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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000

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SUBJECT: Indian Community Development Block Grant American Rescue Plan (ICDBG-ARP) Implementation Notice Published and Training Scheduled

Dear Tribal Leader:

On March 11, 2021, the President signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Public Law 117-2), which provided additional funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. ARP included \$280,000,000 for the ICDBG-ARP program.

I am pleased to announce that HUD has published the ICDBG-ARP Implementation Notice, [PIH Notice 2021-22](#), which provides instructions on how to apply for ICDBG-ARP funding. This Notice was developed after conducting Tribal consultation and carefully reviewing over 100 comments from Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities around the country. Thank you for your feedback and support in helping to inform this process.

The program requirements for ICDBG-ARP are substantially similar to those of the [ICDBG-CARES](#) program; however, the application process for ICDBG-ARP is different. If you would like a refresher on ICDBG-CARES requirements, you can find the training slides and materials posted [here](#). With respect to the application process for ICDBG-ARP, applications will be reviewed and awarded in three separate phases.

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) will host training sessions to review the ICDBG-ARP Implementation Notice and the application process, as well as program requirements, applicable waivers, and the required application documents.

- **Phase One:** Applicants that previously submitted ICDBG-CARES applications that met all of the program requirements but were not funded due to limited appropriations will be considered as Phase One applicants under the [Phase One Priority List](#).
 - ONAP Area Offices will begin to contact Phase One applicants on August 4, 2021 to notify applicants of their priority status to apply for ICDBG-ARP funding and of the regional training scheduled for Phase One applicants.
 - Additional information on regional trainings will be sent in an *ICDBG-ARP Phase One Notification and Instructions Letter* from the ONAP Area Offices.
- **Phase Two:** All applicants not on the Phase One Priority List may apply for funding in Phase Two and will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis. HUD will prioritize applicants that did not previously receive an ICDBG-CARES grant.
 - Phase Two Application Period starts September 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. EDT.

- National Phase Two ICDBG-ARP Implementation Training will be held on **August 18, 2021 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. EDT.**

Step 1: Dial into the training session (you may join it 10 minutes prior).

Dial-in Number: 888-251-2949

Access Code: 2004355#

Step 2: Join the training session on your computer.

Entry Link: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/840126>

If funding remains after Phase Two, HUD will consider any applications received after the Phase Two applications deadline in Phase Three. HUD's goal is to allocate ICDBG-ARP funding as quickly as possible to help protect the health and safety of your communities and families.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration in serving Indian Country.

Sincerely,



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