



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

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

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Dear Tribal Leader:

I am writing to provide important information on your Tribe's Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula allocation. HUD provides this information annually to Indian tribes and their tribally designated housing entities (TDHE). Enclosed you will find the following:

- FY 2019 IHBG Allocation and Formula Data Sheets.
- FY 2019 IHBG Correction/Challenge Log: May 10, 2018, to March 21, 2019.

The total IHBG appropriation for FY 2019 is \$655,000,000 pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (Public Law 116-6, signed February 15, 2019). Of the total,

- \$7,000,000 is designated to support the inspections, contract expertise, training and technical assistance by HUD or its designee; and
- \$2,000,000 is designated for the Title VI program.

The FY 2019 allocations are based on an appropriation of \$646,000,000 to be distributed through the IHBG formula plus \$7,866,194, the total amount of carry-over funds, plus \$1,203,502, the net amount of repayments collected in FY 2019 after allocation adjustments.

The **IHBG Allocation and Formula Data sheets** contain your Tribe's FY 2019 final formula allocation and the data used in its calculation. Also, included on these sheets are repayments and allocation adjustments that are collected or paid in the current FY for over-funding or under-funding in prior FYs.

Please note that if your Tribe has entered into one or more repayment agreements with HUD, your total repayment amount will be shown on your Tribe's FY 2019 IHBG Allocation and Formula Data form and will be automatically deducted from your Tribe's allocation. It is not necessary to manually deduct this amount from the published allocations. If your Tribe has agreed to a lump-sum repayment using previous year allocations or other funds, the amount will not appear on your Tribe's FY 2019 IHBG Allocation and Formula Data form.

The Need component of the formula was calculated using single-race and multi-race Census data. The amount of each Indian tribe's allocation was the greater of the two pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019. The Needs section of your Tribe's IHBG Allocation and Formula Data sheet indicates which data was used to determine your Tribe's FY 2019 IHBG allocation.

Data on the enclosed IHBG Allocation and Formula Data sheets should reflect Census challenges submitted to HUD before March 30, 2018, and other data corrections submitted to HUD before August 1, 2018. If your Tribe/TDHE submitted any corrections or challenges meeting these deadlines, you should have received a written response from HUD informing you of HUD's decision. Please review HUD's response along with the enclosed data to ensure that changes are incorporated.

These allocations incorporate a minimum needs funding for tribes that have previously participated in the IHBG program. In accordance with 24 CFR 1000.328, tribes receiving less than \$200,000 under the Formula Current Assisted Stock component of the formula and who demonstrate the presence of any households at or below 80 percent of median income are eligible to receive the minimum allocation in any FY under the IHBG Needs component. The minimum funding will equal 0.007826 percent of the available appropriations for that FY after set asides. In the FY 2019 final allocation, this amount is \$50,556.

In addition, §1000.329 establishes a minimum allocation. In accordance with the minimum allocation provision, HUD will hold the lesser amount of \$3 million or available carry-over funds for additional allocations to tribes with grant allocations of less than 0.011547 percent of that year's appropriations. For purposes of this section, carry-over funds means grant funds voluntarily returned to the formula or not accepted by tribes in a FY. In FY 2019, \$3 million in eligible carry-over is available and, a minimum allocation of \$74,594 is reflected in the allocation.

Section 1000.342 adds a new Undisbursed Funds Factor (UDFF) in the formula. The UDFF provides allocation formula calculations specific to tribes with an initial allocation of \$5 million or more, and with undisbursed IHBG funds in the Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS) on October 1 in an amount greater than the sum of the prior 3 years' initial allocation calculations. On October 1, 2018, there were no tribes that exceeded the LOCCS limitation. Therefore, no adjustments were made pursuant to this section.

A listing of all correction and challenge requests processed between May 10, 2018, to March 21, 2019, can be found on the enclosed **FY 2019 Correction/Challenge Log**. A log of actions taken between April 12, 2018, and May 9, 2018, was mailed along with your Tribe's FY 2019 Formula Response Form in June 2018.

HUD's Office of Native American Programs looks forward to continuing its work with tribes/TDHEs on this important program in FY 2019. Should you have additional comments, please contact the IHBG Formula Customer Service Center at:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Heidi J. Frechette". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Heidi J. Frechette
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Native American Programs

Enclosures