



United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Inspector General

SPECIAL NOTICE

FOR RECIPIENTS OF HUD GRANTS

Every year the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides millions of dollars to grant recipients for programs and projects aimed at improving the quality of life and expanding housing opportunities in American communities. American taxpayers fund these grants.

HUD grant recipients and their subgrantees are obligated to use federal grant funds properly and for the purpose for which the grant was provided. Misuse of Federal grant funds is fraud, a criminal or civil violation of Federal law that has serious consequences!

**HUD's Office of Inspector General audits
and investigates the use of HUD grant funds
and grant recipient performance.**

If fraud is committed, the grant recipient and/or the subgrantee may be:

- Prosecuted
- Imprisoned
- Face financial penalties
- Required to repay all grant monies received
- Prohibited from receiving future grant and other Federal assistance
- Subject to state and local government penalties

If you are aware of any fraud in HUD grant programs, you should report it to the HUD Office of Inspector General. You can call the HUD Office of Inspector General toll-free at 1-800-347-3735, Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time. You can fax information to (202) 708-4829 or e-mail to Hotline@hudoig.gov. You can write to the HUD Office of Inspector General at:

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