

PROGRAM GUIDANCE

PROGRAM: Indian Housing Block Grant

FOR: All Tribal Government Leaders and Tribally Designated Housing Entities

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TOPIC: Income Limits under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-

Determination Act of 1996

Purpose: This guidance updates Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act Guidances 98-14, 99-04, 2000-04, 2001-09, 2002-04, 2003-05, 2004-03, 2005-02, 2006-04, 2007-02, and 2008-02.

Guidance: HUD Notice PDR-2009-02, issued March 19, 2009, contains the latest published median income limits for the various Indian areas. The income limits published in the notice are in effect for FY 2009, and will remain in effect until superseded. The information in the notice is organized by county. Each county has its own income limit.

Tribes located on large reservations or those that have land in more than one county may have more than one income limit. However, to reduce administrative burden, the tribe or the tribally designated housing entity may set income limits for multi-county reservations at the income limit level of the county with the highest income limits.

If the income limit for a county located within your Indian area is lower than the United States median, you must use the United States median income limits. The United States median family income for FY 2009 is \$64,000. Therefore, the adjusted income limit for family size and 80 percent of median income is as follows:

To calculate the adjusted income limit for families with more than eight members, add 8 percent of the four-person base to the eight-person income limit for each additional person. For example, the nine-person limit equals \$71,700 (67,600 + [51,200 * .08]). All income limits are rounded to the nearest \$50 to reduce administrative burden.

If you have any questions regarding the income limits for your area, please call your local Area Office of Native American Programs. For your information, you may obtain access to HUD Notice PDR-2009-02 through the Internet at www.huduser.org/datasets/il/il09/ in order to obtain the income limits for your area(s).

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