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Bringing HUD and Wyoming
community resources together
to encourage growth and pro-
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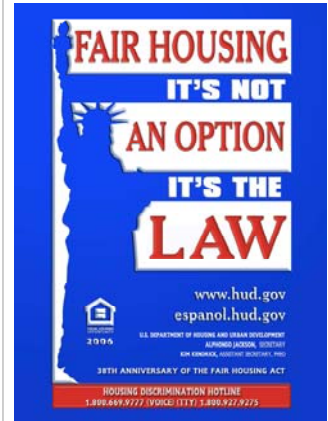
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Casper Field Office Newsletter

National Fair Housing Month

This April marks the 38th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and handicap (disability).

The state of Wyoming does not have a fair housing assistance program (FHAP) or fair housing initiatives program (FHIP) grantee. This lack of fair housing presence could lead to increased housing discrimination. In an ongoing effort to ensure fair housing and equal housing opportunities, our office has been working with the state and local governments for a substantially equivalent law.



Watch our website for upcoming Fair Housing Month events

The lack of fair housing presence in the state could eventually lead to increased housing discrimination

HUD's FY 2006 SuperNOFA



It's that time of year! HUD's Super Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) makes available \$2.2 billion in grants through 39 individual programs for local governments, non-profit and faith-based organizations.

Please keep in mind that you must be registered with Grants.gov before you can apply for grants online. The broadcast schedule is attached. Anyone interested can watch the broadcast by webcast at your computer or

via satellite in our office (must be scheduled in advance). If you miss the webcast and would like to watch it later, the shows are usually archived by the next business day.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Welcome to the first issue of our 2006 newsletter. We are pleased to share some of our accomplishments during the first quarter of the year. During the month of October, our office attended the Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities Mega Conference. Staff provided an informational booth to promote Section 202/811 Supportive Housing for the Elderly and for Persons with Disabilities programs and Fair Housing issues. Also in October, Spring Hill Apartments held a Neighborhood Networks Center grand opening. The learning center will provide low-income residents with access to technology and help promote self-sufficiency. During the month of November, our office hosted a loss mitigation training for counseling agencies who conduct default counseling and an environmental training for



HUD Director, Chris Stearns presents Spring Hill Manager, Carol Linton with a plaque

HUD grant recipients. The training provided a basic understanding of the review process. We provided a presentation on Energy at WCDAs Wyoming Energy Savers Loan Purchase Program. We mailed an Energy toolkit to tribal, state and local governments to increase awareness of energy efficiency. Our office facilitated the city of Sheridan's and the town of Hulett's Housing Strategic Plan. We provided an end-of-year report to inform our community partners and others of our accomplishments. During the month of December our office also hosted a lender insurance training related to mortgagee letter 2005-36 and an appraisal protocol training relating to upcoming changes of Appendix D of Handbook 4150.2 Chg-1. We facilitated annual consultations for the State and city of Cheyenne to provide our participants an overview of their funding and allow our grantees an opportunity to discuss HUD program issues. We continue to provide support and technical assistance to the continuum of care, housing counseling task force, statewide housing association, and the rural task force. Governor Dave Freudenthal and Cheyenne Mayor Jack Spiker proclaimed December 21 as Homeless Memorial Day for the State and city of Cheyenne. Memorial services were held for

persons that have died homeless during the year and to bring special focus on homelessness. Our office participated in the memorial day services. Our Regional Director John Carson announced a grant of over \$243,000 for programs that serve homelessness in Wyoming. He also presented the Cheyenne Housing Authority with a \$32,398 check to assist public housing residents with supportive services.

Homeless Memorial Day



Mayor Spiker reads proclamation



WY HUD Director Chris Stearns, Regional Director John Carson, Dick Loseke and Mike Stanfield, Cheyenne Housing Authority

2006 SuperNOFA Broadcast Schedule

Please note that all times are Mountain Time

| Program | Application Deadline Date | Broadcast Date | Broadcast Time |
|---|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| General Section Changes for 2006 | | March 14, 2006 | 10:30 am - 11:15 am |
| Registering & Applying on Line via Grants.gov | | March 14, 2006 | 11:30 am - 1:30 pm |
| Logic Model Training | | March 16, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Rural Housing & Economic Development | May 12, 2006 | March 21, 2006 | 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Housing Choice Voucher FSS | May 16, 2006 | March 21, 2006 | 11:30 am - 12:30 pm |
| Southwest Border Initiative Colonias Outreach | | March 21, 2006 | 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Fair Housing Initiatives Program | May 17, 2006 | March 22, 2006 | 9:00 am - 12:45 pm |
| Housing Counseling | May 23, 2006 | March 22, 2006 | 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm |
| Continuum of Care | May 25, 2006 | March 28, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Historically Black Colleges and Universities | May 19, 2006 | March 28, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Alaskan Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities | May 19, 2006 | March 28, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Hispanic Serving Institutions Assisting Communities | May 22, 2006 | March 28, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Tribal Colleges and Universities | May 22, 2006 | March 28, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm |
| Assisted Living Conversion Program (ALCP) | June 15, 2006 | March 29, 2006 | 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Indian Community Development Block Grant Program (ICDBG) | May 31, 2006 | March 29, 2006 | 11:00 am - 2:30 pm |
| Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities | May 26, 2006 | March 30, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly | June 2, 2006 | March 30, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |

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|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Community Development Technical Assistance | May 18, 2006 | March 30, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm |
| Lead & Healthy Homes Technical Studies | June 6, 2006 | April 4, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm |
| Lead Outreach Grant Program | June 6, 2006 | April 4, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm |
| Healthy Homes Demonstration Program | June 7, 2006 | April 5, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program | June 7, 2006 | April 5, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program | June 7, 2006 | April 5, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Operation Lead Elimination Action Program (LEAP) | June 7, 2006 | April 5, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am |
| Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinators | June 8, 2006 | April 6, 2006 | 11:30 am - 1:30 pm |
| Service Coordinators in Multifamily Housing | June 16, 2006 | April 6, 2006 | 1:45 am - 3:00 pm |
| ROSS Family Homeownership | August 8, 2006 | April 11, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:00 am |
| ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities | July 13, 2006 | April 11, 2006 | 11:30 am - 1:15 pm |
| Public and Indian Housing Neighborhood Networks | June 23, 2006 | April 11, 2006 | 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm |
| Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) | June 14, 2006 | April 12, 2006 | 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Removal of Regulatory Barriers to Affordable Housing | | April 12, 2006 | 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm |
| Youthbuild | June 9, 2006 | April 18, 2006 | 9:30 am - 11:30 am |
| Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) | June 14, 2006 | April 18, 2006 | 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm |
| Continuum of Care Follow-up Broadcast | May 25, 2006 | April 26, 2006 | 9:00 am - 10:00 am |
| Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives | | April 27, 2006 | 9:00 am - 11:00 am |

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