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CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS NEWS

HUD Publishes 2020 Implementation NOFA

Yesterday on [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov), the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](https://www.hud.gov)) [posted](#) the notice of funding availability ([NOFA](#)) for the fiscal year (FY) 2020 [Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants](#) program. The NOFA makes approximately \$182,000,000 to help communities transform neighborhoods by redeveloping severely distressed public or HUD-assisted housing. The application deadline date is **December 16, 2020**. You'll find a link to the NOFA on [this page](#) at HUD's [Funding Opportunities](#) website.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Approves Discrimination Agreements with Arkansas Housing Providers

In a [press release](#) last Friday, HUD announced that it has approved three [conciliation agreements](#) with the owners and property management company of an apartment complex in Arkansas. The agreements resolve allegations that they discriminated against several residents because of their national origin and retaliated against an employee living on site who sought to inform the residents of their fair housing rights.

The [Fair Housing Act](#) prohibits housing providers from discriminating against tenants because of their national origin. It also prohibits retaliation against those who exercise their rights under the Act, or who help others to do so.

Under the terms of the agreements, the owners and property management company will pay the former residents a total of \$51,000, revise and distribute their nondiscrimination policy, market housing opportunities to immigrant communities, and attend fair housing training.



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