# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Office of Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development

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## Notice of Funding Availability Youthbuild Program—Fiscal Year 1996

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Funding Availability for the FY 1996 Youthbuild Competition.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) announces the expected availability of up to \$37.5 million of Fiscal Year 1996 program funds for grant assistance under the Youthbuild Program established by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. These funds will be awarded competitively. Only implementation grants will be funded. The body of this NOFA contains information on the following: the purpose of the NOFA, information regarding eligibility, available funding, the application process and selection criteria.

The Congress has not yet enacted a FY 1996 appropriations for HUD. However, HUD is publishing this notice in order to give potential applicants adequate time to prepare applications. The amount of funds announced in this NOFA is an estimate of the amount that may be enacted in 1996. HUD is not bound by the estimate set forth in this notice. The estimated amount may be adjusted downward based on the enacted 1996 appropriation.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION: An original and one copy of the completed application for grant funds must be received in HUD Headquarters prior to 12 midnight EST on May 6, 1996. Applicants may include another copy of their application on 3.5" computer diskettte. Applications will be accepted at the following address: Processing and Control Unit, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7255, Washington, DC 20410. ATTN: Youthbuild. At close of business on the deadline date. applications will be received at either room 7255 or the South Lobby of the Department of Housing and Urban Development at the above address.

Applications which are mailed prior to May 6, 1996, but not received until after the deadline will be deemed to have been received by the date if postmarked by the United States Postal Service by no later than May 3, 1996. Express delivery items received after May 6, 1996 will be deemed to have been received by the deadline upon submission of documentary evidence that they were placed in transit with the express delivery service by no later than May 5, 1996. Applications may not be submitted by facsimile (FAX).

FOR A COPY OF THE APPLICATION PACKAGE, **CONTACT:** Requests for application packages, including an instructional video, for the current competition can be made by calling Community Connections at 1-800-998-9999 or through the internet at gopher:// amcom.aspensys.com:75/11/funding. You may also contact the HUD Processing and Control Unit, Office of Community Planning and Development, U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7255, Washington, DC 20410. Requests for application packages may be faxed to HUD at (202) 708-3363. (This is not a toll-free number.) Requests for application packages must refer to "Youthbuild" document FR-4005-N-01. The Youthbuild application package contains appropriate instructions, forms and required certifications for completing a grant request. Requests for Youthbuild application packages for the current competition should be made immediately.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: All procedural and substantive questions should be directed to the Office of Economic Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7136, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington DC 20410; telephone (202) 708–2035 or TDD (202) 708–1455 for the hearing impaired. These are not toll-free numbers.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collection requirements contained in this Notice have been approved under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520) by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and have been assigned OMB control number 2506–0142, expiration date August 31, 1996.

## I. Program Purpose

The purposes of the Youthbuild program are (1) to provide economically disadvantaged young adults with opportunities to obtain education, employment skills and meaningful onsite work experience as a service to their communities and a means to achieve self-sufficiency; (2) to foster the development of leadership skills and commitment to community; and (3) to expand the supply of permanent

affordable housing for homeless and low- and very low-income persons by providing planning grants for program design and implementation grants for carrying out a Youthbuild Program.

## A. Authority

The Youthbuild program is authorized under subtitle D of title IV of the National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8011) (the Act), as added by section 164 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102–550). Implementing regulations are found in the Final Rule published in the Federal Register dated February 21, 1995 and in CFR 24 part 585.

## B. Funding Availability

This Notice announces the availability of approximately \$37.5 million in program funds. Five percent of the funds may be set aside for emergency purposes. In addition, \$1.87 million (five percent of the appropriation) is planned for technical assistance consistent with section 458(d) of the Act.

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#### C. Objectives

The Youthbuild program is designed to help disadvantaged young adults who have dropped out of high school to 1) obtain the education and employment skills necessary to achieve economic self-sufficiency and 2) develop leadership skills and a commitment to community development in low-income communities. Grant funds can be used to fund eligible educational and support services and activities, as defined by the Act, composed of basic skills instruction and remedial education, employment skills and leadership development, and counseling and other support services.

Another important objective of the Youthbuild program is to expand the supply of permanent affordable housing for homeless persons and members of low- and very low-income families. Providing disadvantaged young adults with meaningful on-site training experiences in housing construction and rehabilitation enables them to provide a service to their communities by helping

to meet the housing needs of homeless and low-income families.

An additional purpose of the program is to give, to the greatest extent feasible, and consistent with existing Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, job training, employment, contracting and other economic opportunities to low-income persons and business concerns. To that purpose, section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) is applicable to Youthbuild implementation grant recipients.

# II. Overview of Youthbuild Implementation Grants

HUD will award Youthbuild implementation grants to eligible applicants for the purpose of carrying out Youthbuild programs in accordance with subtitle D of title IV of the National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA). Applications will be selected in a competition in accordance with the grant selection process described in section V. below.

### B. Maximum Awards

Under the competitions established by this NOFA, the maximum award for a Youthbuild implementation grant is \$700,000. HUD reserves the right to determine the maximum or minimum of any Youthbuild award per application, project, program or budget line item. No amendments will be made to awards under this competition that will increase previously approved grant amounts.

#### C. Locational Considerations

Each application for an implementation grant may only include activities to carry out one Youthbuild program, i.e., to start a new Youthbuild program or to fund new classes of Youthbuild participants for an existing program. The same applicant organization may submit more than one application in the current competition if the proposed program's participant recruitment and housing areas are in different jurisdictions. HUD will not approve multiple applications for implementation grants in the same jurisdiction unless HUD determines that the jurisdiction is sufficiently large to justify approval of more than one application.

### D. Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants are public or private nonprofit agencies, state or local housing agencies or authorities, state or local units of general local government, Indian tribes or any other entity eligible to provide education and employment training under other Federal employment training programs, as further defined in 24 CFR 585.4.

## E. Youthbuild Program Components

Youthbuild programs receiving assistance under this NOFA must contain the three components described in items (1), (2) and (4) below. Other activities described in item (3) are optional.

- (1) Educational and job training services.
- (2) Leadership training, counseling and other support activities.
- (3) Special activities such as entrepreneurial training, drivers' education, internships, programs for those with learning disabilities, and inhouse staff training. (Optional)
- (4) On-site training through actual housing rehabilitation and/or construction work. Each program must be structured so that 50 percent of each participant's time is spent in on-site training.

Refer to 24 CFR 585.3 for a detailed description of program components.

### F. Eligible Participants

Participants in a Youthbuild program must be very low-income high school dropouts between the ages of 16 and 24, inclusive, at the time of enrollment. Up to 25 percent of participants may be above very low-income or high school graduates (or equivalent), but must have educational needs that justify their participation in the program.

# G. Eligible Activities

Activities used to conduct a Youthbuild implementation program may include:

- (a) Work and activities associated with the acquisition, rehabilitation, or construction of the housing and related facilities to be used in the program;
- (b) Relocation payments and other assistance required to comply with 24 CFR 585.308:
- (c) Costs for the ongoing training and technical assistance needs of the applicant that are related to carrying out a Youthbuild program;
- (d) Education, job training, counseling, employment and leadership development services and activities;
- (e) Wages, benefits and need-based stipends for participants; and
- (f) Administrative costs. Youthbuild funds for these costs may not exceed 15 percent of the total amount of Youthbuild assistance.

Refer to 24 CFR 585.305 for further details on eligible implementation activities.

### H. Resources From Other Federal, State, Local or Private Entities

Applicants are encouraged to use existing housing and homeless assistance programs administered by HUD or other Federal, State, local or private housing programs as part of their Youthbuild programs. Use of other Federal, State, local or private funds available for vocational, adult and bilingual education programs or for job training under the JTPA Act and the Family Support Act of 1988 is also encouraged. The selection process described in this NOFA provides for applicants to receive points where grant applications contain commitments from Federal, State, local, or private sources to provide resources to carry out Youthbuild activities.

# I. Environmental Procedures and Standards

Applicants are encouraged to select hazard-free and problem-free properties for their Youthbuild projects. Environmental procedures apply to HUD approval of implementation grants when the applicant proposes to use Youthbuild funds to cover any costs for the lease, acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of real property proposed for housing project development. Environmental procedures do not apply to HUD approval of implementation applications when applicants propose to use their Youthbuild funds solely to cover any costs for classroom and/or onthe-job construction training and support services.

For those applicants that propose to use their Youthbuild funds to cover any costs of the lease, acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of real property, the applicant shall submit all relevant environmental information in its application to support HUD decision-making in accordance with the environmental procedures and standards set forth in 24 CFR 585.307.

### J. Grant Period

Funds awarded for an implementation grant should be used within 30 months of the effective date of the implementation grant agreement.

# III. Selection Criteria for Youthbuild Applications

HUD will review each application and assign points in accordance with the selection criteria described in this section. Each application will be assigned up to 100 points. In addition, applications may receive up to 5 bonus points for AmeriCorps participation (see section F below), and 10 housing priority points (see section G below).

## A. Capability

The qualifications and experience of the applicant and participating parties. (Maximum Points: 25) The capability of the applicant and participating parties to implement a successful young adult education and training program within a reasonable time period and in an a cost-effective manner as demonstrated through past performance. In assigning points for this criterion, HUD will consider evidence in the application that demonstrates:

- (a) Experience in implementing a comprehensive, integrated, multi-disciplinary program with the following components:
- (1) Young adult education and training programs, including programs for low-income persons from economically distressed neighborhoods.
- (2) Young adult leadership development training and activities for young adults.
- (3) Young adult on-site training in housing construction or rehabilitation for the production of sound and affordable housing for the homeless and low-income families.
- (b) The extent to which the applicant has been successful in past education, training and employment programs and activities.
- (c) The extent to which the applicant has demonstrated past ability to leverage other resources to cover administrative, educational and training costs and has demonstrated ability to implemented creative and innovative cost-saving measures.
- (d) The extent of prior program quality and cost-effectiveness.

#### B. Need

The need for the proposed program, as determined by the degree of distress of the community. (Maximum Points: 20) In assigning points for this criterion, HUD will consider the relative degree of distress of the jurisdiction(s) from which participants will be recruited and in which the housing will be constructed or rehabilitated. HUD will calculate the degree of need of the jurisdiction(s) in which the program will be located from generally available data. In addition, HUD will consider information provided by the applicant on the distress of target areas within the jurisdiction(s).

## C. Program Quality and Feasibility

Comprehensiveness and effectiveness of the proposed Youthbuild program. (Maximum Points: 35) HUD will consider the overall quality and feasibility of the proposed program as measured by the principles and goals of

the proposed program, whether proposed program activities meet the overall objectives of the Youthbuild program, whether the proposed program activities will be accomplished within a reasonable time and in a cost effective manner, whether the proposed program activities are comprehensive and integrated, and the potential success of the proposed program. Areas to be considered in the evaluation of the overall quality of the proposed program are:

- (1) Outreach, recruitment and selection activities: A description of the proposed (a) outreach, recruitment (including specific steps to be taken to attract potential eligible participants who are unlikely to be aware of this program because of race, ethnicity, sex, or disability) and selection strategies; (b) special outreach efforts to recruit eligible young women and young women with dependent children; and (c) recruitment arrangements made with public agencies, courts, homeless shelters, local school systems, community-based organizations, etc.;
- (2) Educational and job training services and activities: A description of the educational component of the program, including: (a) the types of instructional services to be provided; (b) the number and qualifications of program instructors and ratio of instructors to participants; (c) realistic scheduling plan for classroom and onthe-job training; and (d) reasonable payments of participant wages, stipends, and incentives.
- (3) Leadership development and support services: A description of the leadership development, counseling, and referral services to be offered to participants, including: (a) leadership development strategies and activities and plans to build group cohesion and peer support; and (b) the type of counseling and support services and/or need-based stipends to be provided.
- (4) Coordination and Cost-efficiency: A description of how the Youthbuild program will benefit the maximum number of young adults by making use of other public and private resources, programs, services and facilities to sufficiently reduce the cost burden to the Youthbuild program in the following areas: (a) educational, job training, child care, social services, counseling and referral services; (b) onsite housing construction/rehabilitation training; (c) homeless and housing programs; (d) apprenticeship programs of local building trade unions; and (e) administrative, overhead and salary costs.
- (5) On-site training: A description of (a) the housing construction or

rehabilitation activities to be undertaken by participants at the site(s) to be used for the on-site training component of the program, (b) the qualifications and number of on-site supervisors; and (c) the amounts, reasonable wages and/or stipends to be paid to participants during on-site work.

(6) Job placement assistance: A description of the applicant's strategies and procedures for (a) participant placement in meaningful employment, enrollment in post-secondary education programs, job development, starting business enterprises, or other opportunities leading to economic independence; and (b) follow-up assistance and support activities to program graduates.

(7) Program evaluation: A description of a comprehensive evaluation plan that is designed to measure the success of the program.

(8) Innovativeness and creativity.

## D. Program Resources

Commitment of resources obtained from other Federal, State, local and private sources. (Maximum Points: 10) In assigning points for this criterion, HUD will consider the level of non-housing resources obtained for cash or in-kind contributions to cover the following kinds of areas:

- (1) Social services (i.e, counseling and training):
- (2) Use of existing vocational, adult, bilingual educational courses;
- (3) Donation of labor, resource personnel, supplies, materials, classroom and/or meeting space;
  - (4) other commitments.

# E. Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community

Up to 10 points will be assigned if the proposed Youthbuild program's participant recruitment and/or housing areas are, in whole or in part, in a Federally designated urban or rural Empowerment Zone, Enterprise Community, or Supplemental Empowerment Zone, as selected by HUD. Application must receive a combined score of at least 50 points for selection criteria (A), (B) and (C) under Section III in order be eligible for Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community points.

### F. AmeriCorps Participation Bonus

Up to 5 points may be assigned to Youthbuild applicants who provide evidence of application and/or selection as an AmeriCorps program sponsor. Application must receive a combined score of at least 50 points for selection criteria (A), (B) and (C) under Section III in order be eligible for Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community points.

## G. Housing Program Priority Points

Ten (10) priority points will be assigned to all applications that contain evidence of housing resources from other Federal, State, local or private sources are available to cover the costs, in full, for the following housing activities for the proposed Youthbuild program: acquisition, architectural and engineering fees, construction, and rehabilitation. Implementation applications proposing to use Youthbuild grant funds, in whole or in part, for any one of the housing activities listed above will not be entitled to the ten priority points. Housing resources will not be used in evaluation of program resources criterion.

## IV. Application Requirements

Applicants must complete and submit applications for Youthbuild grants in accordance with instructions contained in the FY 1996 Youthbuild application package. The application package will request information in sufficient detail for HUD to determine whether the proposed activities are feasible and meet all the requirements of applicable statutes and regulations. The application package requires a description of the applicant's and participating parties' experiences in young adult and housing programs, a description of the proposed Youthbuild program, a description of other public and private resources to be used for the program, including other housing resources, a schedule for the program, budgets, identification of housing sites(s), and demonstration of site access. The application package also contains certifications that the applicant will comply with fair housing and civil rights requirements, program regulations, regulations in 24 CFR part 135 with regard to economic opportunities for low-income persons and business concerns, and other Federal requirements. Applicants must also certify that the proposed activities are consistent with the HUD-approved Consolidated Plan in accordance with 24 CFR part 91. Applicants should refer to the Youthbuild application package for further instructions.

#### V. Selection process

In order to afford applicants every opportunity to submit a ratable application, while at the same time ensuring the fairness and integrity of the selection process, HUD is adopting the following application submission and selection procedures:

## A. Initial Screening

During the period immediately following the application deadline, HUD will screen each application to determine eligibility. Applications will be rejected if they (1) Are submitted by ineligible applicants, (2) do not use the current FY 96 application package, (3) propose a program for which significant activities are ineligible, (4) there are any outstanding findings of noncompliance with civil rights statutes, Executive Orders, or regulations, as a result of formal administrative proceedings, or the Secretary has issued a charge against the applicant under the Fair Housing Act, unless the applicant is operating under a conciliation or compliance agreement designed to correct the areas of noncompliance, and (5) are submitted by applicants that have major unresolved audit or monitoring findings.

# B. Rating and Ranking

Each eligible application will be rated based upon the criteria described in section III of this NOFA, with a maximum of 115 points assigned. Using the scores assigned, the applications will be placed in rank order. Applications will be preliminarily selected for funding in accordance with their rank order. To promote geographic diversity, HUD reserves the right to select lower-rated applications if necessary or to limit the amount or number of awards per application, project, program, jurisdiction or State.

If two or more applications have the same score and there are insufficient funds to fund all of them, the application(s) with the highest score for the Program Quality and Feasibility criterion shall be selected for funding. If a tie still remains, the application(s) with the highest score for the Capability criterion shall be selected. In the event of a procedural error that, when corrected, would result in selection of an otherwise eligible applicant during the funding round under this NOFA, HUD may select that application when sufficient funds become available.

# C. Clarification of Application Information

In accordance with the provisions of 24 CFR part 4, subpart B, HUD may contact an applicant to seek clarification of an item in the application, or to request additional or missing information, but the clarification or the request for additional or missing information shall not relate to items that would improve the substantive quality of the application pertinent to the funding decision. For the Youthbuild

program, these clarification items include, but are not limited to: (a) missing or unsigned program certifications; (b) budget errors or inconsistencies; (c) failure to identify the address or equivalent property site identification for the housing project(s) to be used for the on-site training; (d) incomplete documentation to show that the applicant has obtained access to the housing site(s) if the applicant does not own it; (e) failure to structure the proposed program so that fifty percent of the time spent by program participants is devoted to educational and support services and activities and fifty percent to on-site training; (f) failure to target the outreach and recruitment efforts to disadvantaged young adults between the ages of 16 and 24 years old; and (g) failure to designate the housing to be produced in conjunction with the program for the use of the homeless and low- and very low-income families. If an applicant fails to provide the clarification as requested, the application may be rejected.

# D. Potential Environmental Disqualification

HUD reserves the right to disqualify an implementation application where one or more environmental thresholds are exceeded if it is determined that the environmental review cannot be conducted and satisfactorily completed by HUD within the HUD review period. (See 24 CFR 585.307.)

## E. Reduction in Requested Grant Amount

As provided in Section B above, HUD may approve an application for an amount lower than the amount requested by the applicant. In addition, HUD will adjust line items in the proposed grant budget within the amount requested if it determines that:

(1) The amount requested for one or more eligible activities is not supported in the application or is unreasonably related to the service or activity to be carried out;

(2) An activity proposed for funding does not qualify as an eligible activity and can be separated in the budget;

(3) The amount requested exceeds the total cost limitation established for an implementation grant; or

(4) Insufficient funds remain for the entire request.

# F. Notification of Approval or Disapproval

HUD will notify the selected applicants and the applicants that have not been selected. HUD's notification to a selected applicant of the amount of the grant award, based on the approved application, will constitute a preliminary approval by HUD, subject to HUD and recipient execution of the grant agreement to initiate program activities.

#### VI. Other Matters

# A. Environmental Impact.

A Finding of No Significant Impact with respect to the environment has been made in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 50, which implement section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332). The Finding is available for public inspection between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. weekdays in the Office of the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 10276, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410.

# B. Family Executive Order

The General Counsel, as the Designated Official under Executive Order 12606, The Family, has determined that some of the policies contained in this NOFA will have a potential significant impact on the formation, maintenance, and general well-being of the family. The expected expansion of the housing supply for homeless and low- and very low-income persons and the provision of opportunities to economically disadvantaged young adults to enhance their education and employment skills will provide a positive impact on the family maintenance and general wellbeing. However, since the impact on the family is beneficial and the program involves very little HUD discretion, no further review is necessary.

#### C. Federalism Executive Order

The General Counsel, as the Designated Official under section 6(a) of the Executive Order 12612, Federalism, has determined that the policies contained in this NOFA do not have "Federalism" implications because they do not have substantial direct effects on the States (including their political subdivisions), or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

## D. Section 102 of the HUD Reform Act— Accountability in the Provision of HUD Assistance

# 1. Documentation and Public Access

HUD will ensure that documentation and other information regarding each application submitted pursuant to this NOFA are sufficient to indicate the basis upon which assistance was provided or

denied. This material, including any letters of support, will be made available for public inspection for a five year period beginning not less than thirty days after the award for assistance. Material will be made available in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 15. In addition, HUD will include the recipients of assistance pursuant to this NOFA in its Federal Register notice of all recipients of HUD assistance awarded on a competitive basis. (See 24 CFR part 12, subpart B, and the notice published in the Federal Register on January 16, 1992 (57 FR 1942) for further information on these requirements.)

#### 2. Disclosures

HUD will make available to the public for five years all applicant disclosure reports (form HUD-2880) submitted in connection with this NOFA. Update reports (also form HUD-2880) will be made available along with the applicants disclosure reports, but in no case for a period of less than three years. All reports—both applicant disclosures and updates—will be made available in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (95 U.S.C. 552) and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 15. (See 24 CFR part 12, subpart C, and the notice published in the Federal Register on January 16, 1992 (57 FR 1942) for further information on disclosure requirements.)

## E. Section 103 of the HUD Reform Act— Prohibition of Advance Disclosures of Funding Decisions

HUD's regulation implementing section 103 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, codified as 24 CFR part 4, applies to the funding competition announced today. The requirements of the rule continue to apply until the announcement of the selection of successful applicants. HUD employees involved in the review of applications and in the making of funding decisions are limited by part 4 from providing advance information to any person (other than an authorized employee of HUD) concerning funding decisions, or from otherwise giving any applicant an unfair competitive advantage. Persons who apply for assistance in this competition should confine their inquiries to the subject areas permitted under 24 CFR part 4.

Applicants or employees who have ethics related questions should contact the HUD Office of Ethics (202) 708–

3815. (This is not a toll-free number.) For HUD employees who have specific program questions, such as whether particular subject matter can be discussed with persons outside HUD, the employee should contact the appropriate Regional or Field Office Counsel, or Headquarters counsel for the program to which the question pertains.

# F. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities

The use of funds awarded under this NOFA is subject to the disclosure requirements and prohibitions of section 319 of the Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1990 (31 U.S.C. 1352) and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 87. These authorities prohibit recipients of Federal contracts, grants, or loans from using appropriated funds for lobbying the Executive or Legislative Branches of the Federal Government in connection with a specific contract, grant, or loan. The prohibition also covers the awarding of contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or loans unless the recipient has made an acceptable certification regarding lobbying. Under 24 CFR part 87 and 7 CFR part 1944, Subpart G, applicants, recipients, and subrecipients of assistance exceeding \$100,000 must certify that no Federal funds have been or will be spent on lobbying activities in connection with the assistance.

Indian Housing Authorities (IHAs) established by an Indian tribe as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but IHAs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

Required Reporting. A certification is required at the time application for funds is made that Federally appropriated funds are not being or have not been used in violation of section 319 and the disclosure will be made of payments for lobbying with other than federally appropriated funds. Also, there is a standard disclosure form, SF-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", which must be use to disclose lobbying with other than Federally appropriated funds at the time of application.

### G. Drug-Free Workplace

The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. 701) requires grantees of Federal agencies to certify that they will provide drug-free workplaces. Each potential recipient under this NOFA must certify that it will comply with the drug-free workplace requirements of the

Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 24, subpart F.

H. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance program title and number is 14.243.

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Andrew Cuomo,

Assistant Secretary for Community Planning

and Development.

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