FISCAL YEAR 2002 FUNDING AWARDS FOR SELF-HELP HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS

Recipient	State	Amount
Habitat for Humanity International Housing Assistance Council PPEP Microbusiness and Housing Development Corporation Community Frameworks ACORN Housing Corporation	GA	\$10,809,000.00 6,861,000.00 2,356,000.00 1,623,000.00 351,000.00
Total		22,000,000.00

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5086-N-01]

Robert L. Woodson, Jr., Award: Changes to the Award Program

AGENCY: Office of General Counsel, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In 2004, HUD established the Robert L. Woodson, Jr., Award (Woodson Award) as an annual award program of America's Affordable Communities Initiative. The award program was established to recognize state and local governments for excellence in providing affordable housing through regulatory reduction. Through this notice, HUD announces its intention to alter the award process in order to provide more flexibility in the nomination and selection of award recipients. HUD intends to eliminate time restrictions for submitting applications that nominate jurisdictions for exhibiting outstanding leadership in reducing regulatory burden. This notice would eliminate the current time restrictions for submitting applications for the Woodson Award. This notice

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

would allow applications to be

submitted at any time during the

calendar year, and allow HUD to

flexibility should help encourage

to affordable housing.

announce Woodson Award winners at

creativity in reducing regulatory barriers

any time during the year. This added

Camille E. Acevedo, Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 10282, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone (202) 708–1793 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-

free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 2003, HUD established America's Affordable Communities Initiative (AACI) as a departmentwide effort designed to help communities across America identify and overcome regulatory barriers that impede the availability of affordable housing, as well as help HUD identify its own regulations that present barriers to the development of affordable housing. The Robert L. Woodson, Jr., Award, named in memory and in honor of HUD's late Chief of Staff, is designed to recognize state and local governments that aggressively work toward and have had success in the reduction of regulatory barriers to affordable housing.

The award program currently provides for nominations of jurisdictions to be submitted on an annual basis in March, with nominations reviewed and jurisdictions selected for awards generally by June of each year. In the first 2 years of the award program, one state agency and 17 communities from across the country received the Woodson Award.

As HUD reaches out to communities throughout the year, through AACI or other HUD initiatives, it strives to encourage efforts and activities to bring affordable housing within reach of all Americans. HUD has decided that it would be better to honor communities for being successful in regulatory reform at various times of the year, rather than only annually. HUD believes that a more frequent focus on states and communities that have successfully increased the supply of affordable housing through regulatory reform will better promote awareness of the effectiveness of this policy priority in creating affordable housing opportunities. The change may also help maintain an active national discussion of this important subject. In addition, the more immediate dissemination of the successful steps taken by the honorees to expand affordable housing may also be of immediate assistance to other communities exploring similar ideas.

This notice announces that, commencing with Fiscal Year 2007 (which begins October 1, 2006), state and local governments can be nominated for and receive a Woodson Award at any point during the year. In addition to the benefits that HUD sees through this change in the award program, HUD also believes that it will reduce the burden on those who desire to nominate state and local governments by eliminating the time constraints imposed by a set application date. This change will enable jurisdictions to apply for an award when they are best prepared to do so.

Additional information about the Robert L. Woodson, Jr., Award program, and the recipients honored to date, and America's Affordable Communities Initiative can be found at http://www.hud.gov/affordablecommunities.

Dated: August 21, 2006.

A. Bryant Applegate,

Senior Counsel and Director of America's Affordable Communities Initiative. [FR Doc. E6–14249 Filed 8–28–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4210–67–P

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4950-FA-33]

Announcement of Funding Awards for the Housing Opportunities for People Who Are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol Program; Fiscal Year 2005

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Housing Opportunities for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol Program. This announcement contains the names of the awardees and

the amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robyn Raysor, Deputy Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7262, Washington, DC 20410–7000; telephone (202) 708–4300 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- and speech-impaired persons may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service toll-free at (800) 877–8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, call Community Connections at (800) 998–9999 or visit the HUD Web site at http://www.hud.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Fiscal Year 2005 Housing Opportunities for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol Program was designed to provide supportive housing assistance

to chronically homeless persons who have been living on the streets for at least three-hundred sixty-five (365) days over the last five (5) years and have a long term addiction to alcohol, otherwise known as serial inebriates. Clients served by these funds will have been living on the streets at the time of initial contact and will have no history of living in transitional or permanent housing over the last five years.

The competition was announced in the SuperNOFA published March 21, 2005 (70 FR 14135). The NOFA allowed for approximately \$10,000,000 to award approximately ten two-year grants that averaged approximately \$1,000,000 per award. Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of selection criteria contained in that Notice.

For the Fiscal Year 2005 competition, a total of \$10,000,000 was awarded to 12 program providers nationwide.

Public Law 108–7, approved February 20, 2003 (111 Stat. 494) authorizes this two-year demonstration program. The Supportive Housing Program is authorized by Title IV, Subtitle C, of the Stewart B. McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (McKinney-Vento Act), 42 U.S.C. 11381.

In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the names of grantees and amounts of awards in Appendix A to this document.

Dated: August 3, 2006.

Nelson R. Bregon,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

APPENDIX A—FISCAL YEAR 2005 FUNDING AWARDS FOR THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS AND ADDICTED TO ALCOHOL PROGRAM

Recipient	State	Amount
South East Tennessee Human Resource Agency	TN	\$993,436.00
South East Tennessee Human Resource Agency Community Mental Health Council, Inc	IL	248,595.00
Contra Costa Health Services	CA	990,307.00
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless	CO	990,495.00
Emergency Services and Homeless Coalition of Jacksonville	FL	894,150.00
Common Ground Community, Inc	NY	803,628.00
Project Renewal, Inc	NY	633,416.00
San Francisco Department of Public Health	CA	982,033.00
ECH Lifebuilders	CA	992,339.00
Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency	CA	701,840.00
City of Santa Monica	CA	712,489.00
Pathways to Housing DC	DC	991,933.00
Total		9,934,661.00

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket Nos. FR-4900-FA-15 and FR-4951-FA-03]

Announcement of Funding Awards for the Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program; Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a

competition for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP). This announcement contains the names of the awardees and the amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clifford Taffet, Deputy Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7162, Washington, DC 20410–7000; telephone (202) 708–2684 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- and speech-impaired persons may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, call Community Connections at 1–800–998–9999 or visit the HUD Web site at http://www.hud.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005 Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program competitions were designed to facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities through self-help housing where the homebuyer would contribute a significant amount of sweat-equity toward the construction of the new dwelling. Applicants were required to be a national or regional nonprofit organization or consortium.

The competitions were announced in the SuperNOFAs published May 14, 2004 (69 FR 27359) for the Fiscal Year 2004 competition and September 8, 2005 (70 FR 53490) for the Fiscal Year 2005 competition. The NOFA allowed for approximately \$26,840,700 for SHOP for the Fiscal Year 2004 competition and approximately \$24,800,000 for SHOP for the Fiscal Year 2005 competition. Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of