

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000

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Dear Tribal Leader:

I am pleased to announce that on February 19, 2019, the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) reopened the application period for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 on Grants.gov.

Due to the recent Federal Government shutdown, some applicants were unable to receive technical assistance, obtain supporting documentation from other Federal agencies impacted by the Government shutdown or successfully submit an application via Grants.gov. In addition, ONAP is concerned that some applicants were not aware that they could continue to submit their application(s) during the Government shutdown.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has decided to provide an additional 30 days for allowing applicants to submit their ICDBG application(s). Applicants will now have until **March 20, 2019, 11:59:59 EST** to apply and submit their application(s).

Applicants that did not submit an application under the original announcement, will now have the opportunity to do so. For the applicants that have already submitted their application under the original announcement, they may resubmit another application, however; it is not required.

HUD will evaluate the latest or most current application received on <u>Grants.gov</u>, regardless of whether the application was submitted under the original announcement or during this extended application period. The <u>NOFA requirements</u> remain the same as the original announcement; with the exception of the project start and end dates.

If you have questions regarding the ICDBG NOFA, please do not hesitate to contact your ONAP Area Office. Thank you for your interest in the <u>ICDBG program</u>.

Sincerely,

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