

PROGRAM: Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG)

FOR: Tribal Government Leaders and Tribally Designated Housing Entities

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TOPIC: Minimum Funding

On June 17, 2004, HUD's Interim Rule to extend Minimum Funding under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 was published in the Federal Register (see attachment).

This Interim Rule provides authority for Indian tribes to receive a minimum grant amount under the Need component of the IHBG formula in FY 2004. The minimum funding provision currently in effect in HUD's regulations limits authority for receipt of a minimum grant amount to FY 2003. The reinstatement of the authority for minimum grant amounts in FY 2004 will help the affected tribes avoid hardship.

Should you have questions, please contact Jackie Kruszek of my staff at (303) 675-1606.

Attachment