

U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

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Special Attention of: Housing Agencies; Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs), State/Area Coordinators; Public Housing Directors; Administrators, Office of Native American Programs; Resident Management Corporations; Resident Councils	NOTICE PIH 98-66 (HA)  Issued: December 29, 1998 Expires: December 31, 1999  <hr/> Cross References:
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Subject: Exclusion of Earned Income as Census Takers

1. Purpose.

This Notice informs Housing Agencies (HAs), Tribes, Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) and residents of low-income housing that income earned as temporary census takers can be excluded from eligibility determinations.

2. Background.

HUD has a vital interest in promoting full, accurate count in the 2000 Census and supports the Census Bureau's efforts to recruit an adequate workforce in every neighborhood. HUD regulations at 24 CFR 5.609(c) exclude "temporary nonrecurring, or sporadic income....." from annual income calculations.

3. Exclusion.

HUD will, therefore, exclude the amounts earned by temporary Census employees for determining income in the Department's assisted housing programs.

4. Term, Types of Employment for Residents.

Terms of employment may not exceed 180 days from the purposes of the exclusion. Most temporary Census work will last less than three months and occur during the months of March through July 2000. Employees will be needed for smaller-scale pre-census operations currently underway, and continuing through the year 2000.

A full range of temporary employment will be available to low-income residents. Census 2000 will offer employment in other capacities besides that of “census takers” or enumerators. Other positions include, but are not limited to, crew leaders and clerks.

5. Notification to Residents.

HAs, Tribes and TDHEs are encouraged to post this Notice for residents’ information.

6. Contact Persons.

Questions concerning this Notice can be directed to George E. Barnett, Bureau of the Census, telephone (301)457-4600, Patricia Arnaudo, HUD, telephone (202)708-0744, extension 4250.

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