Announcements

CDC Eviction Moratorium Extended to June 30
In early April, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued an Order extending the eviction moratorium to June 30, 2021. A summary of the Order is available here.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement Program
This Cooperative Agreement provides funding to support community-based organizations in their efforts to develop community-driven solutions that address environmental and/or public health issues for underserved communities. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations in partnership with local governments, industry, academia, or businesses. Number of awards: 46. Closing Date for applications: June 1, 2021. Award Ceiling: $200,000. No floor. Total program funding: $9.2 million.

HUD Housing-Related Hazards Capital Fund Program
Competitive grants to public housing authorities to evaluate and reduce housing-related hazards including carbon monoxide and mold in public housing. Application deadline: May 25, 2021. Expected number of awards: 10. Total program funding: $20 million. Award ceiling: $4 million. Award floor: $10,000.

EVENTS & TOOLS

FY2020 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grantee Peer Exchange
A recording of the peer exchange session for new Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grantees, "Identifying Asset and Needs Assessments/Community Engagement Strategies" was posted along with a copy of the presentation.

Guidance for Public Housing Authorities about COVID-19 Vaccinations
HUD’s Office of Public & Indian Housing provides a guidance document with information about providing vaccines for residents and staff.

The National League of Cities American Rescue Plan Summary
The National League of Cities provides a searchable summary of all the provisions of the American Rescue Plan.

**Exclusions from Annual Income Calculations: Additional Unemployment Benefit and Monthly Child Tax Credit from the American Rescue Plan**

HUD has determined that the $300/week unemployment benefit and the upcoming monthly child tax credit payment are to be excluded from the annual income calculation. If you have questions, please send them to: pih-covid@hud.gov.

**Strategies for Promoting COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence (recorded webinar)**

HUD presented a webinar that provided information about COVID-19 vaccine myths and misinformation, barriers to vaccine access, resources to share information about the vaccine, and how to engage with community leaders to promote awareness.

**The Past, Present, and Future of the New Markets Tax Credit Program (recorded webinar)**

The New Markets Tax Credit program is a long-standing place-based program that provides federal tax credits to attract private investment into low-income communities. The Urban Institute presented new evidence on the program: the types of projects it supports, the neighborhoods where it is active, and its impacts on those communities.