Fiscal Year (FY) 2018/2019
Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG)
Competitive Program Training

Rating Factor 2
Need/Extent of the Problem
Rating Factor 2: Need/Extent of the Problem

Up to 20 points
Rating Factor 2: Subfactors

2.1 – Identified Needs and Supporting Data (Up to 8 points)
2.2 – Project Beneficiaries (Up to 3 points)
2.3 – Past Efforts to Address Identified Need (Up to 3 points)
2.4 – Current Funding Assessment (Up to 3 points)
2.5 – Sustainability (Up to 3 points)
Subfactor 2.1: Identified Needs and Supporting Data (Up to 8 points)

2.1.a. – Identified Needs (Up to 5 points)

2.1.b. – Supporting Data (Up to 3 points)
Subfactor 2.1.a.: Identified Needs  (Up to 5 points)

- The applicant must describe in detail the need of the Indian tribe and how the project or activities will help address such need.
- The applicant must limit its description to the factors identified in this NOFA.
- The applicant is not required to address all of the factors, but instead may address one or more of the factors that are relevant to its proposed project or activities.
Subfactor 2.1.a.: Identified Needs (Continued) (Up to 5 points)

- Factors (May address one or more):
  1. American Indian and Alaskan Native (AIAN) households with housing cost burden greater than 50 percent of formula annual income in its formula area (as defined under 24 CFR 1000.32).
  2. AIAN households which are overcrowded or without kitchen or plumbing in its formula area.
  3. Housing Storage in its formula area.
  4. AIAN households with annual income less than or equal to 30 percent of formula median income in its formula area.
  5. AIAN households with annual income between 30 percent and 50 percent of formula median income in its formula area.
  6. AIAN households with annual income between 50 percent and 80 percent of formula median income in its formula area.
  7. Number of AIAN person in its formula area.
Applicant must also describe the proposed project type (e.g. new construction, infrastructure, rehabilitation, other NAHASDA eligible activities, etc.) and how the project addresses the applicant’s identified needs.

Indian tribes that annually receive minimum needs funding must describe how the proposed project or activities will address the needs of low-income households addressed in the certification that they are required to submit pursuant to 24 CFR 1000.328.
Subfactor 2.1.a.: Identified Needs (Continued) (Up to 5 points)

• In summary, to qualify for full points, the applicant must:
  • Submit a detailed description of the need of the Indian tribe and how the project or activities will help address such need.
  • The description of need must be limited to the listed factors.
  • The applicant is not required to address all of the factors - just the ones that will be addressed by the project.

• Indian tribes that annually receive minimum needs funding must describe how the proposed project or activities will address the needs of low-income households addressed in the certification that they are required to submit pursuant to 24 CFR 1000.328.
Subfactor 2.1.b.: Supporting Data (Up to 3 points)

To qualify for full points, the applicant must provide the data that supports the needs identified in Subfactor 2.1.a. Specifically:

- The needs identified in Subfactor 2.1.a. must be supported by final published U.S. Decennial Census data and American Community Survey data used by HUD to calculate the FY 2019 final IHBG formula allocations.
- The needs identified in Subfactor 2.1.a. may be supported by any data included in a successful IHBG Census challenge previously approved by HUD before the date of publication of this NOFA.
- In accordance with 24 CFR 1000.328, tribes that receive minimum needs funding because of insufficient data can receive full points for this subfactor if they certify the presence of any households at or below 80 percent of median income in their formula area.
Subfactor 2.2: Project Beneficiaries (Up to 3 points)

• To qualify for full points, the applicant must:
  • Explain how eligible families will benefit from the proposed projects.
  • Include the number of families that will be assisted with funding under this NOFA and other resources that will be leveraged.
  • Provide supporting documentation that the applicant has identified eligible families, or will do so in the future.
Subfactor 2.3: Past Efforts to Address Identified Need (Up to 3 points)

• If the applicant has pursued this proposed activity in the past, to qualify for full points, the applicant must include:
  • An explanation of the time elapsed since the applicant has actively pursued the project or similar eligible activity;
  • A discussion of barriers; and
  • Strategies for overcoming possible hurdles in the implementation process.

• If the applicant has not pursued the proposed activity in the past, to qualify for full points, the applicant must include:
  • An explanation of the reasons why it is an opportune time to actively pursue the project; and
  • How it will overcome possible barriers
Subfactor 2.4: Current Funding Assessment (Up to 3 points)

• To qualify for full points, applicant must explain in detail why current federal and non-federal funding has been insufficient to implement the proposed project.

• Current funding could include:
  • IHBG funds
  • IHBG investments
  • Program income
  • Other federal and non-federal sources
Subfactor 2.5: Sustainability (Up to 3 points)

• Applicant must describe its plans to operate and maintain the project upon completion.
  • Must include plan for securing future tribal, federal, and any other sources to sustain the project.

• Applicant must explain plans to ensure that housing assisted under this program will remain affordable for the useful life of each property

• Applicant must explain how the project furthers the applicant’s goals for implementing its IHBG program.
Rating Factor 2

Need/Extent of the Problem

14