Hello!

During this holiday season I am reflecting on the amazing contributions we all have made to implement the HUD mission and Secretarial Initiatives this past year. Our Field Office continues to support the HUD COVID-19 priority community effort, House America, Housing Voucher utilization and other important efforts. We hope that you continue practicing COVID-19 mitigation protocols and encourage everyone to take the necessary steps to become vaccinated. I also would like to acknowledge our Field Office leadership and staff in their tireless efforts to support our constituents.

I am committed to sharing information and best practices with our Grantees and other key stakeholders. As such, we welcome your suggestions for future newsletter articles at ncwebmanager@hud.gov. I also encourage you to follow us at www.hud.gov/northcarolina and @HUDSoutheast Twitter.

Finally, I'd like to wish you and your loved ones a very happy and safe holiday season.

Thanks,

Roosevelt A. Grant
On September 28, 2021, North Carolina’s City of Charlotte Mayor Vi Lyles hosted a two hour visit at the Renaissance West Community for the 18th Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Marcia L. Fudge.

The City of Charlotte, known by locals as the Queen City, spent $5 million of Housing Trust Fund dollars to build the Renaissance West, a campus that offers more than affordable housing. It has a childcare development center and a charter school, offers job training sessions, promotes health and wellness of its residents. A YMCA center is within walking distance and has bus stops within the community to facilitate regional mobility go its more than 1,300 residents living in 334 mixed-income housing units. “This community is a model that the nation should follow. This is a development that I think is second to none, and I have traveled an awful lot to see what we are doing with senior housing and low-income and moderate housing,” noted Secretary Fudge.

Secretary Fudge also spoke about House America, an all-hands-on-deck effort to address the nation’s homelessness crisis. This initiative, led by HUD and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) is a partnership with state, tribal, and local leaders to use American Rescue Plan resources, alongside other federal, tribal, state, and local resources, to re-house households experiencing homelessness. The City of Charlotte has committed to support House America.

Secretary Fudge’s visit came the day after the Charlotte City Council unanimously approved $23 million to be spent of Housing Trust funding on more affordable housing. Secretary Fudge noted Charlotte’s effort to increase homeownership: “Homes are our wealth; it is what we pass down to our children and children’s children. And so, if we don’t ever create something that is going to give us wealth, it just becomes a vicious cycle.”
On November 10, 2021, the Greensboro Field Office conducted a virtual meeting with Congressman David Price to highlight the work that the Field Office has been involved in across the State of North Carolina.

Congressman Price is the Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development. During the meeting, the Directors from each program area highlighted their work initiatives, and answered questions from the Congressman and his staff.

FPM presented on, House America, Section 3 and COVID-19 project (Phase I and II). The Field Office shared the great work that has been done and forecasted the work that will be done in the upcoming year.

Each year, FHEO Region IV oversees Fair Housing and Civil Rights compliance for Community Block Development (CPD) grant recipients and Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) in the Southeast region. FHEO Region IV’s Programs & Compliance Civil Rights Risk Management Team is conducting its annual risk assessment of nearly 1,000 CPD block grant recipients and PHAs during the first and second quarters of FY22.

FHEO Region IV plans to mitigate risk for 100% of HUD recipients designated as high-and very high-risk and increase the number of compliance reviews it conducts in FY22. The compliance reviews will address risk factors such as waitlist disparities, environmental hazards, and segregation. The overall goals of the risk mitigation and compliance reviews are to eliminate housing discrimination, promote economic opportunity, and achieve diverse, inclusive communities within Region IV.
House America: An All-Hands-on-Deck Effort to Address the Nation’s Homelessness Crisis is a federal initiative in which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) are inviting mayors, city and county leaders, tribal nation leaders, and governors into a national partnership. House America will utilize the historic investments provided through the American Rescue Plan to address the crisis of homelessness through a Housing First approach.

Through the American Rescue Plan, communities now have historic housing resources - 70,000 emergency housing vouchers, $5 billion in HOME grants, and significant investments to preserve and protect housing on tribal lands - to help more Americans obtain the safety of a stable home. The American Rescue Plan also provides $350 billion in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds through the Department of the Treasury to support the many needs communities face, including homelessness and housing instability, as they respond to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts. Communities also have resources through the CARES Act, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, and other state, tribal, and local resources to re-house people experiencing homelessness and create additional dedicated housing units to address homelessness.
For information regarding home loans, liens, Manufactured Homes data plates, etc. please contact our FHA center at
Phone: 1-800-225-5342
Email: answers@hud.gov

COVID-19 vaccines are free and available to anyone who wants one. Vaccines.gov works with partners such as clinics, pharmacies and health departments to provide accurate and up-to-date information about vaccination services in your area.

Find a COVID-19 Vaccine Near You

Use Vaccines.gov to find a location near you, then call or visit their website to make an appointment. Call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 888-720-7489).

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Quadel

Tenants living in Multi-Family Properties with Performance Based Contract Administration (PBCA) should direct any issues to their property management before contacting NC Quadel.

866-318-0808
press option 1 or they can email any concerns to residentcall@ncquadel.com.
The New Section 3 Business Registry Portal is Open!

The new Section 3 Business Registry Portal is open! Due to the changes of the regulatory definitions, businesses that previously qualified as Section 3 business concern under the old Part 135 rule will need to recertify that they meet the criteria under the new Section 3 Rule (24 CFR Part 75). Your business was self-certified as a Section 3 Business Concern under the previous rule. You must re-enter your information to self-certify in the new Section 3 Business Registry.

You must meet one of the following criteria to register in the new Section 3 Business Registry Portal to certify that you meet the requirements under the new Section 3 Rule (24 CFR Part 75)

(i) At least 51 percent owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons;

(ii) Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 workers; or

(iii) At least 51 percent owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.

You are encouraged to use a business email address to register in the Section 3 Business Registry. If you already have a profile under Login.gov, please be sure you are using the same email address from your Login.gov profile to register in the new Business Registry Portal.

To Self-certify visit: [https://www.hud.gov/Sec3Biz](https://www.hud.gov/Sec3Biz). If you have any questions, you may submit them via email to sec3biz@hud.gov.

Note: Businesses will be verified as Section 3 business concerns by the funding recipient at time of contract processing. Section 3 Business Registry is a self-identification tool. HUD accepts the firm's self-certification that it meets the requirements of a Section 3 Business but has not validated this claim or substantiated its validity.

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