



Department of Housing and Urban Development
Public and

Indian Housing

Special Attention:

All Public Housing Agencies
and Indian Housing Authorities;
Public Housing Office
Directors;
Administrators, Offices
of Native American Programs

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Subject: Immigration and Naturalization Service Forms

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) is requesting all holders of Alien Registration Receipt Cards (INS Form I-151) issued before 1979 to have them replaced with the current card, Form I-551. This INS project will conclude March 20, 1996.

While verifying the immigration status of applicants and residents, Housing agencies (HAs), may encounter some individuals who have not replaced their Form I-151 cards. Any such individuals who are still holders of Form I-151 are still Legal Permanent Residents and the Alien Status Verification Index data base will reflect them as such unless they have lost their status for some other reason. An expired alien registration card does not indicate that the applicant or resident has lost their valid immigration status. HAs should process these applicants and residents in accordance with Guidebook 7465.7.

INS has requested that HA staff urge holders of these cards to contact the INS toll-free number, 1-800-755-0777, to obtain information on how and where to apply for a new card. For your information, illustrations of INS Forms I-151 and I-551 may be found in the INS' SAVE Program Instructions Manual which is Appendix G to Guidebook 7465.7.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Mr. Bruce Vincent at 202-708-0614 x-4025.

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