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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4579-FA-23]

### Announcement of Funding Award for Fiscal Year 2003 to the Housing Assistance Council

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

**ACTION:** Announcement of funding award.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this document notifies the public of an award for Fiscal Year 2003 to the Housing Assistance Council.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Tewey, Director, Budget, Contracts and Program Control Division, Office of Policy Development and Research, Room 8230, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410-6000, telephone (202) 708-1796, extension 4098. To provide service for persons who are hearing-or-speech-impaired, this number may be reached via TTY by dialing the Federal Information Relay Service on 1-800-877-TTY, 1-800-877-8339, or (202) 708-1455. (Telephone numbers other than "800" TTY numbers are not toll free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Consolidated Appropriations Resolution of 2003 (Pub. L. 108-7) earmarked \$3,278,550 for a grant to the Housing Assistance Council. HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research administers this grant.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance for these grants is 14.225

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 details concerning this award, as follows:

*Housing Assistance Council, Moises Loza, Executive Director, 1025 Vermont*

*Avenue, NW., Suite 606, Washington, DC 20005, Grant #H-21354CA, "Rural Housing Research and Technical Assistance" Amount \$3,278,550, Date Awarded 10/01/02.*

Dated: November 6, 2003.

**Darlene F. Williams,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy Development and Research.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4579-FA-22]

### Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 2003, Research and Technology Unsolicited Proposals

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

**ACTION:** Announcement 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 document notifies the public of funding awards for Fiscal Year 2003 unsolicited research. The purpose of this document is to announce the names and addresses of the organizations that have been awarded cooperative agreements based on their submission and HUD's acceptance of unsolicited proposals for research funding.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Tewey, Director, Budget, Contracts and Program Control Division, Office of Policy Development and Research, Room 8230, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410-6000, telephone (202) 708-1796, extension 4098. To provide service for persons who are hearing-or-speech-impaired, this number may be reached via TTY by dialing the Federal Information Relay Service on 1-800-877-TTY, 1-800-877-8339, or 202-708-1455. (Telephone number, other than "800" TTY numbers are not toll free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Consolidated Appropriations Resolution of 2003 (Pub. L. 108-7) provided \$46,694,500 in Research and Technology funds for contracts, grants and necessary expenses of programs and studies relating to housing and urban problems. Included in this amount are \$39,243,250 for core Research and Technology and \$7,451,250 in funding for the Partnership for Advancing Technology in Housing (PATH) program. The majority of HUD's

Research and Technology funding is awarded through competitive solicitations. The unsolicited proposal is another method used by HUD to fund research and development. An unsolicited proposal is submitted to support an idea, method or approach by individuals and organizations solely on the submitter's initiative. Funding of unsolicited proposals is considered a noncompetitive action. An unsolicited proposal demonstrates a unique and innovative concept or a unique capability of the submitter, offers a concept or service not otherwise available to the Government and does not resemble the substance of a pending competitive action. All unsolicited proposals and the resulting award of cooperative agreements include substantial cost sharing on the part of the submitter/awardee.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance for this program is 14.506.

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 details concerning the recipients of funding awards, as follows:

#### List of FY2003 Awardees for Cooperatives Agreements

*Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics (COPAFS), Edward Sparr, Executive Director, 1249 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314, Grant Number: H-21400SG, Project Title: "Seminar on Redefining Metro/Non-Metro", Total Amount \$10,000, Date Awarded: 9/23/03*

*MDRC, Jesus M. Amadeo, Senior Vice President, 16 East 34th Street, New York, NY 10016, Grant Number H-21042CA, Project Title: "Jobs-Plus Community Revitalization Initiative for Public Housing Families", Total Amount \$1,100,000, Date Awarded: 5/31/03*

*NAHB Research Center, Michael Luzier, President, 400 Prince Georges Boulevard, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774, Grant Number: H-21396CA, Project Title: "Tool Base Services 2003, The Portal to Technical Information for the Home Building Industry", Total Amount \$905,000, Date Awarded 5/29/03*

*National Building Museum, G. Martin Moeller, Senior Vice President for Special Projects, 401 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001, Grant Number: H-21399CA, Project Title: "National Building Museum Affordable Housing Design Program", Total Amount: \$238,700, Date Awarded: 9/23/03*

*New Mexico State University*, Daniel J. Dwyer, Vice Provost for Research, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88003, Grant Number: H-21397CA, Project Title: "Colonias Economic Development Policy", Total Amount: \$179,000, Date Awarded: 5/12/03

*Touchstone Research Laboratory, Ltd.* William Casto, Chief Financial Officer, The Millennium Centre, Triadelphia, WV 26059, Grant Number: H-21363CA, Project Title: "Housing Applications for New Carbon Foam Technology Materials", Total Amount: \$187,763, Date Awarded: 11/14/02

*University of Colorado*, Dorothy Yates, Director, Sponsored Programs, Institute of Public Policy, Graduate School of Public Affairs, 1445 Market Street, Denver, CO 80202, Grant Number: H-21401CA, Project Title: "Employer-Assisted Employee Housing Pilot Program Study in Nicaragua", Total Amount: \$20,000, Date Awarded: 7/25/03

*University of Maryland at College Park*, Monique Anderson, Contract Manager, Office of Research Administration and Advancement, 3112 Lee Building, College Park, MD 20742, Grant H-21403CA, Project Title: "Zoning as a Barrier to Affordable Housing", Total Amount \$300,000, Date Awarded: 9/30/03

*Urban Land Institute*, Cheryl Cummins, Chief Operating Officer, 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW., Washington, DC 20007, Grant Number: H-21404CA, Project Title: "Research on Barriers to Land Acquisition and Infill Development", Total Amount: \$151,052, Date Awarded: 9/30/03

Dated: November 6, 2003.

**Darlene F. Williams,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy Development and Research.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4456-N-28]

**Privacy Act of 1974; Notice of a Computer Matching Program**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, (HUD).

**ACTION:** Notice of a Computer Matching Program—between HUD and the Department of Justice (DOJ).

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, as

amended, (Pub. L. 100-503), and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs (54 FR 25818; June 19, 1989), and OMB Bulletin 89-22, "Instructions on Reporting Computer Matching Programs to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Congress and the Public," HUD is issuing a public notice of its intent to conduct a recurring computer matching program with DOJ to utilize a computer information system of HUD, the Credit Alert Interactive Voice Response System (CAIVRS), with DOJ's debtor files. The CAIVRS data base now includes delinquent debt information from the Departments of Agriculture, Education, Veteran Affairs and the Small Business Administration. This match will allow prescreening of applicants for debts owed or loans guaranteed by the Federal government to ascertain if the applicant is delinquent in paying a debt owed to or insured by the Federal government. Before granting a loan, a lending agency and/or an authorized lending institution will be able to interrogate the CAIVRS debtor file, which contains the Social Security Numbers (SSNs) of HUD's delinquent debtors and defaulter and debtor files of the DOJ and verify that the loan applicant is not in default on a Federal judgment or delinquent on direct or guaranteed loans of participating Federal programs. As a result of the information produced by this match, the authorized users may not deny, terminate, or make a final decision on any loan assistance to an applicant or take other adverse action against such applicant, until an officer or employee of such agency has independently verified such information.

**DATES: Effective Date:** Computer matching is expected to begin on January 7, 2004 unless comments are received which will result in a contrary determination, or 40 days from the date a computer matching agreement is signed, whichever is later.

*Comment Due Date:* January 7, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this notice to the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of General Counsel, Room 10276, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-0500. Communications should refer to the above docket number and title. A copy of each communication submitted will be available for public inspection and copying between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at the above address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** From Recipient Agency Contact:

Jeanette Smith, Departmental Privacy Act Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th St. SW., Room P8001, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number (202) 708-2374. (This is not a toll-free number.) A telecommunication device for hearing and speech-impaired individuals (TTY) is available at 1-800-877-8339 (Federal Information Relay Service).

From Source Agency Contact: Diane E. Watson, Debt Collection Management, Nationwide Central Intake Facility (NCIF), Department of Justice, 1110 Boni Font Street, Suite 220, Silver Spring, Maryland, 20910-3358, telephone number (301) 585-2391. (This is not a toll-free number.)

*Reporting of a Matching Program:* In accordance with Public Law 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, as amended, and Office of Management and Budget Bulletin 89-22, "Instructions on Reporting Computer Matching Programs to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Congress and the Public;" copies of this notice and report are being provided to the Committee on Government Reform of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and OMB.

**Authority:** The matching program will be conducted under the authority of 28 U.S.C. 2301(e) (3611 of the Federal Debt Collection Procedures Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-647), and OMB Circulars A-129 (Managing Federal Credit Programs) and A-70 (Policies and Guidelines for Federal Credit Programs). One of the purposes of all Executive departments and agencies—including HUD—is to implement efficient management practices for federal credit programs. OMB Circulars A-129 and A-70 were issued under the authority of the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921, as amended; the Budget and Accounting Act of 1950, as amended; the Debt Collection Act of 1982, as amended; and, the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984, as amended.

*Objectives to be met by the matching program:* By identifying those individuals or corporations against whom the DOJ has filed a judgment, the federal government can expand the prescreening search of their loan applicants to further avoid lending to applicants who are credit risks.

*Records to be Matched:* HUD will utilize its system of records entitled HUD/DEPT-2, Accounting Records. The debtor files for HUD programs involved are included in this system of records. HUD's debtor files contain information on borrowers and co-borrowers who are currently in default (at least 90 days delinquent on their loans); or who have any outstanding claims paid during the last three years on Title II insured or