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GENERAL NEWS

HUD Publishes Funding Awards in Federal Register

In a *Federal Register* notice today, HUD's Office of the Chief Financial Officer published a list of the entities that received competitive funding awards for the following programs:

- FY 2018/2019 HUD Community Compass Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Program
- FY 2020 HOPWA Permanent Supportive Housing
- FY 2019 Family Self-Sufficiency-Renewal (FSS)
- FY 2019 Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS–SC)
 Grant Program
- FY 2019 Jobs Plus Initiative
- FY 2019/2020 Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages (ICDBG)
- FY 2019 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants
- FY 2019/2020 Housing Counseling Training Grant
- FY 2020 Supplemental Comprehensive Housing Counseling Grant Program
 FY 2020 Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program
- FY 2020 Lead and Healthy Homes Technical Studies Grants Program Pre and Full Application
- FY 2020 Healthy Homes Production Grant Program for Tribal Housing
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 FY 2019/2020 Cooperative Research in Housing Technologies
- FY 2019/2020 Examining Long Term Outcomes Following Exit from HUD Assisted Housing
- FY 2019/2020 Estimating the Prevalence and Probability of Homeless Youth
- FY 2019/2020 Impact of Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) on Children in HUD Assisted Households

The amounts of the awards are included in the list. For further details, please see today's notice.

HUD Publishes Section 3 FAQs

HUD's Office of Field Policy and Management (<u>FPM</u>) has recently published a frequently asked question (<u>FAQs</u>) document regarding <u>Section 3</u>. The 23-page document, dated March 25, 2021, provides guidance for Section 3 funding recipients, subrecipients, contractors, subcontractors, workers, and other stakeholders. The FAQs are divided in the following sections:

- General questions regarding Section 3
- Applicability
- Consistency with other laws
- Recipient responsibilities
- Section 3 certification
- Economic opportunities numerical benchmarks
- Section 3 complaints

As you know, Section 3 requires that recipients of certain types of HUD financial assistance provide training, employment, contracting, and other economic opportunities to low and very low-income individuals—and to businesses that provide economic opportunities to such persons—to the greatest extent possible.

The <u>final rule</u>, published on September 29, 2020, updated and streamlined Section 3 regulations and reporting requirements. Public housing financial assistance recipients are expected to be in compliance with the new regulations and reporting requirements starting with the first full fiscal year after July 1, 2021, and the regulations are applicable to Section 3 projects for which assistance or funds are committed on or after July 1, 2021.

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Updates Tool of Tools

On the <u>Tools</u> page on the Housing Choice Vouchers (<u>HCV</u>) website, HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (<u>PIH</u>) has posted an updated version of the Tool of Tools (<u>ToT</u>) for the HCV program. The tool is current as of March 27, 2021. You can access the tool through HUD's Secure Systems.



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