HUD EXTENDING FY17 FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS) NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR POTENTIAL APPLICANTS LOCATED IN PRESIDENTIALLY-DECLARED DISASTER AREAS

September 14, 2017

On August 25, 2017, a major disaster was declared for 39 counties in the state of Texas (FEMA-4332-DR) due to Hurricane Harvey. This declaration affected the counties of Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Hardin, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Lee, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, Refugio, Sabine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Tyler, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Wharton.

On September 7-10, 2017, a major disaster was declared for 42 counties or county equivalents in the U.S Virgin Islands (FEMA-4335-DR), Puerto Rico (FEMA-4336-DR, and the state of Florida (FEMA-4227-DR) due to Hurricane Irma. This declaration affected:

- 1. U.S Virgin Islands
 - St. John (Island) (County-equivalent), St. Thomas (Island) (County-equivalent)
- 2. Puerto Rico
 - Canovanas (Municipio), Culebra (Municipio), Loiza (Municipio), Vieques (Municipio)
- 3. Florida
 - Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, DeSoto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, Volusia

All of the counties or county equivalents listed above make up the "covered disaster area" for the purposes of this FSS application extension.

The General Section of HUD's Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) includes the following provision:

"HUD may also extend the application deadline upon request if there is presidentially-declared disaster in the applicant's area.

...HUD will post a notice on its website that establishes the new, extended deadline for the affected applicants...."

Due to the presidentially-declared disaster (also noted as a major disaster on the FEMA website), and pursuant to the General Section language, HUD is extending the deadline for all potentially eligible applicants to the FY17 Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) NOFA in the presidentially-declared covered disaster areas listed above that are unable to successfully submit an application by September 15, 2017. Appendix D of the FY17 FSS NOFA lists all potentially eligible applicants.

Any PHA that is eligible to apply (i.e. listed in Appendix D of the NOFA), is located in the covered disaster area, and intends to take advantage of this deadline extension must apply by submitting your application through grants.gov no later than 11:59pm., ET, on September 29, 2017. The deadline for application submission may still appear to be September, 15, 2017 on grants.gov.; however, you may still submit your application through grants.gov. after this date if you are eligible for the extension.

For any questions or concerns regarding this notice, please e-mail fss@hud.gov.