June 22, 2023

SUBJECT: Tribal Consultation for CDBG-PRICE Initiative

Dear Tribal Leader:

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328) created the CDBG-PRICE Initiative. This is a new grant competition which provides funds for the preservation and revitalization of manufactured housing and eligible manufactured housing communities (including pre-1976 mobile homes). Under this Initiative, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be making $225 million available through competitive grants. HUD is currently developing a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the competition. Under this competition, States, Local governments, and Indian Tribes (as defined in NAHASDA), as well as non-profit entities, cooperatives, and Community Development Finance Institutions, are eligible to apply for funds. This Initiative will be subject to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. Eligible activities include:

- Infrastructure;
- Planning;
- Resident and community services (including relocation assistance and eviction prevention);
- Resiliency activities; and
- Providing other assistance to residents or owners of manufactured homes, which may include providing assistance for manufactured housing land and site acquisition.

The appropriation act also allows HUD to set-aside funding to ensure Indian Tribes are awarded funds under this new Initiative.

Consistent with HUD’s Tribal Consultation Policy, HUD is seeking Tribal feedback prior to issuing the NOFO. Specifically, HUD is seeking Tribal feedback on the following questions:

- Please describe whether your community has manufactured housing that needs preservation or revitalization?
- How much should the Tribal set-aside be (given the needs of your community)?
- Congress provided HUD with the authority to set waivers or alternate requirements under the Initiative. Are there any specific waivers or alternate requirements that HUD should consider for Tribes, such as allowing eligible activities not currently authorized under the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program?
- Grantees under this Initiative are required to report. How often should Tribes be required to report? HUD is considering requiring Tribes to report on an annual basis.

• What format should be used for reporting? HUD is considering allowing Tribes to report in a narrative form, similar to the Annual Status and Evaluation Report (ASER) used for the ICDBG program, or to input narrative and draw funds using the Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting (DRGR) system.

• Is there any other feedback that you would like to provide to ensure that this Initiative is successful in Tribal communities?

Within 30 days, please send any feedback to HUD at consultation@hud.gov.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration in the effective delivery of HUD’s programs in Indian Country.

Sincerely,

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