

date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20410.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1305. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, an information collection package with respect to a proposed Notice of Funding Availability for the Hispanic-serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program (HSIAC). HUD seeks to implement this initiative as soon as possible.

HSIAC is a new program which provides funds to Hispanic-serving institutions of higher education to undertake Community Development Block Grant Program-eligible activities in order to expand their role and effectiveness in helping their communities with neighborhood revitalization, housing, and economic development. In fiscal year, approximately 14 grants will be awarded.

Submission of the information required under this information collection is mandatory in order to

compete for and receive the benefits of the program. All materials submitted are subject to the Freedom of Information Act and can be disclosed upon request. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid control number. The OMB Control number, when assigned, will be announced by a separate notice in the **Federal Register**.

The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35):

(1) Title of the information collection proposal:

Notice of Funding Availability and Application Kit—Hispanic-serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program.

(2) Summary of the information collection:

Each applicant for HSIAC would be required to submit current information, as listed below:

1. Transmittal letter signed by the Chief Executive of the institution.
2. HUD Form 424 (Application for Assistance) and OMB Standard 424B (Non-Construction Assurances).
3. One page abstract.
4. Statement of Work.
5. Narrative statement addressing the factors for award.
6. HUD Form 50070, Drug-free Workplace Certification.
7. HUD Form 50071, Certification of Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions.
8. SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (if applicable).

9. HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure Form.

10. Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

11. EZ/EC Certification (if applicable).

12. Financial management and audit information.

13. Budget for the project.

(3) Description of the need for the information and its proposed use:

To appropriately determine which Hispanic-serving Institutions of Higher Education should be awarded HSIAC grants, certain information is necessary about the applicant's plan, budget, past and future capabilities, and the institutional commitment to the program.

(4) Description of the likely respondents, including the estimated number of likely respondents, and proposed frequency of response to the collection of information:

Respondents will be Hispanic-serving Institutions of Higher Education, as defined in Title V of the 1998 Amendments to the Higher Education Act of 1965 (Pub. L. 105-244). Grantees will also be expected to prepare and submit semi-annual monitoring reports and a final report.

The estimated number of respondents submitting applications is 60. The proposed frequency of the response to the collection of information for applications is one-time because the application need be submitted only once per grant cycle. The estimated number of respondents to the monitoring requirements is 14.

(5) Estimate of the total reporting and recordkeeping burden that will result from the collection of information:

	Number of respondents	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Total hours
Application .....	60	60	80	4,800
Semi-annual reports .....	14	28	16	448
Final reports .....	14	14	16	224
Recordkeeping .....	14	14	16	224
				5,696

**Authority:** Sec. 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

**Wayne Eddins,**

*Reports Management Reports.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4364-N-04]

**Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program; Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 1998**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this notice announces the funding decisions made by the Department under the Fiscal Year 1998 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. The notice announces the selection of 20 applications under the 1998 HOPWA national competition which was announced under the Super Notice for Targeted Housing and Homeless

Assistance Programs and published in the **Federal Register** on April 30, 1998 (63 FR 23988). The notice contains the names of award winners and the amounts of the awards.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David Vos, Director, Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7212, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-1934. The TTY number for the hearing impaired is (202) 708-2565. (These are not toll-free numbers). Information on HOPWA, community development and consolidated planning, and other HUD programs may also be obtained from the HUD Home Page on the World Wide Web. HOPWA program information is found at <http://www.hud.gov/cpd/hopwahom.html>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the competition was to award grants for housing assistance and supportive services under two categories of assistance: (1) Grants for special projects of national significance which, due to their innovative nature or their potential for replication, are likely to serve as effective models in addressing the needs of low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families; and (2) grants for projects which are part of long-term comprehensive strategies for providing housing and related services for low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families in areas that do not receive HOPWA formula allocations.

The HOPWA assistance made available in this announcement is authorized by the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901), as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) and was appropriated by the HUD Appropriations Act for 1998. The competition was announced in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) published in the **Federal Register** on April 30, 1998 (63 FR 23988). Each application was reviewed and rated on the basis of selection criteria contained in that Notice. A total of \$20,150,000 was awarded to the 20 highest rated applications in their ranked order.

**Public Benefit**

The award of HOPWA funds to these 20 projects will significantly contribute to HUD's mission in supporting projects that provide safe, decent and affordable housing for persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families who are at risk of homelessness. The projects proposed to use HOPWA funds to support the provision of housing assistance to an

estimated 3,570 persons living with HIV/AIDS and an additional 2,536 family members who reside with the HOPWA recipient. In addition, an estimated 10,706 persons with HIV/AIDS are expected to benefit from some form of supportive service or housing information referral service that will help enable the client to maintain housing and avoid homelessness. The recipients of this assistance are expected to be very-low income or low-income households. These 20 applicants also documented that the Federal funds awarded in this competition, \$20.15 million, will leverage an additional \$31,429,047 in other funds and non-cash resources, including the contribution of 200,738 hours of volunteer time in support of these projects valued at \$10/hour. The leveraged resources will expand the HOPWA assistance being awarded by 156 percent.

A total of \$20.15 million was awarded to these 20 organizations to serve clients in the eighteen listed States.

**FY 1998 HOPWA Competitive Grants**

*Chart 1. Awards for Projects That Are Part of Long Term Comprehensive Strategies (Non-Formula Areas)*

**Maryland**

The Maryland Department of Health and Mental Health AIDS Administration will receive a \$1,100,000 grant. The Maryland Rural HOPWA Initiative will combine rent subsidies, case management, drug assistance and other supportive services in a comprehensive program to prevent homelessness and encourage independent living. The program will serve 152 people with HIV/AIDS and 123 family members in the 12 more rural counties in the eastern and western parts of the State. The program will reach an additional 330 people through supportive services.

**New Hampshire**

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Community Support and Long Term Care, will receive a \$875,000 grant. The Department will work with Merrimack Valley AIDS Project and Harbor Homes to provide case management, housing, and access to affordable housing to people living with HIV/AIDS. An estimated 186 persons with AIDS and 70 family members will receive housing assistance and access to services.

**Vermont**

The State of Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will receive a \$1,106,362 grant to continue to provide supportive services as well as affordable

housing and intensive case management in underserved and rural areas to very low-income people living with HIV/AIDS and their families. The grant will provide support for long-term rental assistance for 45 households, and short-term emergency assistance to alleviate financial crises related to housing and utilities with linkage to 15 service sponsors.

**West Virginia**

The State of West Virginia Office of Economic Opportunity will receive a \$863,273 grant. This grant will serve approximately 250 people with AIDS and 300 family members through housing and social services by creating a state-wide continuum of care collective for low-income people with HIV/AIDS. The program will help maintain persons in their own homes or offer sponsored housing options. An additional 400 people with AIDS will receive outreach social services such as housing contacts and assistance, transportation, HIV/AIDS education and hospice care.

*Chart 2. Awards for Special Projects of National Significance*

**Alabama**

The AIDS Task Force of Alabama, Inc., will receive a \$1,118,150 grant. The Alabama Rural AIDS Project will identify people living with AIDS in rural parts of the state and link them with medical care, supportive services, and/or housing. The program will employ seven community outreach workers, provide rental assistance and develop 10 housing units in 35 rural counties. The grant will serve 600 people with housing assistance and help 1,400 others connect to outreach services.

**Florida**

The City of Key West Community Development Office will receive a \$1,150,000 grant. In partnership with AIDS Help, Inc., the City of Key West will provide continued direct rental assistance to people with AIDS in Monroe County. The program will maximize independent living with a continuum of care and encourages maximization of self-determination through a re-employment program. The re-employment program is planned in conjunction with a state emergency insurance program that pays for medical assistance for those successful in returning to full employment. This grant will serve nearly 900 people including individuals and family members.

## Georgia

The City of Savannah Bureau of Public Development will receive a \$1,087,000 grant. Project House Call will support 500 persons with AIDS with housing assistance and intervention with house visits and interventions. As a component of the Savannah AIDS Continuum of Care, this program focuses on prevention of homelessness and preservation of housing by enabling people living with HIV/AIDS to receive home-based healthcare to connect clients to supportive services at a central clinic. Project services include legal services, education outreach, rehabilitation of homes, education sessions, transportation, nutritional services, medical assessment and care, discharge planning from medical facilities, and housing information.

## Illinois

Cornerstone Services, Inc., in Joliet will receive a \$615,967 grant to continue to provide independent living options with supportive services for people with AIDS and mental illness. Sixteen persons with AIDS will receive permanent housing support. Services will include intense case management, counseling and mental health services, substance abuse treatment, daily living skills training, employment services, crisis intervention, family reunification, education, and socialization and support groups.

## Kentucky

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Community Development will receive a \$1,144,060 grant to provide operational support for Rainbow Apartments, a transitional living facility, and Solomon House, a community residence with 24-hour care services. The program targets the traditionally underserved in the 63-county central/southeast Kentucky including those just released from jail, alcohol, or drug recovery programs, people at the end stages of AIDS and those who require recuperation time.

## Louisiana

UNITY for the Homeless in New Orleans will receive a \$1,132,412 grant. This multi-service umbrella organization will integrate homeless people living with HIV/AIDS into its continuum of care for the homeless population. UNITY provides housing and services to 3,465 people with AIDS and 550 of their family members. Supportive services provided include emergency shelter services, transitional rental assistance, permanent housing,

drop-in respite care, case management, education and outreach.

## Maryland

The Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development will receive a \$1,150,000 grant to operate a Back-to-Basics program. The program will help meet the basic needs of housing, food and clothing, of 100 families who otherwise would have traditionally fallen out of services. The program will help connect these families to necessary health-care and services. The families will gain the opportunity to build skills and resources to become and remain independent with linkages to other supportive assistance.

## Massachusetts

The AIDS Housing Corporation in Boston will receive a \$1,143,261 grant to expand its successful SHARE 2000 program. The Supported Housing Agencies Resource Exchange is a cooperative partnership which assists organizations with area needs assessments and evaluations. The collaboration also supports nonprofits with: direct care relief; staff development; donations assistance; staff training; and a HomeStart program to facilitate moving homeless persons into permanent housing. Approximately 2,000 persons will benefit through this effort.

## New Hampshire

Harbor Homes, Inc., in Nashua will receive a \$347,548 grant to serve 90 people with HIV/AIDS who may be multiply diagnosed or homeless, and 30 family members with short-term housing assistance to prevent homelessness and long-term access to social services to maintain housing stability. The program will seek to reach an additional 110 people to connect them to housing and related services.

## New Mexico

The Santa Fe Community Housing Trust will receive a \$1,080,000 grant to serve the Santa Fe metropolitan area and address emerging issues for treating HIV/AIDS as a chronic disability. The program aims to serve 142 people affected by HIV/AIDS through re-entry housing strategies, including creating homeownership through an innovative financing and direct subsidy plan, supporting housing stabilization and credit counseling for clients, and addressing workplace issues and job training needs.

## New York

Bailey House, Inc., will receive a \$979,834 grant to provide a comprehensive technical assistance project to support 75 New York City AIDS housing service providers. The program will include support for projects that operate housing placement assistance and transitional and permanent housing programs with evaluation and needs assessments, assistance in establishing vocational education programs, set up of an collaborative operations resource center and joint purchasing coalition, use of a consumers training institute to develop life skills training and the use of stipends to meet capacity needs of organizations.

## Pennsylvania

Calcutta House will receive a \$1,055,500 grant to fill the existing gap between independent living and personal care facilities in Philadelphia's AIDS Housing Continuum through the development of Calcutta Community Home. This facility will house eight people at a time with on-site services and 24-hour support. An estimated 32 people will be assisted with housing and related services with the goal of achieving self-sufficiency.

## Texas

Harris County Community Development Agency will receive a \$901,109 grant to serve the metropolitan Houston area through Project Open Doors. The project will address a gap in services for youth who are living with HIV/AIDS. The program will provide outreach, centralized information and services integration, individualized housing plans, services, and assessments and counseling to allow for a transition to less intensive support and family unification for pregnant young women affected by HIV/AIDS and fighting homelessness.

## Washington, DC

The Whitman-Walker Clinic, Inc., will receive a \$1,080,000 grant. The grant will support the Bridge Back Program, designed to expand and enhance the existing continuum of housing and supportive services program for multiple diagnosed individuals living with HIV/AIDS. The project will seek to expand and optimize housing slots, housing resources, and related social services and 34 persons will receive direct housing assistance and 275 will benefit from outreach services.

## Washington State

The Spokane County Community Services Department will receive a

\$1,150,000 grant. This grant will help fund the Washington Regionally Assisted Collaborative Housing program to meet the housing and related supportive service needs of people living with HIV/AIDS in the 20 counties of eastern and central Washington. The program will serve approximately 350 people as well as 133 family members. An additional 25 people will receive outreach social services including emergency, short-term and long-term rental assistance.

#### Wisconsin

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin will receive a \$1,070,524 grant for a state-wide rent assistance program. This grant will serve 152 Wisconsin residents living with HIV and AIDS who have severe, chronic, alcohol or drug addiction and/or mental health diagnoses that lead to problems with maintaining permanent, stable housing. Services will include drug and alcohol counseling services, mental health treatment, transportation, job skills training, food and nutrition assistance and intensive housing counseling.

Total for all 20 grants—\$20,150,000

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.241.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

#### Cardell Cooper,

*Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Proclaiming Certain Lands as Reservation for the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians in Washington

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of reservation proclamation.

**SUMMARY:** The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs proclaimed approximately 16.80 acres as an addition to the reservation of the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians on December 11, 1998. This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Larry E. Scrivner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, MS-4510/MIB/Code 220, 1849 C Street,

NW, Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 208-7737.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proclamation was issued according to the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 986; 25 U.S.C. 467), for the tract of land described below. The land was proclaimed to be an addition to and part of the reservation of the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians for the exclusive use of Indians on that reservation who are entitled to reside at the reservation by enrollment or tribal membership.

#### Squaxin Island Indian Reservation

*Mason County, Washington*

That portion of the North half (N $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 19, Township 19 North, Range 3 West, Willamette Meridian, Mason County, Washington, described as follows:

*Beginning* at a point on the North line of said Section 19, South 86° 10' 54" East 961.58 feet from the North quarter corner of said Section; thence South 01° 00' 54" West 672.59 feet; thence North 86° 46' 47" West 160.98 feet; thence South 00° 52' 57" East 506 feet, more or less, to the Northerly line of the Burlington Northern Railway Company right-of-way; thence Easterly, along said right-of-way line, 529 feet, more or less, to an existing concrete monument which marks the Westerly right-of-way line of SR 101 (State Highway); thence North 06° 47' 40" East, along said right-of-way line 132.45 feet; thence South 83° 12' 20" East, along said right-of-way line 60.00 feet; thence North 06° 47' 40" East, along said right-of-way line 976.54 feet to the North line of said Section 19; thence North 86° 10' 54" West, along said North line 554.13 feet to the *Point of beginning*.

*Together with* that portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said Section 19, lying Southerly of said Burlington Northern right-of-way and Westerly of said SR 101 right-of-way.

*Together with all mineral rights.* Containing 16.80 acres, more or less.

Title to the land described above is conveyed subject to any valid existing easements for public roads and highways, for public utilities and for railroads and pipelines and any other rights-of-way or reservations of record.

Dated: December 11, 1998.

#### Kevin Gover,

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-99-030-1020]

#### Notice of Availability

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management, Grand Staircase—Escalante National Monument, has completed an Environmental Analysis (EA)/Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) of the Proposed Plan Amendment to the Escalante Management Framework Plan. The Proposed Amendment closes certain allotments to grazing and reduces the carrying capacity of other allotments.

**DATES:** The protest period for this Proposed Plan Amendment will commence with the date of publication of this notice and last for 30 days. Protests must be received on or before February 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Protests must be addressed to the Director (480), Bureau of Land Management, Resource Planning Team, Box 10, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036 within 30 days after the date of publication of this Notice of Availability.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gregg Christensen, Natural Resource Specialist, P. O. Box 225, Escalante, Utah 84726, (435) 826-4291. Copies of the proposed Plan Amendment are available for review at the Escalante Resource Area.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This action is announced pursuant to Section 202(a) of the Federal Land Management Act (1976) and 43 CFR part 1610. This Proposed Amendment is subject to protests by any party who has participated in the planning process. Protest must be specific and contain the following information:

- The name, mailing address, phone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
- A statement of the part(s) of the proposed amendment being protested and citing pages, paragraphs, maps, etc., of the proposed Plan Amendment.
- A copy of all documents addressing the issue(s) submitted by the protestor during the planning process or a reference to the date when the protestor discussed the issue(s) for the record.

—A concise statement as to why the protestor believes the BLM State Director is incorrect.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

#### G. William Lamb,

*Utah State Director.*

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