can be accessed at http://portal.hud.gov/app_ramps/

Fourth quarter reporting deadlines for RAMPS are as follows: NEPA updates must be input by October 10, 2010; and Core Activities must be input by October 30, 2010. For additional help with ARRA reporting, please contact your customer service team (listed on page 7).



Featurette: Rosebud Sioux Tribe Housing Plant

In August 2010, HUD's Secretary Shaun Donovan visited the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and



toured a housing plant. At the plant, manufactured homes are being built for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's reservation.

The tribe's Ojinjintka Housing

Development Corporation owns the facility

at which as many as 48 homes are built each year to serve low-income families.

The housing plant is funded in part by grants from the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Housing Improvement Program and HUD's IHBG program. The tribe could also utilize HUD's ICDBG program to fund the project.

The housing plant employs tribal workers and provides them with an average salary of \$17 per hour along with full benefits. Future plans for the housing plant include expanding the workforce and eventually expanding sales outside of the Rosebud Indian Reservation, potentially providing housing for other reservations.

Funding Notices

Below please find a listing of funding available for housing and community development projects which Native American tribes and tribal organizations are eligible to apply:

- HUD's Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG); CFDA number 14.862; closes October 27, 2010
- HUD's Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program; CFDA number 14.905; closes November 4, 2010
- HUD's Lead Technical Studies Program; CFDA number 14.902; closes November 8, 2010
- HUD's Healthy Homes Technical Studies Program; CFDA number 14.906; closes November 8, 2010

- HUD's Healthy Homes Production Program; CFDA number 14.913; closes November 8, 2010
- HUD's Asthma Interventions in Public and Assisted Multifamily Housing; CFDA number 14.914; closes November 16, 2010
- USDA's Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI); CFDA number 10.446; closes December 22, 2010

Additional details for the above funding as well as other funding opportunities and funding applications may be found on grants.gov.

Energy Efficiency and Green Building Tips

Provided below are some ways to make housing units more energy efficient:

- Use ENERGY STAR® appliances and products such as dishwashers, washers and dryers, refrigerators, air conditioners and compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL).
- Plug electronics into power strips. This includes TVs, DVD players, computers, and stereo systems. Turn off the power strip when these items are not in use.
- Lower the thermostat on the hot water heater by a few degrees.
- Cut down on water usage by taking shorter showers, washing only full loads of dishes and clothes, and turn off faucets when not in use.

Below are some green building tips to keep in mind when developing new units or remodeling existing units:

- Add proper insulation in the attic, walls, floors, and basements. Proper insulation will protect housing units from outside hot or cold temperatures, protect against air leaks, and control moisture.
- Install ENERGY STAR® windows. Windows provide day lighting, ventilation, and solar heating. Double-pane windows with high-performance glass can prevent heat loss in the winter and reduce heat gain in the summer.
- Caulk, seal, and weather-strip seams, cracks, and openings to the outside of the housing units. This will ensure minimal air leaks.

Invitation to Visit the NPONAP Office

HUD travel funds do not always allow for NPONAP staff to visit tribes and TDHEs on a frequent basis. So NPONAP encourages its clients to contact their customer service team (listed on page 7) to discuss setting up a time to visit the NPONAP office in Denver, Colorado.

NPONAP staff is available to discuss any matters that the Tribe or TDHE feels would improve their opera-

tions. NPONAP will also provide any training or technical assistance its clients may be interested in.

Please note that if travel funds are available, NPONAP will arrange for on-site visits to the location of the Tribe or TDHE.

Customer Satisfaction

NPONAP values your opinion on the quality of customer service you receive from the NPONAP staff. We are in the process of developing a Customer Satisfaction Survey which we will be posting to the

NPONAP website. <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/codetalk/onap/nponap/>. Please check this website in mid-October so you may provide your feedback.

Featured NPONAP Staff: Newest Staff Members

Heather Shea, Grants Evaluation Specialist

Heather Shea joined the NPONAP Grants Evaluation staff in September 2009. Heather has 25 years experience in the management and development of affordable housing; her housing career began in the United Kingdom where she was born. Prior to joining NPONAP, Heather was managing the Affordable Homeownership Program at the City of Boulder in Colorado. Heather started out as an Engineer after graduating college, but quickly realized housing was her passion.

Katie Starcevich, Administrative Assistant

Katie Starcevich joined the NPONAP staff in October 2009 as the Administrative Assistant. Katie has two years experience in the event and hospitality industry. In addition, she has two years of Human Resources and Executive Office experience as an Administrative Assistant with the Bureau of Land Management. Katie graduated from the Metropolitan State College of Denver in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science.

Luisa Bonilla, Grants Management Specialist

In the summer of 1991, during her undergraduate studies, Luisa Bonilla was selected to work as a Cooperative Student Intern with the Department of Labor (DOL), in Washington, D.C. After completing her bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Maryland, she was hired

by the Office of Job Corps where she worked for four years developing educational curriculums and providing training nationwide to the Job Corps Centers. In 1994, Luisa transferred to the Employment and Training Administration Adult and Youth Programs where she worked on various employment and training programs targeted to disadvantaged adults and youth. She was also promoted to serve as a Federal Project Officer in the National Farmworker Jobs Program managing employment, training and housing grants for Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers across the county. In 2007, Luisa accepted a position with DOL's Office of Federal Compliance Programs where she served as an Equal Opportunity Specialist (Investigator). In December 2009, Luisa joined the NPONAP Grants Management staff.

Kevin Turnau, Grants Evaluation Specialist

In August 2010, Kevin Turnau joined the NPONAP Grants Evaluation staff. Kevin came to HUD with over four years experience at the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Community Capacity Development Office, where he worked as a Grant Program Specialist in the "Weed and Seed" crime prevention initiative. Kevin assisted grantees with the preparation and implementation of their grant programs, provided technical assistance, and ensured compliance with established Governmental policies. In addition, Kevin spent a brief tour of duty at the USDA Forest Service, where he worked as a Grants and Agreements Specialist for the Job Corps initiative. Kevin is a 2003 graduate of Virginia Tech and holds a Bachelors degree in Sociology.

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2010

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October 6—ICDBG NOFA Training via LiveMeeting, Denver, CO

October 7-10—National Indian Education Associations 41st Annual Convention, Town and Country Resort, San Diego, CA

October 8—UNAHA Special Meeting, Crowne Plaza, Billings, MT

October 18-21—AMERIND Member Meeting and Expo, Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, GA

October 26—Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Training, Sky Ute Casino and Resort, Ignacio, CO

October 26-27—Construction Administration Training, The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Catoosa, OK

October 26-27—Tribal Healthy Homes Regional Training, Sky Ute Casino and Resort, Ignacio, CO

NOVEMBER 2010

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November 2-4—Native Learning Center Fall Symposium, Gaylord Palms, Kissimmee, FL

November 14-19—67th Annual Convention of the National Congress of American Indians, Albuquerque, NM

November 30-December 2—Environmental Review Training, The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Catoosa, OK

DECEMBER 2010

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December 1-2—ONAP Housing Needs Assessment Outreach Session, Denver, CO



Get More Information About Events on the Web:
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Chippewa Cree	Deb Richards	Amy Flowers
Crow Creek	Kim Sereff	Bernadette McKale
Eastern Shoshone	Mike Sylvan	Luisa Bonilla
Flandreau	Kevin Turnau	Lori Roget
Fort Belknap	Carol Quinlan	Vic Szymialis
Fort Berthold	Jean Paschke	Vic Szymialis
Fort Peck	Heather Shea	Luisa Bonilla
Goshute	Jean Paschke	Lori Roget
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Northwest Band of Shoshone	Heather Shea	Amy Flowers
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Northern Cheyenne	Jean Paschke	Amy Flowers
Northern Ponca	Kevin Turnau	Jennifer Scott
Oglala Sioux	Deb Richards	Betty Gress
Omaha	Deb Richards	Vic Szymialis
Rosebud	Mike Sylvan	Amy Flowers
Salish-Kootenai	Janice Wagner	Betty Gress
Santee Sioux	Janice Wagner	Lori Roget
Sisseton Wahpeton	Jean Paschke	Lori Roget
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Standing Rock	Kim Sereff	Bernadette McKale
Trenton	Heather Shea	Bernadette McKale
Turtle Mountain	Deb Richards	Jennifer Scott
Utah Paiute	Jean Paschke	Amy Flowers
Ute Indian	Jean Paschke	Jennifer Scott
Ute Mountain Ute	Janice Wagner	Bernadette McKale
Winnebago	Deb Richards	Vic Szymialis
Yankton Sioux	Janice Wagner	Lori Roget

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