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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Posts Explanation of 2020 Holdback Obligation

In an email yesterday via HUD's Financial Management Division (FMD) mailing list, HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) announced that it has posted a document explaining calendar year 2020/2021 final obligations from holdback reserve for appeals and corrections.

According to the document, in FFY 2020, the operating fund program was appropriated two-year funding, meaning funds appropriated in 2020 may be obligated over a two-year period (2020 and 2021). For final calendar year end 2020 obligations, the operating fund program obligated all funds to PHA projects based on each project's 2020 interim final eligibility, except for a small reserve. In addition to the reserve, some 2020 deobligations and repayments were also available for distribution. The funds will be available in eLOCCS. This total amount of funds, minus any corrections, were distributed based on each projects' final eligibility using the final proration of 112.1087 percent. The amount of funds distributed was \$5,718,098.

You'll find a link to the document on the 2020 operating fund grant processing page at the operating fund website.

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 2020/2021 HUD Community Compass Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Program
- FY 2020 Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)
- FY 2020 Veterans Housing Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program (VHRMP)
- FY 2018/2019/2020 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP): Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI)
- FY 2018/2019/2020 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP): Fair Housing Organizations Initiative (FHOI)
- FY 2018/2019/2020 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP): Private Enforcement Initiative (PEI)
- FY 2020 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP): COVID-19 Education and Outreach Initiative (COVID) Grant Program
- FY 2020 Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program
- FY 2020 Healthy Homes and Weatherization Cooperation Demonstration
- FY 2019 Moving to Work Demonstration Program
- FY 2020 HBCU Cooperative Research in Housing Technologies Program
- FY 2020 Social and Economic Impacts of the CDBG and HOME Programs
- FY 2020 Alternative Methods for Calculating Fair Market Rents (FMRs) in Rental Markets with Rapidly Rising Rents Program
- FY 2020 Choice Neighborhoods Planning, Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Initiative FY 2020 Family Self-Sufficiency Renewal Program and FY 2020 Family Self-Sufficiency
- Renewal Program Supplemental • FY 2015 Tribal Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (TRIBAL HUD VASH) Grant Program FY 2020 Indian Community Development Block Grant- Imminent Threat CARES (ICDBG—
- FY 2020 Indian Community Development Block Grant- Imminent Threat (ICDBG-IT)
- FY 2019 Emergency Safety and Security RD 1, RD 2, and RD 3
- FY 2020 Emergency Disaster Grant
- FY 2020 Emergency Receivership FY 2020 Emergency Safety and Security
- FY 2021 Emergency Disaster Grant

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

HUD Launches Initiative to Address Homelessness Crises

In a press release yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has launched "House America," a federal initiative in which HUD and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (<u>USICH</u>) invite mayors, county leaders, tribal nation leaders, and governors to use the investments provided through the American Rescue Plan to address the crisis of homelessness through a *Housing First* approach.

Through the American Rescue Plan, communities have significant resources, such as the 70,000 emergency housing vouchers and the \$5 billion in HOME Investment Partnership grants, to help more Americans obtain the safety of a stable home. Communities also have resources through the CARES Act, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, and other state, tribal, and local resources to rehouse homeless people and create additional dedicated housing units to address homelessness. House America provides communities with the focus, resolve, and technical know-how needed to deploy these resources to maximize impact.

To learn more about the initiative, to join, or for a list of participants, click here.



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