

**PROGRAM:** All Programs

**FOR:** Tribal Government Leaders and Tribally Designated Housing Entities

(TDHE)

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**TOPIC:** Super Notice of Funding Availability for Fiscal Year 2006

**Purpose:** The purpose of this guidance is to notify tribes and tribally designated entities (TDHE) of the funding opportunities available in HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA).

The FY 2006 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Policy Requirements and General Section to the SuperNOFA for HUD's Discretionary Programs were published in the *Federal Register* on January 20, 2006, to give applicants sufficient time to become familiar with and address those provisions that constitute part of almost every application.

On March 8, 2006, the FY 2006 SuperNOFA for HUD's Discretionary Programs was announced. This publication contains 39 funding opportunities using HUD's programs.

**General Section:** The General Requirements Section begins on page 3382 of the *Federal Register* published on January 20, 2006. Following is select information from the General Section to assist you in submitting applications:

#### **GETTING STARTED**

• HUD continues to require that applicants submit their applications electronically via Grants.gov. The Notice of Opportunity to Register Early for Electronic Submission of Grant Applications for HUD Funding Opportunities; Early Registration with Grants.gov, published in the *Federal Register* on December 9, 2005, provides information on the registration process for first-time applicants and renewal instructions for those who were previously registered. The Notice is also located on <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundavail.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundavail.cfm</a>.

• <u>Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number.</u> All applicants seeking funding directly from HUD must obtain a DUNS number and include the number in their Application for Federal Assistance. A copy of the Office of Management and Budget *Federal Register* notice and HUD's regulation implementing the DUNS number requirement can be found on <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/duns.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/duns.cfm</a>.

### **APPLICATIONS**

- <u>Application Packages</u>. Copies of the individual NOFAs and application forms may be downloaded from the grants.gov website at http://www.grants.gov/FIND. If you have difficulty downloading forms, call 1-800-518-GRANTS or send an email to <a href="mailtosupport@grants.gov">support@grants.gov</a>. If you do not have Internet access, contact 1-800-HUD-8929 for paper copies. (See page 3387, paragraph IV.A)
- <u>Application Kits</u>. Application kits are not available this FY. All the information needed to apply is in the SuperNOFA and at <a href="http://www.grants.gov/Apply">http://www.grants.gov/Apply</a>. The NOFAs and forms can be downloaded at this site at Apply Step 1. (See page 3388, paragraph IV.A.1)
- <u>Guidebook</u>. The guidebook, "Connecting with Communities: A User's Guide to HUD Programs and the FY2006 NOFA Process," is available on <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm</a> or by calling 1-800-HUD-8929. (See page 3388, paragraph IV.A.3)
- <u>Technical Assistance</u>. Call 1-800-518-GRANTS for technical support, downloading or submitting an application. (See page 3388, paragraph IV.A.4)
- Webcasts. HUD provides technical assistance and training on its programs announced through the individual NOFAs. The website for locating information regarding HUD's programs can be accessed at <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm</a>. A schedule of the webcasts is located at <a href="http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/index.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/index.cfm</a>. Webcasts that have already occurred can be viewed by accessing the webcast archives at <a href="http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/archives">http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/archives</a>. (Page 3388, section IV.A.5)
- <u>Content and Form of Application Submission</u>. Standard forms for all application submission requirements. (Page 3388, paragraph IV.B)

#### <u>APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION</u>

**Deadline Dates and Times for Electronic Submission.** Applications must be received and validated by Grants.gov no later than 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, on the application submission date. By submitting 48 to 72 hours in advance of the deadline, applicants have time to cure deficiencies in their application and resubmit it in time to meet deadline requirements. (See Page 3389, paragraph IV.C)

Follow these steps for electronic submission of your application (page 3390, IV.F.):

Step 1: Obtain a DUNS number.

<u>Step 2</u>: Register with the Central Contractor Registry (CCR) either by telephone on 888-227-2423 or online at <a href="http://www.ccr.gov">http://www.ccr.gov</a>. It takes 3 days to complete this registration. CCR registration expires on an annual basis and must be updated to remain active.

<u>Step 3</u>: Authorized Organization Representatives (AORs) must register with the Credential Provider to obtain their username and password, via the website <a href="https://apply.grants.gov/OrcRegister">https://apply.grants.gov/OrcRegister</a>

**Step 4**: The AORs are required to register with Grants.gov. They can do this on http://apply.grants.gov/GrantsgovRegister.

Step 5: The E-Business Point of Contact (POC) must approve the designated AOR.

See page 3390, IV.F.2, of the SuperNOFA for important registration tips and paragraph 3 of that same section for "Instructions On How To Submit an Electronic Application to HUD" at http://www.grants.gov/Apply.

Please do not wait until the last minute to complete these steps for registration to avoid any delays in the various systems.

**Paper submission** – If you are not able to submit your application electronically, you may apply for a waiver of this provision if you can show just cause. See page 3393, paragraph IV.F.5 for detailed instructions on how and where to submit a waiver request.

Paper applications without approved waivers or those received after the deadline will not be accepted.

**Eligible Programs:** Following are purposes of each of the programs that are available to tribes and tribal entities in the SuperNOFA and a chart that lists the application due date for each:

Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities (AN/NHIAC) - to assist Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions (AN/NHI) of higher education expand their role and effectiveness in addressing community development needs in their localities, including neighborhood revitalization, housing, and economic development, principally for persons of low and moderate income, consistent with the purposes of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

<u>Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages</u> (<u>ICDBG</u>) - to develop viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes as defined in 24 CFR 1003.4. The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) in HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing administers the program.

<u>Healthy Homes Demonstration</u> - to develop, demonstrate, and promote cost-effective, preventive measures to correct multiple safety and health hazards in the home environment that produce serious diseases and injuries in children of low-income families.

<u>Lead Technical Studies and Healthy Homes Technical Studies</u> - to fund technical studies to improve existing methods for detecting and controlling lead-based paint and other housing-related health and safety hazards, to develop new methods to detect and control these hazards, and to improve our knowledge of lead-based paint and other housing-related health hazards.

# <u>Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant, Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant and</u> Operation Lead Elimination Action Programs (LEAP):

- a. <u>Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant</u> to assist states, Native American tribes and local governments in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned housing for rental or owner-occupants.
- b. <u>Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration</u> has the same purpose as the Lead Hazard Control, but the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration is targeted for urban jurisdictions with the highest lead-based paint hazard control needs.
- c. <u>LEAP</u> to provide grants to private sector and nonprofit organizations to leverage funds for addressing lead hazards in privately owned housing units and eliminating lead poisoning as a major public health threat to young children.

<u>Lead Outreach Program</u> - to provide funding for information dissemination about lead poisoning prevention through outreach, training and education, and certain technical assistance activities.

Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Family and Homeownership – to provide funding to assist Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), tribes and TDHEs, Resident Associations (RA), nonprofit organizations, which include grassroots organizations and faith-based organizations, create programs that will help residents achieve economic self-sufficiency. Applicants must submit proposals that will link residents with services such as job training, and educational opportunities that facilitate economic and housing self-sufficiency. The Homeownership component provides funds to recipients to deliver homeownership training, counseling, and supportive services for residents of public and Indian housing who are participating or have participated in self-sufficiency programs, such as ROSS or other federal, state, or local self-sufficiency programs.

<u>ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities</u> – to provide grants to PHAs, tribes and TDHEs, RAs, and nonprofit organizations (including grassroots, faith-based, and other community-based organizations), for the delivery and coordination of supportive services and other activities designed to help improve the living conditions of public and Indian housing residents who are elderly and/or disabled.

<u>Rural Housing and Economic Development (RHED)</u> – to provide support for innovative housing and economic development activities in rural areas. The funds made available under this program will be awarded competitively through a selection process conducted by HUD in accordance with the HUD Reform Act.

<u>Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP)</u> - to assist Tribal colleges and universities (TCU) to build, expand, renovate, and equip their own facilities.

<u>Youthbuild</u>: to assist disadvantaged young adults between the ages of 16 and 24 years of age in distressed communities to: (1) Complete their high school education; (2) provide on-site construction training experiences that result in the rehabilitation or construction of housing for homeless persons and low- and very low-income families; (3) foster leadership skills; (4) further opportunities for placement in apprenticeship programs; and (5) promote economic self-sufficiency for program participants. The Native American Housing Enhancement Act of 2005, Public Law 109-136, enacted

December 22, 2005, amended Section 457(2) of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12899f(2)), to include Indian tribes, TDHEs or other agencies primarily serving Indians as eligible Youthbuild applicants.

## Eligible applicants and submission dates are as follows:

Eligible Applicant	Program Name	Application Submission Date
Indian Tribes	Healthy Homes Demonstration Program	June 7, 2006
	ICDBG	May 31, 2006
	Lead Outreach Program	June 6, 2006
	Lead Technical Studies and Healthy Homes	
	Technical Studies	June 6, 2006
	ROSS:	
	<ul> <li>Elderly and Persons/Disabilities</li> </ul>	July 13, 2006
	Family-Homeownership	August 8, 2006
	RHED	May 12, 2006
	Youthbuild	June 9, 2006
TDHEs	ROSS:	
	Elderly and Persons/Disabilities	July 13, 2006
	Family-Homeownership	August 8, 2006
	Youthbuild	June 9, 2006
Colleges and	AN/NHIAC	May 19, 2006
Universities	TCUP	May 22, 2206
Resident	ROSS:	
Organizations	<ul> <li>Elderly and Persons/Disabilities</li> </ul>	July 13, 2006
and/or	<ul> <li>Family-Homeownership</li> </ul>	August 8, 2006
Nonprofits	Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program,	
	Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant	
	Program and Operation Lead Elimination Action	
	Program.	June 7, 2006
	Lead Technical Studies and Healthy Homes	
	Technical Studies	June 6, 2006
	Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly	June 2, 2006
	Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons with	
	Disabilities	May 26, 2006
	Youthbuild	June 9, 2006

Refer to both the General Section of the SuperNOFA published on January 20, 2006, for general application requirements and the FY 2006 SuperNOFA for HUD's Discretionary Programs published on March 8, 2006, for information on the individual NOFAs.

For further assistance regarding application requirements, please contact your Area ONAP.