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Piece by Piece – Area Regional Foreclosure Initiative; New FHA Mortgagee Letter; HUD Published FY 2013 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Policy Requirements and General Section

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Piece by Piece - A Regional Foreclosure Initiative:

August 30, 2012 - Atlanta, GA. "Piece by Piece - A Regional Foreclosure Initiative". Join keynote speaker Maurice Jones, Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for an informative opportunity to learn about local foreclosure initiatives in Georgia. The Agenda will include:

- Foreclosure Response at the Local Level: A moderated panel discussion to include top elected officials from the Atlanta Metro area;
- Responsible Private Sector Investment in High-Foreclosure Neighborhoods: How private-sector investment is helping to repopulate vacant neighborhoods in the region;
- Remarks from Keynote speaker Maurice Jones, Deputy Secretary of HUD, and much more!

Registration required, no fee. Register at: https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07e69lsq98d30d9cc77oseq=

AND

New FHA Mortgagee Letter:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-8000
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HOUSING FEDERAL HOUSING COMMISSIONER
Date: August 17, 2012
To: All FHA-Approved Mortgagees
Mortgagee Letter 12-15
Subject Documentation Requirements for Income from the Social Security Administration (SSA).

Purpose: This Mortgagee Letter (ML) clarifies guidance on documentation requirements for different types of SSA income used for income qualification purposes. This ML is provided in response to requests for clarification on this issue.

To read this mortgagee letter in its entirety please visit: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/hudclips/letters/mortgagee

AND

Attention HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies:

HUD has published its FY 2013 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Policy Requirements and General Section to HUD’s FY2013 NOFAs for Discretionary Programs.

This Notice provides prospective applicants for HUD’s competitive funding with the opportunity to become familiar with the General Section to HUD’s FY2013 Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) for Discretionary Funding (program NOFA), in advance of publication of any individual FY2013 program NOFAs. This General Section and the individual FY2013 program NOFA Sections comprise the entirety of the FY2013 NOFA instructions.

Important note for applicants:

You must be properly registered to compete for HUD grant funds. Register now to avoid delays. To help applicants with electronic application registration and submission, HUD advises applicants to use the help features on the Dun and Bradstreet (D&B), Central Contractor Registration (CCR)/SAM.gov, and Grants.gov websites. These sites all have User Guides and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) which are updated on an ongoing basis. HUD believes that early publication of this General Section is beneficial to prospective applicants by providing advance notice of the Department's
Strategic Plan Goals, Policy Priorities, NOFA threshold requirements and other requirements that are applicable to individual FY2013 program NOFAs.

- All applicants must have a Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. You can obtain a DUNS number at: http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHomePage.do;jsessionid=81407B1F03F2BDB123DD47D19158B75F
- All applicants must have an active registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system. In July 2012, the CCR has been converted to the System for Award Management (SAM) found at www.SAM.gov. The new SAM website incorporates requirements for Central Contractor Registration (CCR).
- In order to apply for a grant, all applicants must register with grants.gov at: http://www.grants.gov/applicants/get_registered.jsp

For further information on HUD’s FY2013 Policy Requirements and General Section, contact the Office of Strategic Planning and Management, Grants Management Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 3156, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number 202-402-4802. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

To read this notice in its entirety, please visit: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/2013gensec