

# EASTERN WOODLANDS OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



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**HUD's Office of Native American Programs** (ONAP) administers housing and community development programs that benefit American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal governments, Tribal members, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Native Hawaiians, and other Native American organizations. For more information about ONAP funding and programs, visit the [CodeTalk website](#).

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The **Eastern Woodlands Office** (EWONAP) serves 66 Tribes within 16 states and 6 HUD regions. EWONAP administers over \$90 million in IHBG funds, over \$60 million in Section 184 Native American Home Mortgages, and approximately \$5 million in ICDBG funds in its region annually.

Eastern Woodlands Region



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### GREETINGS FROM GUEST SPEAKER

Greetings!



Now that a budget has passed Congress and the money has been allocated in LOCCS, ONAP is in the process of sending out Grant Agreements for all of our grantees in the Eastern Woodland ONAP Region. When you get your Grant Agreement, read it over carefully before signing to make sure that the numbers are right and that you are in agreement with the amount. Next, sign it and return a signed copy to your Grants Management Specialist so that they can spread the money in LOCCS to each activity as indicated in the Indian Housing Plan [IHP]. Then make sure to both do your environmen-

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## GREETINGS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR (CONTINUED)

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tal review and make sure you keep a copy on record for the next time you are monitored by our ONAP Grants Evaluation staff. As you all know, environmental review must be documented and on file or you may be asked to repay any grant money spent without and environmental review is on file.

The ONAP office has been very busy reviewing Annual Performance Reports [APRs] and ASERS (for those with ICDBG approved projects). It is a tedious and time-consuming job, which may require multiple inputs from the Grantee. Our staff reviews both the numbers and accomplishments and will ask questions if you fail to report why you were unable to fulfill your goals as listed in the IHP. Programs that don't achieve their goals and simply accumulate grant money in LOCCS are not achieving the purpose of NAHASDA, which is to provide safe, decent, sanitary and affordable housing for their members. Don't be afraid of complaints as they point out where you may need to improve even if it is improving the perception of how you operate and is resolved in your favor.

Our office receives complaints from time to time regarding various grantees, which may or may not have merit. Generally, that is not for us to determine, but for the Tribe/TDHE to live up to the regulations and their own policies. Recently, this office fielded a call about how they should treat a former employee. This is not an area mentioned in NAHASDA except for anti-discrimination requirements. Such complaints are almost always up to the Tribe/TDHE to resolve pursuant to their own policies and that of the state they reside. Complaints about whether a contractor paid his workers a proper wage is referred to the local HUD Labor office to investigate and resolve. ONAP may give you referrals but is not responsible for resolving Labor law violations of the Davis Bacon Act. Since the Eastern Woodlands ONAP office covers no less than five HUD regions, where you go will depend on which HUD region your Tribe/TDHE is located in. For the 30+ grantees in the upper Midwest, it will be the HUD Region V Labor Office in Chicago. For New England grantees it would be the New York HUD Office; for Virginia, it would be in the Philadelphia Office; for North and South Carolina, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi, it would be in the Atlanta Office and for Iowa it would be in Kansas City, Missouri.

As you will see in other parts of the Bulletin, EWONAP is welcoming new staff with the addition of Ebony Madyun, as Grants Evaluation Director and Sara Stapleton as a Grants Evaluation Specialist. It appears EWONAP might actually rise above our average of 15 staff members, which should improve our service to our grantees. We are looking forward to a productive new year.

Please forward any topics you might want the Bulletin to address in future issues to:

[Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov](mailto:Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov).

Kind Regards,

[Mark Butterfield](#), Administrator

Eastern Woodlands Office of Native American Programs

## EWONAP REGIONAL NEWS



### **EWONAP Welcomes New Grants Evaluation Director**

Ebony Madyun has joined the Eastern Woodlands Office of Native American Programs (EWONAP) after almost eight years with HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) in various positions. Most recently, she oversaw thirty-three formula grantees and approximately ninety competitive grant recipients and projects as a Program Manager. In that role, she supported onsite monitoring and technical assistance delivery for CPD programs, including community development, affordable housing, and homelessness programs. She also served as a Supervisory CPD Specialist for the Office of Block Grant Assistance at HUD Headquarters (HQ) where she worked with the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) and Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG).

Previously, Ebony worked with communities recovering from disasters as a member of the Disaster Recovery and Special Issues Division, in HUD Headquarters. She started her career with HUD in the Indianapolis Field Office working with the NSP program during the foreclosure crisis. Ebony has also worked with local government and nonprofit organizations on affordable housing and community development.

She is excited to join EWONAP in support of housing and community development programs that benefit Native American communities. As a part of her return to the Midwest, Ebony looks forward to enjoying Chicago's four distinct seasons (especially fall). When she is not at work, she enjoys traveling, hiking, spending time with family, and spicy food of all kinds.

### **EWONAP TO HOST NAHASDA ESSENTIAL TRAINING, MARCH 3-5, 2020**

Housing Admissions and Occupancy responsibilities are at the heart of the rental housing program. Often occupancy specialists are the face of housing to many residents. Participants can expect to gain an understanding how Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) policies and program requirements impact the Admissions and Occupancy (A&O) process. Board and management can learn more about developing and applying tribal policies and procedures that are clear, support staff, and promote equitable and compliant programs. Register at <http://newregistration.firstpic.org/>

### **SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS!**

Please send your accomplishments, press releases, events, news, and project photos to our Administrator Advisor, Kimberly McMorris at: [Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov](mailto:Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov)

*Help us illustrate the value of NAHASDA and the need for it in Indian Country, and how your great work is making a difference!*

## INDIAN COUNTRY NEWS

### HUD'S OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS CRIME PREVENTION SUMMIT

Assistant Secretary Hunter Kurtz along with senior leadership from the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) hosted the Crime Prevention Summit in Denver, Colorado. The summit offered a forum for tribal leaders and federal agencies to discuss substance abuse and violence impacting their communities. Over 200 people attended, including representatives from 83 different Tribes and TDHEs. Tribal leaders and PIH staff presented best practices, funding sources, policies, and other strategies to ensure residents are living in safe communities.

### TRAINING OPPORTUNITY- [TRIBAL HOUSING EXCELLENCE DEVELOPMENT ESSENTIALS](#)

This Development Essentials course will provide participants with the essentials of the housing development process. In an interactive classroom setting, participants will learn:

- The various partners involved in the development process.
- How to determine the financial feasibility of a project.
- The considerations in housing project underwriting.
- The beneficial impact of leveraging IHBG with a range of available resources from Title VI to Low Income Housing Tax Credits.
- How to apply these development principles to a case study, and their own housing projects.

THE Development Essentials course is for Tribes and Native communities that are NAHASDA recipients. To encourage attendance by multiple key stakeholders, scholarships are only available for organizations that send more than one person from a Native community or Tribe. These additional stakeholders may be housing staff, housing board members, tribal council members, planning staff or Native CDFI's. In addition, a limited number of seats are open to nonprofit housing developers currently working in or looking to expand their work on Native lands. Participants will come away with concepts and strategies they can put to practical use in their communities. The wait list analysis tool will allow them to generate data from their own wait lists, make the case for particular paths to action and will support their efforts to raise outside funds for housing programs and development. **Date:** March 17-19, 2020, **Location:** Aurora, Colorado, **Register** [HERE](#)

### DEAR TRIBAL LEADER LETTER- [TWO-YEAR NOTICES OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR ONAP COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS](#)

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) recently revised the way in which it awards competitive grant funding. In previous years, ONAP awarded appropriated grant funds using a one-year Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). However, when ONAP competed grant funding appropriated for the recent Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Competitive program, it awarded funding appropriated for both FY 2018 and FY 2019 under a single [two-year NOFA](#). Similarly, HUD recently posted a [two-year NOFA](#) for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program and is currently competing funding appropriated for both FY 2019 and FY 2020 under this competition. The decision to move to this new format was made, in part, to encourage long-term planning and to further support the development of larger projects. While the two-year NOFA approach has its advantages, some Tribal housing practitioners have also informally expressed concerns to ONAP regarding this change in how ONAP awards competitive funds. As part of HUD's commitment to robust tribal consultation, HUD is requesting your feedback regarding this two-year NOFA format for future planning. Specifically, ONAP is interested in hearing from you about whether this new format is practical and workable for you and your staff, and whether ONAP should continue to award competitive funding in the future using this two-year NOFA format. **View the entire letter and obtain additional information for providing comments;** [HERE](#).

### TRIBAL HOUSING ADMISSIONS & OCCUPANCY (HUD/ONAP), JUNE 16-18 RENO, NV

**FREE TRAINING!** Housing Admissions and Occupancy responsibilities are at the heart of the rental housing program. Often occupancy specialists are the face of housing to many residents. Participants will learn how Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) policies and program requirements impact the Admissions and Occupancy (A&O) process. Tribal Housing Board and management can learn more about developing and applying tribal policies and procedures that are clear, support staff, and promote equitable and compliant programs. Participants at this 3-day interactive training will receive instruction based on real-life examples on how to successfully operate an effective A&O program. As a part of the training, participants will receive guidance on and take part in interactive exercises on the "A-to-Z" of A&O program. Training topics include eligibility, wait lists, rent calculations, collections, inspections, and lease compliance. Discussions will be held on how Admissions and Occupancy staff may need to collaborate with maintenance on tasks such as work-order processing, unit turnaround, and tenant education on the basic maintenance of the unit. To Register, visit <https://newregistration.firstpic.org/eao/>.



## INDIAN COUNTRY NEWS (CONTINUED)

### TRIBAL STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH ONLINE COURSES

The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) are pleased to offer professional development training to new and seasoned tribal professionals through interactive online courses. The *Tribal Strategic Planning/ETEP* and *Partnerships & Community Outreach* courses will be available **through March 20, 2020**. The two online courses listed here are fee-based and have instructors to ensure your individual

#### Tribal Strategic Planning: Ensuring Successful Development of Your EPA-Tribal Environmental Plan (ETEP)



Provides tools and resources to develop tribally-specific approaches to strategic planning and addresses:

- Concepts of Strategic Planning
- Strategic Planning Process and Actions
- Developing an EPA-Tribal Environmental Plan
- Developing a Work Plan

Registration for this online course is \$300. This course carries 1.0 continuing education unit (CEU) and requires approximately ten hours of total learning time.

#### Partnerships and Community Outreach



Provides tribally-specific tools and resources to engage your community in the development and implementation of their tribal work plans. Topics include:

- Importance of Partnerships and Outreach; Stakeholders; and Theories of Public Involvement
- Public Participation
- Developing Community Involvement Plans

Registration for this online course is \$150. This course carries 0.5 continuing education units (CEUs) and requires approximately five hours of total learning time.

questions are answered in a timely manner during the course period. These online courses contain assignments, quizzes, videos, examples, and other resources. You will continue to have access to course materials after the course end date. The next offering of the *Tribal Strategic Planning* and *Outreach* courses will be in Fall 2020. Stay tuned! Contact [profession-al@nau.edu](mailto:profession-al@nau.edu) with questions.

### SAVE THE DATE!

We're heading to San Antonio, TX, for the **20th Annual Travois Indian Country Affordable Housing & Economic Development Conference** on Tuesday, March 31-Thursday, April 2, 2020. This **one-of-a-kind educational conference** provides help for tribal entities interested in securing funds for affordable housing and economic developments in Native communities. We share tips and tools for using the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program and the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) program and other financing sources like impact investments, grants and more. These two federal tax credit programs have directly led to more than \$1.4 billion new and rehabilitated homes, businesses and services in Indian Country. Travois staff, experienced tribal developers and industry partners will share best practices on how to move developments forward — **planning, securing financing, architectural design, construction monitoring, asset management and compliance and more.**



Outstanding industry professionals who are making a difference in Native communities will be recognized at the Superhero Awards ceremony, and we will celebrate Travois 25th anniversary! **Registration will open this winter.** Save the date and join us in San Antonio! **Questions?** Contact [comm@travois.com](mailto:comm@travois.com) or call 816-994-8970.

### JUSTICE PROGRAM'S NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE WILL SUPPORT 15 AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE STUDENTS TO ATTEND CRIMINAL JUSTICE-RELATED CONFERENCES.

To enhance diversity in the field of criminal justice, the U.S. Department of Justice will make it possible for Native American students to explore how their educational backgrounds apply to issues of crime and justice. They will meet researchers and practitioners engaged in similar work. Conferences will expose students to innovative and evidence-based scientific and technological solutions to justice issues. Eligibility, application and other crucial program details are available online at: <https://go.usa.gov/xpnAw>. Deadline for application is at 11:59 p.m. EST **April 15, 2020**.

## TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

TRAINING/EVENT	WHEN AND WHERE	DESCRIPTION AND REGISTRATION
The 45th Annual NC Indian Unity Conference, Raleigh, NC	March 12-14, 2020	NC United Tribes was established in 1982 to provide greater coordination and unity among the American Indian tribes and organizations of the State of North Carolina. They work to promote educational, economic, religious, charitable and cultural activities for American Indian people. <a href="#">Click Here</a> to register for the conference.
U.S. EPA is offering a free half-day training on Developing a Disaster Debris Management Plan	March 16, 2020	<b>Developing a disaster debris management plan is the first step towards preparedness! During the week of the Tribal Environmental Program Management (TEPM) Conference in Chicago.</b> Debris management is an integral part of emergency management, especially in response to increased extreme weather or other disasters. <b>Registration:</b> To register to attend the training, email Dolly Tong at <a href="mailto:tong.dolly@epa.gov">tong.dolly@epa.gov</a> your: Name, Affiliation, Title, Address, Phone, and Email Address. <b>Webinar Access:</b> This training will also be broadcast live via webinar. To register for the webinar, go to: <a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8109160343161863435">https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8109160343161863435</a>
Northern and Middle States Regional Law Enforcement Training and Technical Assistance Program.	April 13, 2020	<b>This program provides resources, training, and technical assistance to smaller, rural, and tribal law enforcement agencies located in the northern and middle states of the United States to support their efforts to reduce violent crime, including drug-related crime and human trafficking.</b> The support could enhance information sharing (including investigatory and intelligence data) and dedicated communications capability among federal, state, local, and tribal agencies working throughout these states, and provide previously identified specialized equipment to address crime issues that may be unique to the designated area. <a href="#">Click Here</a> for additional information.
AMERIND and NAIHC Annual Conference	May 5-7, 2020	<b>  Seattle, Washington   Westin Hotel:</b> AMERIND and the National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) will host a combined annual event. This joint Annual Convention features a two-day trade show as well as topical training sessions that provided up-to-date information on issues that impact tribal housing programs and that directly relate to administration of programs under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA).
Whatever You'd Like	When You'd Like It	<b>FREE Technical Assistance is available to you through EWONAP!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accounting for Grants Management</li> <li>• Board of Commissioners Training</li> <li>• Construction Management</li> <li>• Development Project Planning and Management</li> <li>• Financial Management</li> <li>• New Executive Director Training</li> <li>• Self-Monitoring</li> <li>• Policies and Procedures Update Workshop</li> </ul> <b>Contact Mary White at <a href="mailto:Mary.White@hud.gov">Mary.White@hud.gov</a> or 312.913.8762</b>

## OTHER RESOURCES

### HELPFUL RESOURCES/WEBSITES FOR TRIBES AND TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Centralized website for federal grant opportunities: [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) • Government Information by Topic: <http://www.usa.gov/>.
- Explore U.S. Federal Agency Resources for Native Americans: <https://www.usa.gov/tribes>
- HUD's PIH Notices to Tribes and TDHEs: [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/ih/regs](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/regs)
- HUD's Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities: [www.hud.gov/sustainability](http://www.hud.gov/sustainability).
- Federal Register Today: [http://www.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/aces/fr-cont.html](http://www.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html).
- Environmental Resources <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/codetalk/resources/env.cfm>
- [Grants Available to Tribes on Health Issues](#)
- [Resources Available to Tribes on Health Issues](#)
- National Resource Database for Tribal Water System Operators: [www.smallwatersupply.org](http://www.smallwatersupply.org)
- Multi-agency Infrastructure Task Force in Indian Country: <http://www.epa.gov/tp/trprograms/infra-water.htm>
- Asset Building for Native Communities: <http://www.idaresources.org/page?pageid=a047000000ArRpK>
- Center for American Indian Economic Development: [www.franke.nau.edu/businessoutreach/caied](http://www.franke.nau.edu/businessoutreach/caied)
- Southern California Indian Center: [www.indiancenter.org](http://www.indiancenter.org)
- Indian Dispute Resolution Services, Inc.: <http://www.idrsinc.org>
- Native American Contractors Association: <http://www.nativecontractors.org/>
- CDFIs: Native Capital Access: [www.nativecapitalaccess.com](http://www.nativecapitalaccess.com)
- Native Community Finance: [www.nativecommunityfinance.org](http://www.nativecommunityfinance.org)
- National Congress of American Indians: [www.ncai.org](http://www.ncai.org)
- National American Indian Housing Council: [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net)

### FEDERAL PARTNERS

- [USDA Rural Development:https://www.rd.usda.gov/](http://www.rd.usda.gov/)
- Rural Utilities Service: High Energy Cost Grant Program (USDA): [http://www.rd.usda.gov/UEP\\_Grant\\_Program.html](http://www.rd.usda.gov/UEP_Grant_Program.html).
- [Department of Interior](#) Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Indian Self-Determination Services
- Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (Native Americans): <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/programs/aiana.htm>
- General Services Administration (GSA): [https://www.gsaadvantage.gov/advantage/main/start\\_page.do](https://www.gsaadvantage.gov/advantage/main/start_page.do)
- [Indian Health Service](#) (IHS): <http://www.ihs.gov/>
- IHS Environmental Health Support Center (Training Opportunities): <http://www.ihs.gov/EHSCT/index.cfm?module=home>
- Department of Health & Human Services (HRSA): <http://www.hrsa.gov/publichealth/community/indianhealth/index.html>
- Department of Energy's (DOE) Tribal Energy Program: <http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/>
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 Tribal Solid Waste: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/waste/tribal/index.html>
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 Green Building: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/greenbuilding/index.html>
- Environmental Protection Agency Office of Sustainable Communities: [www.epa.gov/smartgrowth](http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth)
- Internal Revenue Service – Tax Information for Indian Tribal Governments: <http://www.irs.gov/govt/tribes/index.html>
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) Money Smart materials can be found at [www.fdic.gov/moneysmart](http://www.fdic.gov/moneysmart)
- [US Department of Commerce - MDBA](#) (Minority Business Development Agency) <http://www.mbda.gov/>
- Economic Development Administration [www.eda.gov](http://www.eda.gov). [Small Business Administration](#) (SBA) <http://www.sba.gov/>
- [OCC Native American Banking Resource Directory](#) [www.occ.gov/topics/community-affairs/publications/index-ca-publications.html](http://www.occ.gov/topics/community-affairs/publications/index-ca-publications.html)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) – *Disaster Preparedness & Recovery* <http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit#> FEMA - *Trainings for Tribal representatives & staff.* <http://www.fema.gov/government/tribal/training.shtm>
- Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Office of Native Affairs & Policy <http://www.fcc.gov/indians/>.
- Administration for Native Americans (ANA): [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/programs/program\\_information.html](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/programs/program_information.html)
- Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) Training & Events: <http://www.rcac.org/doc.aspx?58>
- Partnership for Sustainable Communities: [www.sustainablecommunities.gov](http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov)
- Sustainable Communities Resource Center – [www.huduser.org/portal/sustainability/resources\\_rural\\_sustainability.html](http://www.huduser.org/portal/sustainability/resources_rural_sustainability.html)
- Social Security Administration - Public website [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)
- SSA's American Indians and Alaska Natives (AIAN) page <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/people/aiian/>
- Dept. of Transportation: Transportation Planning Capacity Building: [www.planning.dot.gov](http://www.planning.dot.gov) MAP 21 [www.dot.gov/map21](http://www.dot.gov/map21)

## FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NATIVE/TRIBAL ENTITIES

[Grants.gov](#) website lists **Open Grant Opportunities** for which Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments and/or Native American Tribal are eligible to apply. [Click Here](#) for the complete list and filter under Eligibility.

SOURCE	DEADLINE	DETAILS AND LINKS
U.S. Department of Justice	March 11, 2020	<p><b>The COPS Hiring Program (CHP) Program</b> is a competitive solicitation, open to all state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies with primary law enforcement authority. Approximately \$400 million in funding is available for FY 2020 CHP. <b>CHP provides funding to hire and re-hire entry level career law enforcement officers</b> in order to preserve jobs, increase community policing capacities and support crime prevention efforts. <b>Funding under this program may be used to do the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hire new officers</li> <li>• Rehire officers (laid off as a result of budget reductions)</li> <li>• Rehire officers (at the time of application, currently scheduled to be laid off as a result of budget reductions)</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Click here</a> for additional information.</p>
U.S. Department of Justice	March 11, 2020	<p>The Fiscal Year 2020 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants program is a competitive solicitation, open to all <b>local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies</b>. Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants program funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing funding to local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies. Applicants are invited to propose demonstration or pilot projects to be implemented in their agency that offer creative ideas to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes to support community policing in one of ten areas: Hate Crimes, Human Trafficking, Meeting Rural Law Enforcement Challenges, Officer Safety and Wellness, Recruitment Hiring and Retention, School Safety, Staffing and Allocation Studies, Victim-Centered Approaches, Violent Crime, and Youth Engagement. <a href="#">Click here</a> for more information.</p>
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	March 24-25, 2020	<p><b>Title VI- Loan Leveraging: Training with Results.</b> At this training, you'll learn how a Title VI loan can help you build more homes today by leveraging other resources. We'll walk you through the advantages of Title VI, the loan process, and ideas for maximizing your dollars. <a href="#">Click Here</a> for additional information and to register for the training. Location: Portland, OR</p>
U.S. Department of Justice	Open	<p><a href="#">Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities</a> DOJ announced the opening of the grant solicitation period for comprehensive funding to federally-recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments and tribal consortia to support public safety, victim services and crime prevention.</p>



## **The Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program** is a home mortgage specifically



designed for American Indian and Alaska Native families, Alaska Villages, Tribes, or Tribally Designated Housing Entities. Section 184 loans can be used both on and off native lands for new construction, rehab, the purchase of an existing home, or for refinancing.

Section 184 is synonymous with home ownership in Indian Country. As of March 2016, the Section 184 program has guaranteed over 33,728 loans, which represents over \$5.4 billion dollars in guaranteed funds.

Within the Eastern Woodlands region, over 3,938 loans have been made bringing \$565 million in private capital directly to Tribal Members. Tribes and TDHEs can also use Section 184 loans to achieve their housing development goals. Some benefits include:

- Low residential mortgage interest rates
- Lower monthly fees than standard PMI
- One time loan guarantee fee (1.5%)
- May utilize up to 15% of loan funds for site infrastructure costs
- Low down payment
- No household income restrictions
- Buy, Rehab, Refi or Build
- Finance up to 20 units at a time.

For a list of Approved 184 Lenders, [click here](#). For a map of eligible states and counties, [click here](#).

If you are interested in becoming an approved 184 lender, contact [Michael.T.Thorpe@hud.gov](mailto:Michael.T.Thorpe@hud.gov).

## **HUD ONAP Title VI Loan Guarantee Program**- Title

VI loans enable Indian Housing Block Grant recipients to leverage up to 5 times their IHBG 'Need' funding to finance affordable housing development by pledging future IHBG grant funds as security for repayment of the loan. A private lender provides the financing and HUD provides the guarantee to the lender. To visit the Title VI website, [click here](#). ONAP's Office of Loan Guarantee has advised that Title VI loans are limited this fiscal year, so the first funded loans will go to applicants whose loan package is the most complete first. For more information on the Section 184 or Title VI Program, contact Kimberly McMorris at [Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov](mailto:Kimberly.N.McMorris@hud.gov) or 312.913.8626. Here are some examples of how regional Tribes have utilized Title VI:



MOWA Choctaw HA	Construction of 12-15 lease to purchase homes.
Iswa Development Corp.	Construction of 65 Single Family homes, 25 cottages and 30 multifamily units.
Aroostook Band of Micmac	Construction of 17 units in two communities.
Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy	Construction funding for 28 rental homes and the community center, leveraging LIHTCs.
Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy	Construction of 9 units of low income rentals. Leveraged USDA, ARRA and private grants.
White Earth Reservation HA	Refinancing of 3 different loans used to fund equity in 2 LIHTC projects.
Lac Courte Oreilles HA	Construction of 20 multifamily units.
Ho-Chunk Housing & CDA	Construction of 36 units of multifamily housing, including 4 units of transitional housing.
Red Lake Reservation HA	Construction of 45 units of homeownership units.
Lumbee Tribe	Construction of 50 unit LIHTC project for Elders.



**Developing a New Project?**

**Revising your Policies and Procedures?**

**Reassessing Long Term Goals?**

**Let ONAP Help!**

## Free Technical Assistance

**HUD ONAP OFFERS  
FREE SPECIALIZED TRAINING  
AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR TRIBAL AND TDHE  
GRANTEES**

### *How Does It Work?*

EWONAP Staff or consultants will develop materials tailored to meet your individual needs.

We can work one-on-one or train in small groups.

Training and Technical Assistance can be done remotely or on-site.

#### **Training and TA available on:**

- Construction Management
- Financial Management
- Governance
- Grant Administration
- Green & Healthy Homes
- Home Buyer Education
- Leverage Financing
- Maintenance
- Needs Assessments
- Occupancy & Eligibility
- Organizational Structure
- Procurement
- Strategic Planning
- Or customize your own!



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## USEFUL LINKS

[HUD ONAP CodeTalk website](#)

[EWONAP website](#)

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