

# EASTERN WOODLANDS OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



## EWONAP NEWS BULLETIN MARCH 2021



**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 ADMINISTRATOR



Greetings,

It has been a rough February in the northern tier of states. February saw lots of snow. Cold and freezing rain also swept through the lower tier of states including Mississippi, home of the Choctaw. However, as March begins, the snow is melting and although it's still cold, one can feel the change in the air. What that means for housing professionals is a change over from plowing snow, salting sidewalks, and instead planning for ensuring that inspections are planned out and all tenants are recertified in accordance with HUD regulations. Such as 24 CFR §1000.126 & §128(b). Given the pan-

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demic and resultant disruptions in Tribal economies many Tribal households have lost income due to the decrease in travel and the closure or limited patronage at Tribal Casinos, hotels, and resorts. With less revenue many Tribes which were fairly self-sufficient have been forced to cut back services and their Tribal workforce, which has also decreased overall Tribal income. This also affects TDHEs who are required by regulation not to charge over 30% of household income for rent. 24 CFR §124. Though the main purpose of **annual recertification** is to ensure tenants are not overcharged, it may be challenging with many households reporting a drop in income and the resultant recalculation of rents.

**Inspections** of each unit are also required to be done annually (or in accordance with Tribal/TDHE policy) because each Grantee signs as a condition of its grant that it will maintain its units in good safe and sanitary condition for the life of the unit, which is usually not less than 25 years. Those Grantees with Federally Current Assisted Stock [FCAS units] in HUD terms, are given a subsidy which is premised on the idea that they will keep each 1937 Act unit in safe and sanitary condition with that portion of its Grant based on its FCAS count. Therefore, if the Tribe/TDHE is no longer operating the unit due to its conveyance, it no longer needs the money to maintain it. One issue that should be noted is that Mutual Help Units which are still on the FCAS count need to be inspected just as 1937 Act rentals. This is also more difficult in our current environment where advanced notice is required, which is enhanced due to health concerns where inspectors must wear masks and tenants in units should also wear masks during an inspection. One way to alleviate this is to use the PPE allowance in CARES Act grants to distribute masks to tenants along with cleaning supplies. All MHOA contracts require the “homebuyer” to maintain the unit in a safe and sanitary condition, so these units must be inspected to encourage the ‘Homebuyer’ to keep up the unit.

As you may have seen, HUD welcomed its new Secretary, [Marcia Fudge](#) this week. [Here](#) you will find a special video message from Secretary Fudge.

Mark your calendars, HUD will be hosting three Tribal consultations this month, including: Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1-3:00PM EST, Tribal Consultation on Strengthening HUD’s Tribal Consultation Policy (Secretary Fudge will be leading this session). Read the Dear Tribal Letter announcing this Tribal consultation [here](#). Wednesday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1-2:30PM EST, Continuum of Care Consultation [Click here for more details on this consultation](#). Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1-3:00PM EST, Tribal Consultation on the administration of Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) funds awarded under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. More details to be published on Codetalk soon.

ONAP staff have been very busy rating and ranking Grant applications and trying to keep up with all the delayed IHPs, APRs and Audits whose extensions have expired. With the CARES Act grants, both formula and ICDBG-IT grants, HUD VASH extensions and IHBG Competitive grants, our workload has greatly increased. Coming up are HUD VASH expansion grants which has a NOFA outstanding. Applications are due on April 15<sup>th</sup> and the details are listed on Codetalk [here](#). If you feel that you are not getting responses back in a timely manner after a reasonable time, repeat your request and if necessary, contact the GE or GM director to expedite the response you need.

Best regards,

[Mark Butterfield](#), Eastern Woodlands Administrator

## EWONAP REGIONAL NEWS

### SPOTLIGHT ON COVID-19 RESPONSE:

Lac du Flambeau Chippewa Housing Authority,

Submitted by: William J Greene, CHA Construction Manager

The Lac du Flambeau (LDF) Chippewa Housing Authority (CHA) construction/maintenance department projects during the Covid-19 pandemic required workers to alter their intended work plan to an emergency response plan to include: Entering occupied units for health and safety work orders only with proper PPE. Continued on-going structural move-out inspections and upgrades of vacated units were conducted while minimizing interactions with other employees, vendors, contractors and the general public as much as possible.



The CHA was required to reduce staff/workers in accordance with the LDF tribal essential workers only policy, tribal shelter in place orders and for periodic worker quarantine purposes. The CHA was also scheduled to begin the planning process for the construction of three (3) Covid-19 emergency/quarantine housing units.



For the fiscal year of 2020, the CHA managed to complete 2070 work orders, performed 31 of the 60 planned structural inspections and renovated/upgraded 14 of the anticipated 35 units that were planned to receive upgrades. The CHA also re-built a fire damaged NAHASDA assisted 4-bedroom home from

the foundation up utilizing CHA workers for the general construction work and subcontractors for the electrical and plumbing.

The professional design services for the construction of the emergency housing units consisting of one (1) duplex unit and one (1) single family home commenced on August 19, 2020. After receiving the required permits, the construction of the three (3) units began October 5th, 2020. These units are approximately 60% complete with a tentative completion and ready to occupy date of June 1, 2021.



### 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!*

## **DEAR TRIBAL LEADER LETTER - STRENGTHENING CONSULTATION - SESSION 2:**

**MARCH 23, 2021 FROM 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST**

Pursuant to President Biden’s Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) held the first of two Tribal consultation sessions to inform HUD’s Tribal consultation action plan. Waewanen (Thank you) to the many Tribal leaders, Tribal housing experts and advocates who joined us from across the country for our first virtual consultation session. We had a record turnout and received many thoughtful ideas and recommendations. We were honored to be joined by HUD’s Chief of Staff, Jenn Jones, HUD senior political appointees, and other senior leaders. We are thankful for their strong leadership on Indian housing issues and their commitment to Tribal consultation.

Our second Tribal consultation session will be held virtually on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EST. Please keep in mind that due to the current COVID-19 National Emergency, in-person consultation sessions cannot take place. You may join the conference 10 minutes prior to it starting.

**Step 1:** Dial into the conference.

Conference Line: 888-251-2949 or 215-861-0694 Access Code: 3359943#

**Step 2:** Join the conference on your computer.

Entry Link: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/837560>

We understand that some people have difficulty logging into WebEx. We recommend that you use the Google Chrome web browser to log into WebEx.

Read the full text of the Dear Tribal Leader letter [here](#).

Follow-up materials from the February 25, 2021 Consultation:

[Recording](#)

[Slides](#)

[Transcript](#)

## **EVICTIION MORATORIUM EXTENDED**

On January 29, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an Order **extending the eviction moratorium to March 31, 2021**. The updated Order is available [here](#). The Order continues to ban evictions for certain renters under Section 361 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. § 264) and 42 CFR § 70.2. As described in the Order, tenants qualifying as a “Covered Person” cannot be evicted for nonpayment of rent when a declaration under the penalty of perjury is provided to their landlord.

**Residents who previously submitted a declaration should not be asked to resubmit and should have continued protections until March 31, 2021.** Much of the content of the original September 4, 2020 Order has been incorporated into the updated Order. In addition to extending the effective period of the September 4, 2020 Order, the updated Order also includes newly available modeling projections and observational data from COVID-19 incidence comparisons across states that have implemented and lifted eviction moratoria, which demonstrates the ongoing public health rationale for the extension. The Order also now applies to American Samoa because cases of COVID-19 have now been reported there. The Order does not relieve the tenants’ obligation to pay rent, and tenants must continue to comply with terms under the lease. Nothing in the updated Order precludes the landlords from charging or collecting fees, penalties, or interest as a result of the tenants’ inability to pay rent on a timely basis. Evictions unrelated to nonpayment of rent can still take place. Any State, local, Tribal, or territorial area with a moratorium on residential evictions that provides the same or greater level of public health protection can supersede the updated CDC Order. To the extent any provision of the Order conflicts with prior Orders, the updated Order is controlling.

Thank you for all your efforts to promote housing stability during these unprecedented times. If you have related questions, please send them to: [PIH-COVID@hud.gov](mailto:PIH-COVID@hud.gov).

## **DEAR TRIBAL LENDER LETTER**

A new Dear Lender Letter (DLL) has been published to inform lenders and servicers of an extension to the foreclosure and eviction moratorium originally issued in DLL 2020-04, extended in DLL 2020-06, DLL 2020-08, DLL 2020-10, and further extended in DLL 2020-13 for borrowers with Section 184 or Section 184A guaranteed loans for an additional period through March 31, 2021. Read the full DLL [here](#) and press release [here](#).



## INDIAN COUNTRY NEWS (CONTINUED)

### [Dear Tribal Leader Letter](#) - Supporting Access to COVID-19 Vaccinations

This Dear Tribal Leader (DTL) letter outlines how IHBG-CARES, FY 2020 IHBG, ICDBG-CARES, and FY 2019/2020 ICDBG grant funds can be used to assist Tribal communities with COVID-19 vaccination efforts. In addition, to providing examples of how grant funds can be used, this DTL provides a list of COVID-19 vaccination resources. To learn more about eligible activities, please read the full text of the Dear Tribal Leader letter [here](#).

### Vacancy Announcement- [Grants Evaluation Specialist, GS- 9/11/12](#)

The following are the duties of this position at the GS-12. If you are selected at a lower grade level, you will have the opportunity to learn to perform all these duties, and will receive training to help you grow in this position.

- Implements national policies, standards, procedures and guidelines with regard to the monitoring and evaluation of all applicable programs. Provides guidance to Indian tribes and Tribally-Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) regarding the interpretation and application of grants evaluation program policies and procedures.
- Participates as individual or member of functional team to conduct targeted compliance assessments of specific TDHEs using diagnosis, problem analysis and resolution, and follow-up. Provides technical assistance to TDHEs by responding to inquiries, disseminating relevant information, identifying needs, and assisting in the development of tailored packages to address those needs. Develops and initiates corrective actions for non-compliant grant recipients. Initiates enforcement and referral actions to address substantial non-compliance issues. Refers severe compliance issues to the appropriate Departmental officials with recommendations for addressing the issues.
- Provides feedback to the Division Director regarding the effectiveness of current policies and procedures in meeting ONAP objectives and the unique concerns of assigned Indian communities. Monitors performance indicators and implements long-term proactive performance trending so that potential problems are identified and solutions developed before they reach the problem state. Uses available resources to develop solutions to complex and data-specific problems. Tracks the effectiveness of implemented solutions through on-site visits, feedback questionnaires, interviews with appropriate personnel, and remote monitoring.

[Apply Here](#)

### Native American learning Center

#### Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families

Date: April 12 - 16, 2021

Time: 1:00 PM EST to 6:15 pm EST, with a 30-minute break from 4:15 -4:45 pm EST

\*Requirement for Certification:

Must attend and participate in 90% of the training and have a working webcam.



[Click here to register for Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families](#)

Registration is FREE for Native Americans & those working within Indian Country!

## TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

TRAINING/EVENT	WHEN AND WHERE	DESCRIPTION AND REGISTRATION
<b>HUD/NAIHC</b>  <a href="#">Indian Housing Plan/Annual Performance Report (IHP/APR)</a>	Virtual Training  <b>Date:</b> March 30-31, 2021  <b>Time:</b> 9:00-4:00 p.m. AKST  <a href="#">Register Here</a>	<b>The Association of Alaska Housing Authorities is hosting a two (2) day virtual training on Indian Housing Plan (IHP)/Annual Performance Report (APR).</b> This online workshop will provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the IHP and APR requirements, the process for developing the local IHP, tracking activities for the APR, step-by-step process for completing the report template and current reference materials related to the IHP and APR. The workshop also incorporates discussion and case studies to facilitate networking and to assist participants in being prepared to complete their IHP and APR.
<b>HUD/NAIHC</b>  <a href="#">NAHASDA Essentials</a>	Virtual Training  <b>Date:</b> April 27-29, 2021  <b>Time:</b> 8:30-3:30 p.m. AKST  <a href="#">Register Here</a>	<b>AAHA is hosting an exciting and interactive three (3) day online training with a half day (04/30/2021) being available for participants to schedule a one-on one session with the trainer.</b> The training will provide attendees with a comprehensive introduction to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). Participants will become familiar with latest regulations, program guidance, and PIH Notices. A thorough review of eligible families and eligible activities including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation and housing and crime prevention services will be provided.
<b>HUD/NAIHC</b>  <a href="#">Uniform Guidance 2 CFR Part 200 (Super Circular)</a>	Virtual Training  <b>Date:</b> May 4-6, 2021  <b>Time:</b> 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. AKST  <a href="#">Register Here</a>	The Uniform Guidance establishes the administrative and financial management requirements for all Federal grants in accordance with 2 CFR 200. The Uniform Guidance requirements encompass management standards, procurement, reporting, record keeping, allowable costs, audits and much more. In addition to the Uniform Guidance, specific program requirements are established by statute or regulation which supersedes the Uniform Guidance. This three (3) day online training will provide participants with a comprehensive overview of the administrative and financial management requirements for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) including the Uniform Guidance. The training will emphasize practical applications of the Uniform Guidance to the NAHASDA program requirements.
<b>Whatever You'd Like</b>	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/](https://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.mdba.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	<p>Second Chance Grant: <b>Applications due March 30, 2021</b></p> <p>Kevin and Avonte Program: <b>Applications due March 31, 2021</b></p>	<p><b>FY 2021 Second Chance Act Pay for Success Initiative:</b> This program provides funding for state, local, and tribal governments to enhance or implement performance-based and outcomes-based contracts with reentry, permanent supportive housing, or recovery housing providers to reduce recidivism and address the substance use disorders impacting formerly incarcerated people. For more information: <a href="https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-41005">https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-41005</a></p> <p><b>FY 2021 The Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities:</b> This program supports local and tribal jurisdictions' efforts to reduce the number of deaths and injuries of individuals with forms of dementia such as Alzheimer's disease or developmental disabilities such as autism who, due to their condition, wander from safe environments. It provides funding to law enforcement and public safety agencies to implement locative technologies to track missing individuals, and to such agencies and partnering nonprofit organizations to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase individuals' safety, and facilitate rescues. <a href="https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-44004">https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-44004</a></p>
Publication of Tribal Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH) Expansion NOFA	Applicants have until <b>11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on April 15, 2021</b> , to submit applications.	The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published the NOFA for the Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Program. The NOFA announced the availability of approximately \$3.2 million for competitive grants to eligible Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs). For further information about this funding opportunity, please visit <a href="http://www.grants.gov/">www.grants.gov/</a> and <a href="http://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/tribalhudvash">www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/tribalhudvash</a> .
U.S. Department of Justice/Office of Violence Against Women <a href="#">OVW Fiscal Year 2021 Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program Solicitation</a>	<p><b>Grants.gov deadline: April 7, 2021</b></p> <p><b>JustGrants deadline: April 22, 2021</b></p>	The Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program (referred to as the Tribal Governments Program) is authorized to assist tribal governments and authorized designees of tribal governments to respond to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, and stalking in their communities. <u>Eligible applicants are limited to:</u> 1) Governments of Indian tribes, bands, pueblo, nation, or other organized group or community (including any Alaska Native village or regional or village, 2) Tribal designee, an organization that is acting as the authorized designee of an Indian tribal government, or 3) Tribal consortium, a coalition of two or more separate Indian tribes that join together for the purpose of participating in self-governance. <b>POC for questions, Regina Madison, Grant Program Specialist, <a href="mailto:OVW.TribalAffairs@usdoj.gov">OVW.TribalAffairs@usdoj.gov</a>.</b>
U.S Department of Justice	<b>Open</b>	<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.



## 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
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