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Subject: Reminders: Housing Counseling NOFA Training Webinar 2/14/13, & The HUD Housing Counseling NOFA is Open to State Housing Finance Agencies

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Housing Counseling NOFA Training Webinar:

Thursday, February 14, 2013 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Eastern time. This FREE webinar from the HUD Office of Housing Counseling will discuss the FY2013 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD's Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program, and will cover changes to the application process including the new charts, funding methodologies, the rating factors with information on specific charts, as well as submission requirements and other technical issues.

Special Instructions: There is no call-in number for this webinar; all audio will be through your computer speakers. Please keep the e-mail you receive after you register, you will need it to access the webinar. This webinar will be archived and closed captioning is available. Registration required no fee. Registration

Link: <http://www.visualwebcaster.com/event.asp?id=92181>

Questions: E-mail us at: housing.counseling@hud.gov

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Attention State Housing Finance Agencies:

The HUD Housing Counseling NOFA is Open to State Housing Finance Agencies:

On January 24, 2013 HUD's Office of Housing Counseling published its Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). This NOFA is open to State Housing Finance Agencies (SHFA) eligible to receive Federal funding. Interested eligible SHFAs do not need pre approval from HUD to apply for this NOFA. SHFAs can allocate funds to sub-grantees or use the funding for direct provision of housing counseling services.

All applications are completed electronically through www.grants.gov Please reference CFDA #14.169. In order to facilitate your application, HUD has published registration guidance at: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=ohc_120712.pdf To read this NOFA online please visit: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/nofa13/chc

The purpose of housing counseling is to provide counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, both current and prospective, with respect to property maintenance, financial management/ literacy, and such other matters as may be appropriate to assist them in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership. Funding provided by this NOFA is intended to support HUD-approved counseling agencies to respond flexibly to the needs of residents and neighborhoods, and deliver a wide variety of housing counseling services to homebuyers, homeowners, renters, and the homeless.

SHFA's can direct any questions about this NOFA or HUD's Housing Counseling Program by email to: housing.counseling@hud.gov

Visit the HUD Office of Housing Counseling on line at: www.hud.gov/housingcounseling

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aaa@xyz.com

bbb@xyz.com

ccc@xyz.com

You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Email your list to: jerrold.h.mayer@hud.gov

If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 3 other ways to sign up: 1. send them this link: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_listserv they can sign up for the listserv there; or 2: forward them this email; or 3: Visit: <http://www.usa.gov> and subscribe at: <http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php> To unsubscribe - go to: <http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/subscribe/maillinglist> and click on "Housing Counseling" and follow the unsubscribe instructions on that page.

Some useful links for housing counselors:

HUD Housing Counseling: www.hud.gov/housingcounseling

Events & Training Calendar:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC_TRAINING

Contracting Opportunities:

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/cpo

Career Opportunities: <http://www.usajobs.gov>

Grant Opportunities:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fund savail](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fund_savail)

Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster

Foreclosure Assistance:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i_want_to/talk_to_a_housing_counselor

Making Home Affordable: <http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/pages/default.aspx>

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