

Therefore, based on the reasoning set forth above, and after consultation with the Secretary as required under 42 CFR 430.15(c)(2), CMS disapproved Connecticut SPA 02-003A.

I am scheduling a hearing on your request for reconsideration to be held on June 8, 2004, at 10 a.m., JFK Federal Building, Room 2325, Boston, Massachusetts 02203-0003. If this date is not acceptable, we would be glad to set another date that is mutually agreeable to the parties. The hearing will be governed by the procedures prescribed at 42 CFR part 430.

I am designating Ms. Kathleen Scully-Hayes as the presiding officer. If these arrangements present any problems, please contact the presiding officer. In order to facilitate any communication which may be necessary between the parties to the hearing, please notify the presiding officer to indicate acceptability of the hearing date that has been scheduled and provide names of the individuals who will represent the State at the hearing. Ms. Kathleen Scully-Hayes may be reached at (410) 786-2055.

Sincerely,

Mark B. McClellan, M.D., Ph.D.

Authority: Section 1116 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1316; 42 CFR 430.18). (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 13.714, Medicaid Assistance Program)

Mark B. McClellan,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation; Grant to Institute for American Values

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, ACF, HHS.

ACTION: Award announcement.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation will award grant funds without competition to the Institute for American Values. This grant is being awarded for an unsolicited proposal that conforms to the applicable program objectives, is within the legislative authorities and proposes activities that may be lawfully supported through grant mechanisms. This application is of outstanding merit and will have significant impact in focusing new public policy initiatives related to healthy marriage and contribute to better scholarly and public understanding of the issues, particularly related to the benefits of marriage for

African Americans. The systematic review of academic findings published since 1990 will include studies with substantial rigor in order to address the existing inconclusive and often contradictory evidence presented in the current social science literature regarding the benefits of marriage for African Americans. The proposal presents a unique approach and includes a research team comprised of nationally recognized experts who will draw on the experience and knowledge of other nationally recognized experts in identifying the universe of scholarly publications to be considered and providing recommendations regarding variables to be considered and approaches for analysis.

The Institute for American Values is a nonpartisan organization devoted to contributing intellectually to the renewal of marriage and family life and the sources of competence, character, and citizenship.

The grant will support a 16-month project at a cost of \$48,852 in federal support. The project is also being supported through non-federal funding sources.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: K.A. Jagannathan, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Phone: 202-205-4829.

Dated: May 13, 2004.

Naomi Goldstein,

Acting Director, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Grants and Cooperative Agreements; Availability, etc: Amercian Indian and Native Alaskan Incremental Development Projects; Community Services Block Grant Program

Program Office Name: Office of Community Services.

Funding Opportunity Title: The Community Services Block Grant Program Community Economic Development Discretionary Grant Program—Priority Area: Incremental Development Projects—American Indian and Native Alaskan.

Announcement Type: Initial.

Funding Opportunity Number: HHS-2004-ACF-OCS-ID-0023.

CFDA Number: 93.570.

Due Dates for Applications: The due date for receipt of applications is July 19, 2004.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act of 1981, as amended, (Section 680 of the Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act of 1998), authorizes the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to make grants to provide technical and financial assistance for economic development activities designed to address the economic needs of low-income individuals and families by creating employment and business development opportunities. Low-income beneficiaries include those who are determined to be living in poverty as determined by the HHS Guidelines on Poverty (See Appendix A), are unemployed, on public assistance, including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), are at risk teenagers, custodial and non-custodial parents, public housing residents, persons with disabilities and persons who are homeless. Under this priority area, the Office of Community Services (OCS) is particularly interested in receiving applications from urban and tribal American Indian and Alaskan Village community development corporations and other community development corporations (CDC) including faith-based ones.

Definitions of Terms

The following definitions apply:

Beneficiaries—Low-income individuals (as defined in the most recent annual revision of the Poverty Income Guidelines published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services) who receive direct benefits and low-income communities that receive direct benefits.

Budget Period—The time interval into which a grant period is divided for budgetary and funding purposes.

Business Start-up Period—Time interval when the grantee completes preliminary project tasks. These tasks include but are not limited to assembling key staff, executing contracts, administering lease out or build-out of space for occupancy, purchasing plant and equipment and other similar activities. The Business Start-Up Period typically entails three to six months from when OCS awards the grant or cooperative agreement.

Cash contributions—The recipient's cash outlay, including the outlay of money contributed to the recipient by the third parties.