#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000



OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG)-Competitive Grant

Program: 1) Corrected Application Package and 2) Training Sessions

#### Dear Tribal Leader:

On August 11, 2020, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the IHBG-Competitive Grant Program. This NOFA announced the availability of approximately \$91 million for competitive grants to eligible Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs). Applicants have until 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on December 10, 2020, to submit applications. For further information about this funding opportunity, please visit <a href="https://www.grants.gov/">https://www.grants.gov/</a> and <a href="https://www.hud.gov/codetalk">https://www.hud.gov/codetalk</a>.

This letter is to inform you of two important updates that have occurred since this NOFA was published: 1) The application package for this NOFA has been corrected, and 2) HUD has scheduled two training sessions on this funding opportunity.

## **Corrected Application Package**

The initial Grants.gov posting of the IHBG-Competitive Grant Program NOFA contained an omission error regarding the Certification for Opportunity Zone (OZ) Preference Points. The application package, via correction, now includes the OZ Certification form for applicants to download. Also, for any applicants that started the application process, the OZ Certification form has been removed from the downloadable instructions zip file. All applicants should download a new application package to ensure you are accessing the most recent, updated materials. For further information and to view the changes, please visit

https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=328626.

#### **Training Sessions**

HUD will host two training sessions via webinar for eligible applicants on the IHBG-Competitive Grant Program NOFA. These sessions are being offered to provide multiple opportunities for potential applicants to attend and ask questions. One session will be held September 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) and the other session will be held September 29<sup>th</sup>-October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:30-5:00 p.m. EDT.

To participate in the IHBG-Competitive Grant Program training webinars, please complete the following steps for each date of each session:

## Session One, September 21st-24th

# Session 1, Day 1, 9/21/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 2273188#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832005

## Session 1, Day 2, 9/22/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 4990790#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at <a href="https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832006">https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832006</a>

## Session 1, Day 3, 9/23/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 1624736#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832007

# Session 1, Day 4, 9/24/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 8086522#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at <a href="https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832008">https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832008</a>

## Session Two, September 29th-October 2nd

### Session 2, Day 1, 9/29/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 6181181#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832010

## Session 2, Day 2, 9/30/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 6317471#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832014.

## Session 2, Day 3, 10/1/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 2472603#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832012

### Session 2, Day 4, 10/2/2020, at 12:30 p.m. EDT:

Step 1: Dial-in using 1-888-251-2949 or 1-215-861-0694 with Access Code 5692144#

Step 2: Join the conference on your computer at https://ems8.intellor.com/login/832013

When accessing the entry links for the training sessions, you will have two options: 1) install the WebEx plug-ins for your preferred browsers or 2) join the webinar using temporary paths. Either option is acceptable.

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) will post NOFA training materials on the Codetalk page, including these details on the training sessions, recorded trainings, Frequently Asked Questions, and more. Interested applicants are encouraged to continue checking Codetalk for updates.

This is an exciting opportunity to fund critical affordable housing projects in your communities. I strongly encourage you to apply, and to take advantage of these training sessions. If you have questions about the NOFA, please contact <a href="mailto:IHBGCompetitiveProgram@hud.gov">IHBGCompetitiveProgram@hud.gov</a> or your ONAP Area Office.

Thank you for your interest in the IHBG-Competitive Grant Program and for your continued partnership and collaboration in serving Indian Country.

Sincerely,

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for Native American Programs