

October 14, 2022

## **SUBJECT: Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program – Extension of the Application Deadline for the Notice of Funding Opportunity**

Dear Tribal Leader:

On September 30, 2022, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published a Technical Correction to the <u>FY 2022 Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> (<u>NOFO</u>) for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Competitive Grant Program. As a result, applicants now have until 11:59:59 EDT on January 24, 2023, to submit applications via <u>grants.gov</u>.

HUD recognizes that Indian tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) may also be applying for the Indian Community Development Block Grant NOFO and non-HUD funding opportunities. We want to honor the feedback of tribal stakeholders to extend the application deadline to accommodate efforts in applying for those opportunities. Therefore, HUD has extended the application deadline date for the IHBG Competitive Grant NOFO from November 17, 2022, to January 24, 2023, to allow applicants additional time to develop and submit applications.

Under the IHBG Competitive Grant NOFO, approximately \$129 million is available to eligible Indian tribes and TDHEs to carry out affordable housing activities for the benefit of low-income Native American families. In accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, HUD will prioritize grant applications that will spur housing construction and rehabilitation. Please also note that HUD has increased the grant ceiling to \$7.5 million.

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) will host a two-day training webinar to review the NOFO and application process, as well as address your questions.

## Webinar Log-in details:

## Day 1 – IHBG Competitive NOFO Applicant Training

The webinar will begin at 1:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. EDT on **November 8, 2022.** You may join the webinar 10 minutes prior – view in your time zone.

**To join the webinar, click** <u>https://ems8.intellor.com/login/845479</u>. Follow the prompts to connect to the event by computer or telephone. **Event ID:** 845479 *You may choose an integrated computer or phone audio option once connected to the webinar.* 

## Day 2 – IHBG Competitive NOFO Applicant Training

The webinar will begin at 1:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. EDT on **November 9, 2022**. You may join the webinar 10 minutes prior – view in your time zone.

**To join the webinar, click** <u>https://ems8.intellor.com/login/845480</u>. Follow the prompts to connect to the event by computer or telephone. **Event ID:** 845480 *You may choose an integrated computer or phone audio option once connected to the webinar.* 

ONAP will post all program updates and NOFO training materials (e.g., webinar details, webinar recordings, PowerPoint presentations, and Frequently Asked Questions) on <u>Codetalk</u>. Please check Codetalk for additional updates.

I strongly encourage you to apply for a IHBG Competitive Grant for your community. If you have any questions about the NOFO, please contact <u>IHBGCompetitiveProgram@hud.gov</u> or your ONAP Area Office.

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

Sincerely,

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