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1. FY2013 Indian Community Development Block Grant Notice of Funding Availability. Deadline is March 18, 2013. ONAP Program Guidance attached. <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=6y3fQ1yJkGDjsQSfQcnTBTCnT87xcFzXYtWjwg1wfrH6Nk4dTFTZ!1848300817?oppld=215733&mode=VIEW>

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Audio at: 877-336-1280, Access Code: 3229316

2. EPA is seeking public comment on the Working Draft of the EPA Policy on Environmental Justice for Tribes and Indigenous Peoples. The purpose of the Policy is to clarify and provide consistency in how EPA intends to work with federally-recognized tribes and

indigenous stakeholders to address their environmental justice concerns. The Public Comment Period is from January 8 – February 15, 2013. A copy of the Working Draft and the Notification of Public Comment are attached. This information is also available on OEJ's Website, <http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/indigenous/index.html>, and was sent out on the EJ Listserv. Please share the following information with the indigenous stakeholders and tribes you work with.

3. UPCOMING TRAINING/CONFERENCES: New items posted on our [Calendar of Events](#)

Greener Homes Regional Training and Sustainable Construction, February 12-14, Albuquerque, NM

ONAP sponsored free training session on green buildings performance- data monitoring and collecting, and cost benefit analysis. Session will also introduce the grid tied net zero energy home, rainwater gardens and collection, alternative renewable energy technologies, and key energy cost reduction measures for upgrading inefficient buildings. Flyer attached.

<http://registration.firstpic.org>

2013 State of Indian Nations Address, February 14, 7:30 am PST

Jefferson Keel, President of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) will deliver the annual State of Indian Nations Address on February 14, 2013 from Washington, DC. The event will be broadcast live via www.NCAI.org/Live and will be available immediately for replay online.

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NW Native Asset Building Coalition Quarterly Meeting, February 21, Kingston, WA
Quarterly meeting of the Northwest Native Asset Building Coalition will be hosted by the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe. The agenda to include prize linked

savings accounts, Individual Development Savings Accounts, and Implementing Asset Building in Tribal Communities-Where to Begin? For more information, contact: Iris.Friday@hud.gov

Orientation to Sustainable Environmental Assessment, Feb 25 – March 1, Los Angeles, Environmental responsibilities under NEPA and other authorities have been delegated by 24 CFR 58 to local governments for many HUD programs, such as CDBG, HOME, subsidized and public housing. The required assessment process offers an opportunity to promote sustainability in project design & implementation. Scholarships available.
<http://www.ph.ucla.edu/erc/osea-2013.htm>, or 310-206-2304

NAIHC Training Expo, February 26-28, Phoenix/Scottsdale, AZ

Four concurrent training courses including:

- Introduction to Indian Housing Management
- Basic Accounting
- Acquisition Basics
- Pathways Homeownership

Free evening reception February 26th: Risk Management for Tribes- An Insight to Understanding Insurance sponsored by AMERIND Risk Management.

<http://naihc.net/index.php/events/phoenix-2013>

Environmental Review, February 26- March 1, Oklahoma City, OK

ONAP sponsored training will offer IHBG Grantees the skills to successfully carry out an environmental review process. See attached

flyer. <http://registration.firstpic.org/onapEnvReview/index.php>

Children's Environmental Health Research Conference, February 26th, Seattle, WA

Sponsored by the University of Washington and Center for Child Environmental Health Risks Research.

Explore the Connection to Policy and Practice

No registration fee. For more details please visit:

<http://depts.washington.edu/pehsu/conference>

Emergency Management & Public Safety for Tribal Officials Training, February 26-27, Albuquerque, NM

Intensive course includes training exercises, discussions of pending legislation, and hearing about best practices from tribes around the country. <https://lamarassociates.net/ict/trainingreg/index.php>

NW Native Asset Building Coalition Quarterly Meeting, March 5, Worley, ID

Quarterly meeting of the Northwest Native Asset Building Coalition will be hosted by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. The agenda to include prize linked savings accounts, Individual Development Savings Accounts, and Implementing Asset

Building in Tribal Communities-Where to Begin? For more information, contact:
Iris.Friday@hud.gov

NAHASDA Essentials, March 5-7, Denver, CO

HUD ONAP sponsored free training on the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act. See attached flyer.

<http://registration.firstpic.org/onapEssentials/index.php>

Indoor Air Quality in Tribal Communities, March 12-15, Tucson, AZ

Entry-level course is designed to provide an understanding of common indoor air quality (IAQ) problems in tribal homes and schools. The course includes an overview of indoor air pollutants and their health effects, and tips for solving IAQ problems. There will be hands-on practice with a comprehensive assessment tool used to identify IAQ problems. This course consists of lectures and a tribal case study, demonstrations, small-group activities, and a building walk-through.

<http://www4.nau.edu/itep/air/docs/PreReg-IAQ.pdf>

Native Homebuyer Education Class, March 16, Snoqualmie, WA

First time homebuyer class will cover the Pros & Cons of Homeownership, Understanding Credit, Qualifying for a Home Loan, Loan Closing, and Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program. Hosted by the Snoqualmie Tribe 10:30 a.m. — 3:00 p.m. See attached flyer. Contact Jamie Garner, Housing Director, 425-888-6551 x1104, Jamie@snoqualmietribe.us

National Climate Adaptation Forum, April 2–4, Denver, CO

Within the agenda there is a tribal track to chart a path for participants, from conducting adaptation planning to scoping issues that are impediments to climate adaptation planning and action to participating in a working group to advance tribal issues nationally.

<http://www.nationaladaptationforum.org/>.

9th Annual Native Women's Leadership Forum and Enduring Spirit Luncheon, April 4 – 5, Anacortes, WA

This year's theme is "The Power of Indigenous Women - Reaching Hands Across Borders" to honor and recognize the importance of sisterhood both here in the US and across borders with in Canada and beyond. Conference features a youth academy, panels, workshops, and enduring spirit honoring luncheon.

<http://www.enduringspirit.org/#!2013-event>, register at

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e6znyiymb40bbadc&llr=f5conycab>

NAIHC Training Expo, April 9-11, Myrtle Beach, SC

Four concurrent training courses including:

- Admissions & Occupancy

- Development & Modernization
- Financial Management
- Pathways Home Recertification

<http://naihc.net/index.php/events/myrtle-beach-2013>

2013 National Tribal Forum on Air Quality, April 30-May 2, Fountain Hills, AZ.
Environmental professionals from tribes, EPA, and other organizations an opportunity to meet and discuss current policies, regulatory initiatives, funding, and technical topics in air quality. Register at www4.nau.edu/itep/conferences/confr_ntf.asp. Contact Susan.Wotkyns@nau.edu.

Neighbor Works Training Institute, May 6-10, Portland, OR
More than 100 courses for all levels of experience, as well as a special Wednesday symposium, "Engaging Customers and Community through Social Technology".

<http://www.nw.org/network/training/upcoming/PDX.asp>

****First Nations Oweesta Corporation** Scholarship deadline **March 1, 2013**. www.nw.org/scholarships scholarship code "**CDFIOR13**" This specialized training is designed to build the capacity of Native practitioners through IDA development training, and strengthen Native communities through asset building strategies, and sustainable planning. **

Strengthening Tribal Communities into the Future Conference, June 4-6, Hollywood, FL
Sessions on: Celebrating Culture & Language, Financial Wellness, Grant Education, Housing Strategies, and Tribal Government For more information, visit www.nativelearningcenter.com

NAIHC Training Expo, June 11-13, Seattle, WA
Four concurrent training courses including:

- Maintenance Management
- Supervisory Management
- Pathways Home
- NAHASDA - LIHTC Compliance

<http://naihc.net/index.php/events/seattle-2013>

NAIHC Training Expo, August 6-8, Denver, CO
Four concurrent training courses including:

- Housing Services
- Development & Modernization
- Basic Accounting
- Acquisition Basics

<http://naihc.net/index.php/training/leadership-institute/>

NAIHC Training Expo, Oct. 1-3, Minneapolis, MN

Four concurrent training courses including:

- Introduction to Indian Housing Mgt.
- Financial Management
- Pathways Home
- Admissions & Occupancy

<http://naihc.net/index.php/events/minneapolis-2013>

NAIHC Training Expo, Nov. 5-7, Oklahoma City, OK

Four concurrent training courses including:

- Maintenance Management
- Supervisory Management
- Housing Services
- NAHASDA - LIHTC Compliance

<http://naihc.net/index.php/training/leadership-institute/>

4. **FUNDING AVAILABILITY:**

Toolbox for Education Grant (LOWE'S Charitable and Education Foundation)

Deadline: February 15, 2013

Grants range from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and are awarded in support of projects that encourage parent involvement in local schools and build stronger community spirit. Applicants must be a public K-12 school or nonprofit parent group associated with such a school.

<http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/>

ROSS Service Coordinators (Dept. HUD)

Deadline: February 19, 2013

Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinators grant to public housing agencies, tribes/tribally designated housing entities, Resident Associations, and tax-exempt nonprofit organizations (including grassroots, faith-based and other community-based organizations) for the provision of a Service Coordinator to coordinate supportive services and other activities designed to help Public and Indian housing residents attain economic and housing self-sufficiency.

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppld=213453>

Smart Growth Implementation Assistance Program (EPA)

Deadline: March 1, 2013

Technical assistance grants on issues such as storm water management, code revision, transit-oriented development, affordable housing, infill development, corridor planning, green building, and climate change.

<http://epa.gov/smartgrowth/sgia.htm>

Rural Design Symposium (Citizen's Institute on Rural Design)

Deadline: March 5, 2013

Request for proposals to rural communities with a population of 50,000 or less located in a non-metropolitan county or a metropolitan county on the urban fringe for an opportunity to host a two-and-a-half day workshop aimed at tackling regional planning issues through design.

<http://www.rural-design.org/request-for-proposals>

Arts Works Grants (National Endowment of the Arts)

Deadline: March 7, 2013

Art Works support projects that achieve the following four outcomes: the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, public engagement with diverse and excellent art, lifelong learning in the arts, and the strengthening of communities through the arts.

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppld=213473>

Youth Football Field Improvement Grants (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)

Deadline: March 15, 2013

Grant provides matching grants of up to \$200,000 to nonprofits working to make capital improvements to football fields in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods lacking clean, safe and accessible football fields.

<http://www.lisc.org/section/ourwork/national/youth/request>

FY2013 Indian Community Development Block Grant (HUD)

Deadline is March 18, 2013

ICDBG funds may be used to improve housing stock, provide community facilities, improve infrastructure, and expand job opportunities by supporting the economic development of the communities.

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Youth Build Grants (Dept. Labor)

Deadline: March 19, 2013

Grants to provide education and construction training/employment services to disadvantaged youth ages 16-24. There is a 25 percent cash or in-kind match requirement, and up to 30 percent of funds are for grants to applicants that have not previously received a Youth Build grant.

http://doleta.gov/grants/pdf/pfs_sga_dfa_py_12_02.pdf

Sustainable Construction in Indian Country (Dept. HUD)

Deadline: March 25, 2013

Grants up to \$100,000 for demonstration, technical assistance, curriculum development/training, and information dissemination related to sustainable construction in the Native Community.

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppld=219116>

Planning Program and Local Technical Assistance Program (Commerce EDA)

Deadline: On-going

Up to \$100K to assist eligible recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to stimulate and guide the economic development efforts of a community or region.

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppld=189193>

Tribal Energy Program Technical Assistance (Dept. Energy)

Deadline: On-going

Free technical assistance to assist federally recognized Indian tribes, bands, nations, and other organized groups and communities—including Alaska Native villages or regional and village corporations—with renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. Typically limited to 40 hours and may include, renewable energy technology information, renewable resource information, energy efficiency techniques, project support, system performance modeling, policy information, design review, special studies, strategic energy planning and training. Download the attached technical assistance request form, fill it out and submit it to tribal@go.doe.gov.

5. WEB RESOURCES:

- **White House Report, “Continuing the Progress in Tribal Communities”** examines the President’s agenda and how this Administration, by working together with tribes, has made a difference for American Indians and Alaska Natives. Download at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2012/12/05/continuing-progress-tribal-communities>

- **Native Generations** is a campaign to help raise awareness about high infant mortality in urban American Indian communities and share health and prevention messages. In addition to an 11-minute video that features Native families from Seattle (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lok5ACnOf_c), the organization provides free brochures and resource guides to Native health programs and interested individuals. www.uihi.org/NativeGenerations.

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January 22, 2013

PROGRAM GUIDANCE

PROGRAM: Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG)

FOR: All Tribal Government Leaders and Tribally Designated Housing Entities

FROM: 
Rodger J. Boyd, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Programs, PN

TOPIC: Posting of Fiscal Year 2013 Notice of Funding Availability for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program

Purpose: The purpose of this guidance is to provide potential applicants with a summary of the Department's Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, also known as the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program, posted on January 15, 2013. The General Section of the NOFA was posted on August 8, 2012, and describes HUD's FY 2013 policy and submission requirements. Both documents and the technical correction to the General Section can be downloaded from http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

Program Description: The purpose of the ICDBG program is the development of viable American Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes.

Eligibility Information: All federally recognized Indian tribes and Alaska Native Villages are eligible to participate in the ICDBG program. Tribal organizations, as described in 24 CFR 1003.5, are also eligible applicants. To apply for funding, an applicant must meet the eligibility criterion by the application submission date. Eligible categories of funding include housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing, homeownership assistance, public facilities and improvements, economic development, and microenterprise programs. For a complete description of eligible activities, please refer to 24 CFR 1003, subpart C.

FY 2013 Funding Availability: The NOFA does not include a total funding amount, an allocation of funds for each of the six Area Offices of Native American Programs (ONAP) or a set-aside of Imminent Threat grant funds. The availability of funding for this program is contingent on future Congressional action. HUD will issue a technical correction to this

NOFA when and if appropriations are enacted that require HUD to modify the funding criteria or application requirements, or if HUD determines that adjustments to estimated award amounts or timelines are necessary. Any such technical correction will provide detailed instructions for applicants to permit them to resubmit the application to address the revised NOFA requirements.

Application Due Date: The application deadline is 11:59:59 p.m. eastern time March 18, 2013, and as in past years must be submitted through Grants.gov unless a waiver of the electronic submission requirement has been requested and granted.

Changes in the FY 2013 NOFA: There are several changes in the FY 2013 ICDBG NOFA. This Program Guidance provides only a summary; interested applicants should read the entire NOFA carefully to be aware of each and every change.

Section I – Funding Opportunity Description

Imminent Threat Grants

The NOFA informs applicants that they should not submit requests for Imminent Threat grants until after the FY 2013 appropriation has been enacted. It informs applicants that projects funded with Imminent Threat funds must be completed within 24 months. It also states that *“If in response to a request for assistance that Area ONAP issues a letter to proceed under the authority of 24 CFR 1003.401(a), you may undertake temporary and permanent repairs to control the imminent threat but only if the activities do not alter environmental conditions. Reimbursement of such costs is dependent upon HUD approval of the [Imminent Threat grant] application....”*

Section II – Award Information

Period of Performance

The period of performance section has been modified. The NOFA will now say, *“For FY2013, HUD must obligate the funds no later than September 30, 2014, and the grantee’s Implementation Schedule cannot exceed September 30, 2020. Any funds not drawn down as of September 30, 2020 will be cancelled. HUD reserves the right, however, to require an earlier expenditure deadline under an ICDBG grant agreement. If the grantee does not make substantial progress toward meeting its implementation schedule, HUD reserves the right to recapture the funds.”*

Section III – Eligibility Information

Acquisition of Property

The NOFA clarifies that acquisition of housing units not in need of rehabilitation is permitted, but the acquired units must meet Section 8 housing quality standards.

Fire Protection Equipment

The NOFA now says that ICDBG funds may be used to purchase fire protection equipment.

Section IV – Application and Submission Information

Summary of Project(s) Proposed

A one-page summary of the proposed project must now be included in the narrative submitted with the application.

Budget Information

The NOFA now specifically asks applicants to include in their budgets any funds they will be contributing toward administering the grant.

Citizen Participation

Also in the checklist, the NOFA clarifies that it is the tribe that must conduct citizen participation, even if the tribe is not the applicant.

Receipt Date and Time

Information on how to apply for ICDBG (and other HUD grants) may now be found in Appendix D of the General Section. All applications in FY 2013 must be submitted electronically unless a waiver of this requirement has been submitted and approved by the Area ONAP Administrator.

Other Submission Requirements

Applicants should note that Grants.gov has changed its file naming requirements. Valid file names may only include certain characters. If applicants use any other characters when naming attachments, their applications will be rejected.

Section V – Application Review Information

Capacity of the Applicant

In rating factor 1, the NOFA specifies that it is the capacity of key staff (including the day-to-day program manager, consultants, and contractors) that will be measured. In this same section, success will be defined as “meeting or exceeding benchmarks and timetables of past projects.”

Need/Extent of the Problem

In rating factor 2, the NOFA requests information on how and why the project is critical to the cultural, social, and/or economic viability of the community. A viable community is determined by the applicant, but could be defined as one in which tribal members wish to continue to reside or return to live.

Budget

In rating factor 3, the NOFA clarifies that to receive the full nine points, the cost estimates must be reasonable and broken down by line item for each proposed activity.

HUD Policy Priorities

In rating factor 3, the NOFA retains the HUD policy priorities that were included in the FY 2012 ICDBG NOFA. Information about these policy priorities can be found in Appendix B of the FY 2013 General Section.

Land for New Housing

In rating factor 3, the NOFA modifies the criteria used to rate applications for land to support new housing units.

Comprehensiveness and Coordination

The introductory paragraph to rating factor 5 has been amended to the following:

“This factor addresses the extent to which your project planning and proposed implementation reflect a coordinated, community-based process of identifying and addressing needs of your tribal community. If your community has developed a comprehensive plan to improve the viability of the community, the project(s) should fit into that plan. This factor also examines the level of support for the project(s) from tribal organizations and departments that are not providing direct financial support for the project(s).

The application should describe the project’s specific and quantifiable outputs, outcomes, and goals for enhancing community viability. The application should also indicate how it will measure and evaluate how the goals are being met. Applicants that are funded will be required to report on the proposed outcomes and outputs as spelled out in Section VI.C.1.b. of this NOFA.”

As in FY 2012, applicants are no longer required to submit Logic Models with their ICDBG applications.

Coordination Point Breakout

The NOFA will now include, in subfactor 1 of this rating factor, the point breakdown that has been included on the application rating sheet for the past few years.

Outputs, Outcomes, and/or Goals

In subfactor 2 of this rating factor, the NOFA lists examples of a few more outputs and outcomes for the ICDBG program.

VI – Award Administration Information

Award Notices

HUD expects to announce awards in 2013, but the exact date is subject to the availability of HUD appropriations.

Technical Assistance: Contact staff at your Area ONAP for general guidance and technical assistance regarding the NOFA. ONAP staff is not permitted to help you prepare your application. Contact the Grants.gov Support Center for assistance with electronic submission requirements.

Training on ICDBG NOFA Requirements: Training on the requirements of the FY 2013 ICDBG NOFA will be provided as follows:

- HUD will offer a broadcast training for the ICDBG NOFA on January 31, 2013, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM eastern time. Applicants may view the broadcast at HUD's website at <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/multimedia/videos>. The webcast will also be archived at this website.
- The Area ONAP in your jurisdiction will also conduct training specific to the ICDBG NOFA and electronic submission requirements. Contact your Area ONAP for training dates.

Applicants should not rely solely on information in this Guidance because it does not include all applicable NOFA requirements on the subjects addressed. Contact your Area ONAP Grants Management Specialist if you have any questions.



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Fall 2013 (Chicago)

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This course includes a textbook with companion DVD and uses expert guest speakers, interactive exercises and simulation with opportunities for extensive Q & A and peer to peer education to provide participants with the hands-on experience needed to fully understand and perform in the environmental assessment area.

Topics:

NEPA Overview	Procedural Mechanics
HUD Monitoring	Tiering & Programmatic Reviews
Noise	Explosive & Flammable Hazards
Clear Zones	First Steps on EA preparation
Site Contamination	Brownfield Redevelopment
Floodplain & Wetlands	Sustainable Stormwater Mgmt
FEMA Flood Insurance Program	Bio-diversity/Endangered Species
Historic Preservation	Archaeological Resources
Internet Resources for Env Rev	Environmental Justice
Energy	Public Health & Sustainable Communities
New Urbanism	Urban Agriculture
Building Communities	Greening Affordable Housing
Other Applicable Authorities including Coastal Zones, Sole Source Aquifers, Scenic Rivers, Air, & Farmland	

To view agenda & register on line go to:

Los Angeles UCLA <http://www.ph.ucla.edu/erc/osea-2013.htm> by phone 310-206-2304
Chicago UIC by phone 410-955-0423

Class size is limited for on site courses. Contact Eugene Goldfarb at egoldf1@uic.edu for questions on the courses or orders for Course Material CDs (including files for course manual, forms & reference CD). CE credit may be available if requested in advance. Scholarships available – ask for Scholarship Request Form or download it at www.glep.info.

About the Co-Sponsors

The mission of the **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** is to protect human health and the environment. Since 1970, EPA has been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people. EPA's website is www.epa.gov.

The **Great Lakes Center** at the Univ of Illinois School of Public Health (UIC), **Southern California NIOSH Education and Research Center (UCLA)** and John **Hopkins Center for Occupational Safety and Health (JHSPH)** are 3 of 16 NIOSH (Nat'l Inst for Occupational Safety & Hlth) sponsored centers. Each center's principal objective is to prepare professionals in the field of occupational and environmental safety and health in the areas of research, education, service and policy development, but there programs also include elements that reach out to practitioners to educate and promote initiatives important to public health. UIC has worked with USEPA and USDHUD for over 20 years to train over 1,500 local government and Public Housing Authority officials. Participants consistently rate the courses highly and HUD awarded a "Best Practice" to the program in 2000. UCLA joined the effort in 2005 and JHSPH is making their initial effort this year

To contact UIC's GLC call 312-996-6904 or visit <http://publichealthlearning.com/Modules/Conference/Public/>

To contact UCLA's ERC call 310-206-2304 or visit <http://www.ph.ucla.edu/erc/ced.php>

To contact JHSPH's ERC call 410-955-0423 or visit <http://www.jhsph.edu/erc/index.html>

Need Based Scholarships available

Course/Conference/Seminar Scholarship-Discount Request

Instructions: Persons requesting a scholarship for or a discount of the posted course fee shall complete this form and return to the us. The course director and manager will review this request and communicate with the registrar who will inform the requestor of her/his approval status.

Scholarships or discounts requests are only approved when the breakeven number of paying participants has been reached for the course and that the requestor justifies the request with a need based on the community the organization serves or due to limited financial resources of the requestor.

Name of Requestor _____ Organization _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail address _____

Profession/Degree _____

Course Title and Date _____

Reason for the request _____

Community Served by Requestor _____

Signature: _____

Email to glep@glep.info or Fax to: 951-281-4920

GLEP Notes:

HUD's Office of Native American Programs Training Announcement

Environmental Review Training



Overview

Under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.), HUD provides grants, loan guarantees, and technical assistance to Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages for the development and operation of low-income housing in Indian areas. Grants are made to eligible recipients under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program. Grantees receiving funds under this program are responsible for meeting the requirements of NAHASDA and its implementing regulations.

Training

Learn the ins and outs of environmental review! This 3-day training will offer IHBG Grantees the skills to successfully carry out an environmental review. Training will include detailed instructions on meeting the legislative and regulatory requirements of environmental review, assistance in devising standard procedures for conducting and documenting an environmental review, specific instruction for carrying out environmental review responsibilities, levels of environmental review, and key steps in the environmental review process. As we answer questions common to the environmental review process, tribes will be encouraged to share advice and best practices, to help you avoid common pitfalls!

NEW NAIHC Leadership Institute Development Management Certification **NEW**

The National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC), in cooperation with the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP), will offer students the option to take an examination for Leadership Institute credit after completing the ONAP sponsored Environmental Review trainings below. Students who receive a passing score will earn credit under NAIHC's Leadership Institute Development Management Certification Track and will be issued a certificate of completion.

Additional information can be found at the link below. NAIHC charges a \$299 fee to take the examination for credit under the Leadership Institute curriculum. The fee is payable in advance to the NAIHC. Students who pass the examination will receive credit under the NAIHC Leadership Institute Development Management Certification Track and will be issued a certificate of completion.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- For information, please visit <http://registration.firstpic.org> or contact Julie Potter at 202.393.6400 or jpotter@firstpic.org.
- Registration for the ONAP workshop is FREE. The cost for the certification exam is \$299.

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US Environmental Protection Agency
Region 10 Office of Air, Waste, and Toxics
CLEAN AIR ACT (CAA) TRIBAL PROGRAM
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY for FY13

CFDA Number 66.001 –Air Pollution Control Program Support [CAA §105]
CFDA Number 66.034 – Surveys, Studies, Investigations, Demonstrations and Special Purpose Activities Related to the Clean Air Act [CAA §103]
CFDA Number 66.473 – Direct Implementation Tribal Cooperative Agreements [DITCA]

Grant Process Timeline

Funding Announcement..... December 2012
 Proposal to EPA by Monday, **February 4, 2013**
 EPA begins internal review February 2013
 EPA begins negotiating work plans with selected applicants March 2013
 Applicants must submit complete formal application package to EPA no later than Monday,
May 6, 2013

I. Summary of Significant Features of the Tribal Air Application Process

- Initial proposals with a brief air quality problem statement, project description with respect to air quality problem statement, work plans, and detailed budgets are due to EPA by Monday, February 4, 2013. After proposal submission, next steps include internal EPA review, negotiation with selected applicants, and the signed formal and complete application package submitted to EPA after agreement has been reached on the detailed work plans and budgets.
- Proposals may be emailed (preferred) or mailed (return receipt requested) for receipt by EPA no later than Monday, February 4, 2013. A project officer will contact the selected applicants after the internal EPA review period to arrange timelines for revisions and submission of the final application. Those not selected for award this year will be notified by Friday, June 28, 2013. If funding remains after awards are made to selected applicants, EPA may make additional awards to Region 10 tribes.
- Tribes currently receiving funding through CAA §105 will be given priority for ongoing funding *based upon sufficient evidence of an ongoing air pollution concern and tribal performance capacity to address it*. Two-year work plans will be accepted from current recipients with a strong record of achieving outputs and outcomes and otherwise demonstrating sound grants management. Two-year work plans should include work and budget detail separately for each year.
- Tribes or tribal consortia seeking funding to assist EPA with implementation of the CAA rules and regulations, particularly the Federal Air Rules for Reservation (FARR) in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington should *clearly indicate this on their proposals*.

- Tribes or tribal consortia interested in proposing special air quality projects beneficial to multiple tribal populations will receive separate consideration as described in Section IV. B *Additional Funding Opportunities* below.

II. FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

Background and Purpose

It is EPA policy to work with tribes on a government-to-government basis to enhance environmental protection in Indian country and tribal communities. The 1990 Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments included several provisions authorizing tribal governments to develop federally enforceable programs to manage air quality in Indian country. While the Tribal Authority Rule (40 CFR §49.1, et seq.) of 1998 created the mechanism for tribes to establish eligibility for “treatment in the same manner as a state” (TAS) for severable portions of the CAA, EPA continues to have the responsibility to implement the Clean Air Act throughout Indian country. EPA grants financial support and encourages tribes to partner with them to carry out Clean Air Act protections within reservations and tribal communities.

III. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

A. Matching Costs (Maximum Federal Share)

Tribes receiving grant support under either CAA §103 or DITCA authority are not required to contribute toward program costs through either financial or in-kind percentage match or cost sharing. Tribes receiving CAA §105 grants and having demonstrated eligibility to be treated as a state under 40 CFR §49.6 must provide a 5% match with the EPA providing up to 95% of the approved costs of planning, developing, establishing, improving or maintaining the tribal air program. If a tribe has not demonstrated eligibility to be treated in the same manner as a state, the EPA may provide up to 60% of the approved costs as described above, and the tribe must provide a 40% match. (40 CFR §35.575).

B. Eligible Recipients

All federally-recognized tribes and tribal consortia in Region 10 are eligible to receive funding under this grant opportunity. A tribal consortium is defined as a partnership between two or more tribes authorized by the governing bodies of those tribes to apply for and receive assistance under the particular EPA grant program. See 40 CFR, Parts 31 and 35 for the regulations pertaining to tribal consortia.

C. Eligible Activities Under Grant Authorities

CAA §105: Implementation of programs for the prevention and control of air pollution (including both ambient and indoor air pollution) or implementation of national primary and secondary ambient air quality standards, including activities related to planning, developing, establishing, carrying-out, improving, or maintaining such programs are eligible activities under CAA §105.

Direct Implementation Tribal Cooperative Agreements (DITCAs): Assisting EPA with any activity required to implement the Clean Air Act or supporting regulations, such as the Federal Air Rules for Reservations (FARR) is an eligible activity under DITCA authority.

CAA §103: Research, training, investigations, demonstrations, surveys and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, and control of air pollution (including both ambient and indoor air pollution) are eligible activities under CAA §103.

Ineligible Items: Assistance awarded under the authorities described in this funding announcement may not be used to fund the purchase of real property, construction of facilities, mediation activities, or to fund personnel not actively involved in implementing eligible activities.

NOTE: Applicants who receive a grant award under this funding opportunity notice may not use funds from other federal assistance agreements or programs to fund the same activities.

IV. FUNDING PRIORITIES

Applications that meet the requirements set forth in the applicable regulations and guidance will be funded so long as funds are available, with funding priority based on the following factors: (1) severity of air pollution, (2) number and size of sources of air pollution subject to tribal jurisdiction, (3) size and population of the reservation and (4) evidence of ability to contribute to addressing air pollution concern. Tribes currently receiving financial support through CAA §105 will receive priority for ongoing funding *based upon sufficient evidence of an ongoing air pollution concern and tribal capacity to address it.*

Applicants are encouraged to submit, as attachments, evidence or documentation of the severity and sources of air pollution within their jurisdiction for consideration in prioritizing their request for funding. Evidence or documentation could include an air quality assessment, emissions inventory or monitoring analysis, or other evidence of area, point or mobile sources impacting air quality.

The funding available to Region 10 tribes and tribal consortia traditionally has not been sufficient to provide grant resources to all tribes that apply. Region 10 does, however, encourage all proposals to document the demand for funding to address tribal air needs and concerns.

A. Base Funding:

We anticipate that an increasingly large portion of Region 10 grant funding will be awarded to assure base funding for federally recognized Region 10 tribes and consortia having established eligibility under CAA §105, completing existing CAA §103 projects, or with whom DITCAs have been negotiated. For that reason, we expect to have limited funding for special projects and initial air quality assessment needs. Tribes are encouraged to explore the availability of other funding for these activities simultaneously with submitting proposals under this grant opportunity;

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/TRIBAL.NSF/webpage/Tribal+Grants/>

Any proposals that are also being submitted to other funding sources for consideration should have this fact indicated clearly on their face page, including a description of the other funding

opportunity and identification of the extent to which there are similar objectives in both grant applications.

Project Period: EPA may provide funding for up to two years to those existing recipients with a strong record of achieving outputs and outcomes and otherwise demonstrating sound grants management. Applicants should discuss two-year proposals with the EPA project officer before submitting them. Two-year work plans should include work and budget detail separately for each year.

B. Additional Funding Opportunities

As an Alternative to CAA §103 funding, initial air quality assessments may be funded under the EPA Indian General Assistance Program (IGAP).

http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/TRIBAL.NSF/Grants/igap_2012. After such an assessment of the severity and nature of an air pollution concern, CAA §103 funding may then be available to further understand the problems and develop strategies to address them. Special pilot projects may, for example, test the effectiveness of a new approach or strategy in reducing emissions and health risks, or facilitate a conference, a training or a demonstration of a new technology or strategy.

Any federally recognized tribe or tribal consortia may apply, individually or jointly, under this provision. Joint applications may increase the likelihood of funding for applicants with otherwise relatively low funding priority under the four evaluation factors. A special project could also address a specific regional air quality issue or need, such as an air quality conference, an outreach workshop, or a demonstration of a new pollution control strategy or technology.

V. REQUIRED PROPOSAL ELEMENTS

A. Base Funding Proposals:

Proposals should be **received** no later than Monday, **February 4, 2013** and must contain a project description, a work plan, and a budget narrative, as follows.

Project Description

- Narrative description of risks to human health and the environment to be addressed by the applicant, and their relation to any environmental assessment or strategy efforts conducted to date;
- Plans describing how the proposed work will help address environmental and human health risks;
- Description of the linkage between the project and the *EPA Strategic Plan*
<http://www.epa.gov/planandbudget/strategicplan.html>

Work Plan, in accordance with 40 CFR §35.507:

- A detailed description of work plan components to be funded under the agreement;
- Expected environmental outputs and outcomes;
- Estimated work years of full time equivalents (FTEs) and funding amounts for each work plan component;

- Work plan commitments for each work plan component and times frames for their accomplishment;
- A performance evaluation process and reporting schedule in accordance with 40 CFR part 35;
- The roles and responsibilities of the recipient and EPA in carrying out work plan commitments.

Budget Narrative

- A budget narrative, broken out by federal object categories (see Section B-Budget Categories of the Budget Information-Non-Construction Programs, SF 424A) and by each year of the project.

Applicants need to demonstrate a clear linkage between the relevant goals listed in the *EPA Strategic Plan 2011-2015* (<http://www.epa.gov/planandbudget/strategicplan.html>) and the project's expected outputs and outcomes pursuant to EPA Order 5700.7, *Environmental Results under EPA Assistance Agreements*. Outputs and outcomes differ both in their nature, and in how they are measured. Applicants must discuss anticipated outputs and outcomes from proposed work plan objectives.

Expected **outputs** (or deliverables) refer to an environmental activity, effort, and/or associated work product to be produced or provided over a period of time or by a specified date. Outputs may be quantitative or qualitative, but must be measurable during the funding period. Examples of environmental outputs may include: an air quality management plan, an emissions inventory, or air monitoring data.

Expected **outcomes** are the result, effect or consequence that will occur from carrying out an environmental program or activity related to an environmental or programmatic goal or objective. Outcomes may be environmental, behavioral, health-related or programmatic in nature, must be quantitative, and may not necessarily be achievable within an assistance agreement funding period. Examples of outcomes may include: air monitoring data are used to accurately assess community air quality; community members take specific steps to reduce air pollution from their activities, or; air monitoring data shows a trend of decreasing air pollution.

B. Additional Project Proposals:

For projects proposed under *Additional Funding Opportunities* in Section IV.B., EPA initially requests only a summary project description of no more than three pages, including a detailed budget estimate. These project proposals are due by the same deadline as base funding proposals, Monday, February 4, 2013. All abstracts will be reviewed, and applicants with projects having potential for funding will be requested to develop and submit full work plans and budgets for further consideration.

C. Guidance on Proposal Content and Related Requirements:

Listed below are resources that will be helpful in preparing a proposal. These documents provide guidance on EPA requirements for funding proposals in terms of national goals, federal requirements, and work plan development. Additional resources also provide guidance on air quality priorities and tools for grant proposal development and submission.

R10 Grants Guidance –

- R10 Grant Administration Unit guidance
[http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/OMP.NSF/grants/administration/\\$FILE/grants-management-guidance-epa10.pdf](http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/OMP.NSF/grants/administration/$FILE/grants-management-guidance-epa10.pdf)
- R10 Tribal Air – listing of documents including the Menu of Options and templates for work plans / budgets <http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/TRIBAL.NSF/programs/tribalairgrants>

Air quality project and program guidance –

- Final FY13 OAR Program Guidance
<http://nepis.epa.gov/Exe/ZyPDF.cgi?Dockkey=P100F6IX.PDF>

EPA National guidance and Federal requirements –

- EPA Strategic Plan <http://www.epa.gov/planandbudget/strategicplan.html>
- EPA Order 5700.7 *Environmental Results under EPA Assistance Agreement*-
<http://www.epa.gov/ogd/grants/award/5700.7.pdf> ;
- Linking grants / assistance agreements to Environmental results requirements, Use of the logic model, identifying outputs/outcomes. <http://www.epa.gov/ogd/grants/assistance.htm>;
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/ECOCOMM.NSF/webpage/measuring+environmental+results>

Note: While proposals submitted after February 4, 2013 may be considered on a case-by-case basis and as resources allow, submitting a proposal after February 4, 2013 may exclude it from being funded.

VI. MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

All grant applicants must demonstrate sound financial, administrative and programmatic management capability.

For current or previous recipients, this includes:

- timeliness and completeness of reports;
- progress under the current work plan;
- absence of duplicative activities in proposed work plan and budget, and;
- responsible and effective use of funds.

For recipients with past performance issues, the application should include a discussion of the steps the applicant has taken to address issues and correct past administrative, financial or programmatic challenges. If the applicant has not applied for an EPA grant in the past, or past performance merits the review of the applicant's administrative or financial systems, a pre-award review may be required prior to the submission of an application. A project officer will contact the applicant to schedule this review if necessary.

VII. AWARD ADMINISTRATION

Applicants awarded funding must comply with the terms and conditions of the grant award as well as the federal regulations governing the award and the administration of environmental programs for tribes and tribal consortia, found in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 31 and 35, Subpart B (40 CFR §35.500-35.518). EPA highly recommends that grant applicants carefully review and understand all grant award documents prior to accepting the grant. If questions or concerns arise during that review, contact your CAA tribal project office (listed below).

VIII. AGENCY CONTACTS

To ensure your application is considered for funding, please submit proposals and/or abstracts for receipt no later than **Monday, February 4, 2013**, to:

US EPA, Region 10
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, AWT-107
Seattle, WA 98101-1128
Attn: Nancy Helm
helm.nancy@epa.gov

Thank you for your interest in the Clean Air Act Tribal Program. If after reviewing the enclosed application package, you have any questions about the application process or grant requirements, please contact your EPA project officer or:

Alaska	Erin Mader	(206) 553-1254, mader.erin@epa.gov
Idaho	Michael McGown	(208) 378-5764, mcgown.michael@epa.gov
Oregon	Paul Koprowski	(503) 326-6363, koprowski.paul@epa.gov
Washington	Lucita Valiere	(206) 553-8087, valiere.lucita@epa.gov
General	Nancy Helm	(206) 553-6908, helm.nancy@epa.gov

IX. OTHER INFORMATION

Dispute Procedures can be found at 40 CFR §30.63 and 40 CFR §31.70.

Confidentiality Applicants must clearly mark information they consider confidential. EPA will make confidentiality determinations in accordance with Agency regulations found at 40 CFR §2, Subpart B.

Non-Competitive Announcement. This grant opportunity for tribes and tribal consortia is exempt from the EPA Grants Competition Policy (EPA Order 5700.5A1) under Section 6(c)2.

EPA reserves the right to reject any applications, deny funding after an application has been submitted or tentatively awarded, or to not make any awards.

Greener Homes Regional Training

Creating Energy Efficient, Comfortable & Healthy Tribal Homes



As tribal communities invest in greener homes, the need to determine just how well these homes are performing in the areas of low energy consumption, comfort, indoor air quality, and costs becomes more essential. This 2-day workshop will provide strategies to address these questions. Data collection techniques to assess indoor air quality, air infiltration, and efficient energy use will be presented, along with cost analysis of how energy-efficient homes compare to the traditional energy consuming home. The session will also introduce the ultimate performing sustainable house - the net zero energy home as well as key energy cost reduction measures for upgrading inefficient buildings.

Who Should Attend: Housing Directors, Maintenance Supervisors, Project Developers, Housing Construction Specialists, Planners, Housing Commissioners, Architects, Resident Service Advisors, Tribal Energy Specialists, and Tribal Utility Staff.

Course Objectives: The goal of this training session is to provide tools for tribal housing entities to measure and determine how well their green buildings are performing by providing techniques on data monitoring and collecting, and cost benefit analysis. This session will also introduce the grid tied net zero energy home, rainwater gardens and collection, alternative renewable energy technologies, and key energy cost reduction measures for upgrading inefficient buildings.

New! SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION IN INDIAN COUNTRY TRAINING New!

Sustainable Construction training is a 1-day workshop held the day after the Greener Homes Regional Trainings. See below for hotel information. Participants may register for either workshop or both workshops. Sustainable construction offers tribal communities many benefits: control over energy costs, more durable and healthy housing, lighter environmental footprint. But how can you move from an inefficient home to having an overall energy efficient and sustainable housing stock? This workshop uses real-life examples to offer information on benchmarking and modeling, smart retrofit choices, and opportunities to leverage funds with utility companies.

Schedule

December 11-12, 2012 (Greener Homes)
December 13, 2012 (Sustainable Construction)
The Skirvin Hilton
One Park Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73102
1-405-272-3040
Hotel Cut-off Date: November 26, 2012
Group Code: HUD

February 12-13, 2013 (Greener Homes)
February 14, 2013 (Sustainable Construction)
Albuquerque Marriott
2101 Louisiana Boulevard NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110
1-800-228-9290
Hotel Cut-off Date: January 28, 2013
Group Code: HUDFEB2013

Hotel and Travel Arrangements: Attendees are responsible for arranging and covering costs associated with their own travel and lodging. Make arrangements before the indicated cut-off dates to take advantage of group rates.

Registration and Logistical Information: Registration is FREE. Register and receive information for the trainings online at <http://registration.firstpic.org>. For further information please contact Pillar Lee by phone at 202-393-6400 or by email at plee@firstpic.org.

Register Now for HUD's Green Academy Boise Feb 4 – Feb 8

Announcing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Green Academy!

HUD's Green Academy is an exciting pilot initiative that offers green building training to HUD grantees and other affordable housing organizations. HUD's Boise Field Office will host the Green Academy training series on February 4 - 8, 2013. All courses will be held at 720 Park Boulevard, WGI Auditorium, Boise, ID.

Why Attend HUD's Green Academy?

You should attend HUD's Green Academy if you are interested in learning how to:

- Make your affordable housing portfolio more sustainable;
- Reduce operating expenses while preserving water and energy;
- Implement practical, low-cost measures to save energy & money;
- Finance green and energy efficient improvements; and,
- Achieve healthier, safer and more efficient buildings.

Available Training Courses

The following training courses are available through HUD's Green Academy. You may participate in one or multiple courses.

» **Introduction to Green Building for Affordable Housing** (1 ½ days) provides training and knowledge to best incorporate green building energy efficiency practices and applicable regulations and incentives to promote green building practices. **Monday Feb 4, 2013 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM & Tuesday Feb 5, 2013 8:30 AM – noon** [Click for course details](#)

» **Executive Decision Making** (½ day) provides an overview of the executive decisions necessary to optimize green practices in affordable housing and your organization. This course is aimed at senior staff members who are responsible for medium and high-level decision-making about the new construction, rehabilitation, operations, and maintenance of affordable housing units. **Tuesday Feb 5, 2013 1:00 - 4:30 PM** [Click for course details](#)

» **Best Practices for Green Building Operations & Maintenance** (1 day) provides practical information specific to building operations and maintenance including best green building practices and regulatory requirements and how these best practices and requirements can be incorporated into day-to-day work. **Wednesday Feb 6, 2013 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM** [Click for course details](#)

» **Financing Green Building** (1 day) provides a review of applicable regulations and detailed look at internal and external incentives and financing options for projects or policies that integrate best green building practices. **Thursday Feb 7, 2013 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM** [Click for course details](#)

» **Energy Performance Contracting for Small PHAs** (1 day) will enhance participants' understanding of HUD's financing and incentive programs for EPCs for small PHAs, the importance of a comprehensive audit, and review of applicable regulations with the goal of supporting substantial energy savings through cost-effective improvements using energy conservation measurement and validation tools and techniques. **Friday Feb 8, 2013 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM** [Click for course details](#)

Who is eligible?

These courses are open to all HUD grantees and affordable housing organizations. Space is extremely limited and priority is being given to prime and sub-recipients of PIH, CPD or MFH funding. Others will be accommodated as space allows. Please note, do not make travel arrangements until you receive confirmation.

What does it cost?

HUD's Green Academy courses are available at no cost to all eligible participants (travel costs not included).

Register Now!

For more information and to register visit www.sustainable-performance.org/HUDGreenAcad. Questions? Contact us at hud@sustainable-performance.org.

About HUD's Affordable Green Initiative

HUD's Affordable Green Initiative is a new, pilot initiative to provide sustainability and green building tools and resources to HUD grantees and affordable housing organizations. Participants may receive training, organizational accreditation, and/or technical assistance at no cost. Green Technical Assistance requests are being accepted through November 16 at spi.force.com/hud. The initial application period for SPI-HUD Green Organizational Accreditation will be November 7-28, 2012, also at spi.force.com/hud

HUD's Green Academy: Training Courses Offered in Energy Efficiency and Green Building

Announcing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Green Academy! HUD's "Green Academy" is offers green building training to HUD grant recipients and other affordable housing organizations receiving HUD assistance. Registration is now open for training at sites across the country.

Why Attend HUD's Green Academy?

You should attend HUD's Green Academy if you are interested in learning how to:

- Increase the health and energy efficiency of your affordable housing portfolio;
- Reduce operating expenses while preserving water and energy;
- Finance green and energy efficient improvements; and,
- Achieve healthier, safer and more efficient buildings.

Available Training Courses

The following training courses are available through HUD's Green Academy.

You may register for one or multiple courses.

» **Introduction to Energy Efficiency and Green Building for Affordable Housing** (1 ½ days) is an introductory course that provides training and knowledge on how best to incorporate green building energy efficiency practices and applicable regulations and incentives that support energy efficiency and green building practices. This course serves as HUD's "core curriculum" in energy efficiency and green building.

» **Executive Decision Making** (½ day) provides an overview of key decisions tha needed to optimize green practices in your affordable housing organization. This course is aimed at Executive Directors and senior managers who are responsible for decision-making about new construction, rehabilitation, operations, and maintenance of affordable housing.

» **Best Practices for Green Building Operations & Maintenance** (1 day) provides practical information specific to building operations and maintenance including best green building practices and regulatory requirements and how these best practices and requirements can be incorporated into the day-to-day work.

» **Financing Energy Efficiency and Green Building** (1 day) provides a review of applicable regulations and a detailed look at incentives and financing options for projects or policies that integrate energy efficiency and green building practices.

» **Energy Performance Contracting for Small Housing Authorities** (1 day) covers financing and incentives for Energy Performance Contracts for small PHAs, including the importance of a comprehensive energy audit, and a review of applicable regulations , with the goal of supporting substantial energy savings through cost-effective improvements using energy conservation measurement and validation tools and techniques.

Who is eligible? These courses are open to all HUD grantees and affordable housing organizations receiving HUD assistance. Priority will be given to prime and sub-recipients of HUD funding.

What does it cost? HUD's Green Academy courses are available at no cost to all eligible participants (travel costs not included).

Find a training course near you:

To register and for more information, visit: <http://www.sustainable-performance.org/HUDGreenAcad>.

Registration is now open for the following trainings:

Cleveland, OH	<i>October 29- Nov 2, 2012</i>	Columbus, OH	<i>January 14-18, 2013</i>
Detroit, MI	<i>November 5-9, 2012</i>	Houston, TX	<i>January 14-18, 2013</i>
Pittsburgh, PA	<i>December 3-7, 2012</i>	Los Angeles, CA	<i>January 28- Feb 1, 2013</i>
San Francisco, CA	<i>December 4-7, 2012</i>	Albuquerque, NM	<i>January 28- Feb 1, 2013</i>
Salt Lake City, UT	<i>December 10-14, 2012</i>	Boise, ID	<i>February 4-8, 2013</i>
Newark, NJ	<i>December 10-14, 2012</i>	New York, NY	<i>February 4-8, 2013</i>
Hartford, CT	<i>January 14-18, 2013</i>	Bozeman, MT	<i>February 11-15-2013</i>

About HUD's Affordable Green Initiative

HUD's Affordable Green Initiative is a provides energy efficiency and green building tools and resources to HUD grantees and affordable housing organizations receiving HUD assistance. Participants may receive training, technical assistance at no cost.

HUD's Office of Native American Programs Training Announcement

NAHASDA Essentials



Overview

Under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.), HUD provides grants, loan guarantees, and technical assistance to Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages for the development and operation of low-income housing in Indian areas. Grants are made to eligible recipients under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program. Grantees receiving funds under this program are responsible for meeting the requirements of NAHASDA and its implementing regulations.

Training

This exciting and interactive three-day 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 all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics that will be covered include the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration.

This foundational course will acquaint tribal and TDHE staff with the basic requirements of the IHBG Program and opportunities that are available. The training will be presented through case studies, group discussions, team games, lectures and hands-on exercises.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- For additional information, please visit <http://registration.firstpic.org> or contact Julie Potter at 202.393.6400.
- Registration for this workshop is FREE!

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The University of Washington Northwest Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit (PEHSU) and Center for Child Environmental Health Risks Research (CHC) are pleased to announce:

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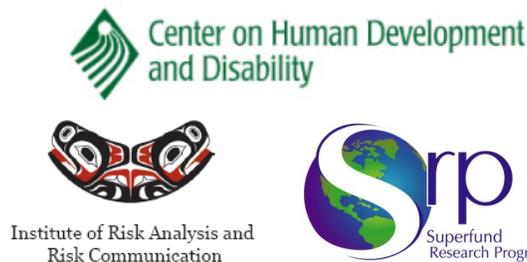
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Tuesday, February 26, 2013
8:30 am—12:30 pm
University of Washington Husky Union Building

Presentations will be announced soon. Registration to open in January.

No registration fee. For more details please visit:
<http://depts.washington.edu/pehsu/conference>

Further questions? Contact chc@uw.edu



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