



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

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

November 6, 2024

SUBJECT: Deadline for Submitting Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Interim Funding Requests in the Grants Evaluation and Management System (GEMS)

Dear Tribal Leader:

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) is accepting IHBG Formula Interim Funding Requests via GEMS until **November 19th, 2024**. This deadline provides time to process awards prior to the December 24, 2024, expiration of the Continuing Resolution (CR) under which all Federal agencies are currently operating. After November 19th, any interim funding requests submitted may not be processed before the expiration of the CR.

Interim Funding may only be granted if your FY 2025 Indian Housing Plan has been found in compliance and approved, and if you have a low balance in LOCCS. For more information, refer [to PIH Notice 2021-28](#): Providing Interim Funding to Recipients of Indian Housing Block Grants.

IHBG Interim Funding Requests should be submitted in GEMS. Refer to the [GEMS Grantee Guide](#) for specific instructions on completing and submitting the request. This guide and other GEMS resources can be found at the [GEMS webpage](#) on ONAP's [CodeTalk](#) site. If you need assistance with logging into GEMS or completing the Interim Funding Request in GEMS, contact your Grants Management Specialist.

To ensure your interim funding request is processed before the CR expires, please submit your interim funding request by November 19, 2024. Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration in serving Indian Country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erna F. Reeves".

Erna F. Reeves
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