

department's inability to address financial needs without Federal assistance; and discuss other actions the department has taken to meet their staffing needs (e.g., state assistance programs, other grant programs, etc.).

- *Mentoring (additional consideration for Early Career Investigator Projects only):* An important part of Early Career Investigator projects is the integration of mentoring for the principal investigator by experienced researchers in areas appropriate to the research project, including exposure to the fire service community as well as support for ongoing development of knowledge and skills. Mentoring is regarded as critical to the research skills development of early career principal investigators. As part of the application Appendix, the applicant should have identified the mentor(s) who have agreed to support the applicant and the expected benefit of their interactions with the researcher. A biographical sketch and letter of support from the mentor(s) were encouraged and should have been included in the Appendix materials.

#### Other Selection Information

Awards will be made using the results of peer-reviewed applications as the primary basis for decisions, regardless of activity. However, there are some exceptions to strictly using the peer review results. The applicant's prior AFG, SAFER, and FP&S grant management performance will also be taken into consideration when making recommendations for award. All final funding determinations will be made by the FEMA Administrator, or the Administrator's designee.

Fire departments and other eligible applicants that have received funding under the FP&S Grant Program in previous years are eligible to apply for funding in the current year. However, FEMA may take into account an applicant's performance on prior grants when making funding decisions on current applications.

Once every application in the competitive range has been through the technical evaluation phase, the applications will be ranked according to the average score awarded by the panel.

The ranking will be summarized in a Technical Report prepared by the AFG Program Office. A Grants Management Specialist will contact the applicant to discuss and/or negotiate the content of the application and *SAM.gov* registration before making final award decisions.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 2229.

**Pete Gaynor,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

##### Faith-Based Security Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Partnership and Engagement (OPE).

**ACTION:** Notice of new Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) is establishing the Faith-Based Security Advisory Council (FBSAC). The primary purpose of the FBSAC will be to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary on matters relating to houses of worship, faith-based organization security and homeland security. The FBSAC will operate in an advisory capacity only. This notice is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended. The FBSAC will terminate two years from the date of its establishment, unless extended by the Secretary.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Traci Silas at *FBSAC@hq.dhs.gov* or at (202) 603-1142.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 41 CFR 102-3.65(b), as requested by the Department, the General Services Administration Committee Management Secretariat has approved a period of less than 15 calendar days pursuant to the publication of this notice for the filing of the FBSAC Charter.

**Zarinah Traci Silas,**

*Senior Director and Alternate Designated Federal Official.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-6222-N-01]

##### Appointments to the Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing- Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

**ACTION:** Notice of the Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the

Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee (HCFAC) to fill vacancies on the HCFAC.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) established the HCFAC on April 14, 2015. This notice invites nominations for appointments to fill vacancies on the HCFAC.

**DATES:** All Nominations must be received no later than July 29, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations must be in writing and submitted via email to *HCFAC.application@hud.gov*. Individuals who do not have internet access may submit nominations to the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing Counseling, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 9224, Washington DC 20410.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Virginia F. Holman, Housing Program Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Housing Counseling, Office of Outreach and Capacity Building, *Virginia.F.Holman@hud.gov*, telephone number 540-894-7790. (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who have difficulty hearing or speaking may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339 (toll-free number). Individuals with questions may also email *HCFAC.application@hud.gov* and in the subject line write "HCFAC application question."

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background and Authority

The HCFAC is statutorily mandated to provide advice to the Office of Housing Counseling (OHC) (42 U.S.C. 3533(g)(4)). The HCFAC provides the OHC valuable advice regarding its mission to provide individuals and families with knowledge to obtain, sustain, and improve their housing through a strong national network of HUD-approved housing counseling agencies and HUD-certified counselors. The HCFAC, however, does not have any role in reviewing or awarding of OHC housing counseling grants and procurements. The HCFAC is subject to the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix) (FACA), FACA regulations, and Presidential Memorandum "Final Guidance on Appointments of Lobbyists to Federal Boards and Commissions," dated June 18, 2010, along with any relevant guidance published in the **Federal Register** or otherwise issued by

the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).<sup>1</sup>

The HCFAC shall consist of not more than 8 individuals appointed by the Secretary. The membership will equally represent the mortgage industry, real estate industry, consumers, and HUD-approved housing counseling agencies. Each member shall be appointed in his or her individual capacity for a term of 3 years.

Appointees whose terms have expired are eligible to apply to be nominated for the positions announced herein.

## II. Nominations for the Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee

HUD is seeking nominations for membership on the HCFAC. Nominees shall have experience representative of at least one of the 4 categories—the mortgage industry, real estate industry, consumers, and HUD-approved housing counseling agencies. Nominations may be made by agency officials, members of Congress, the general public, professional organizations, and self-nominations. Nominees must be U.S. citizens and cannot be U.S. Government employees.

All appointed nominees will be serving on the HCFAC in their individual capacity and not in a representative capacity, therefore, no Federally-registered lobbyists may serve on the HCFAC.<sup>2</sup> Individual capacity, as clarified by OMB, refers to individuals who are appointed to committees to exercise their own individual best judgment on behalf of the government, such as when they are designated as Special Government Employees as defined in 18 U.S.C. 202. Nominations to the HCFAC must be submitted using Form HUD-90005 (“Application for Membership Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee”) which is available on the Office of Housing Counseling’s Federal Advisory Committee web page at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/housing-counseling/federal-advisory-committee/>. Each nominee will be required to provide all the information requested on HUD-90005. Nominations

<sup>1</sup> See, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/presidential-memorandum-lobbyists-agency-boards-and-commissions/> (“Lobbyist on Agency Boards and Commissions”); see also 76 FR 61756 (“Final Guidance on Appointments of Lobbyists to Federal Boards and Commissions”); and 79 FR 47482 (“Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions”).

<sup>2</sup> See 79 FR 4782 (“Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions”) (clarifying that federally registered lobbyists may not serve on advisory committee, board, or Commission in an “individual capacity.”)

submitted under this **Federal Register** Notice shall remain valid for two (2) years after the close of the deadline for applications. HUD reserves the right to solicit new nominations, at any time, to fill HCFAC vacancies.

Nominations should be submitted via email to [HCFAC.application@hud.gov](mailto:HCFAC.application@hud.gov). Individuals who do not have internet access may submit nominations to the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing Counseling, HUD, 451 7th Street SW, Washington DC 20410.

Those who submitted applications previously, and those who have been appointed previously, must reapply if they wish to be considered for an appointment.

All Nominations must be received no later than *July 29, 2020*.

HCFAC members will be required to adhere to the conflict of interest rules applicable to Special Government Employees as defined in 18 U.S.C. Section 202(a). The rules include relevant provisions in Title 18 related to criminal activity, Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (*5 CFR part 2635*) and Executive Order 12674 (as modified by Executive Order 12731). Therefore, applicants will be required to submit to pre-appointment screenings relating to conflict of interest and financial interests that HUD might require. If selected, HCFAC members will also be asked to complete OGE Form 450 (Confidential Financial Disclosure Report).

Members of the HCFAC shall serve without pay but shall receive travel expenses including per diem in lieu of subsistence as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703. Regular attendance is essential to the effective operation of the HCFAC.

This Notice is not intended to be the exclusive method by which HUD will solicit nominations and expressions of interest to identify qualified candidates. However, all nominees for membership on the HCFAC will be subject to the same application process and evaluation criteria.

## IV. Selection and Meetings.

Member selections and appointments will be made by the Secretary and will be based on the Nominee’s qualifications to contribute to the accomplishment of the HCFAC’s objectives. Membership on the Committee is personal to the appointee and committee members serve at the discretion of the Secretary.

The estimated number of in-person meetings anticipated within a fiscal year is two (2) in Washington DC or elsewhere in the United States. Additional meetings may be held as

needed to render advice to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for OHC. The meetings may use electronic communication technologies for attendance.

All meetings will be announced by notice in the **Federal Register**. Announcements of the meetings may be made using other methods as well.

Dated: June 22, 2020.

**Len Wolfson,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-6221-N-01]

### Availability of HUD’s Fiscal Year 2018 Service Contract Inventory

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises of the availability to the public of service contracts awarded by HUD in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Akinsola A. Ajayi, Assistant Chief Procurement Officer, Office of Policy, Systems and Risk Management, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone number 202–402–6728 (this is not a toll-free number) and fax number 202–708–8912. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access Mr. Lawrence E. Chambers telephone number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–117, approved December 16, 2009, 123 Stat. 3034, at 123 Stat. 3216), HUD is publishing this notice to advise the public of service contracts inventories that were awarded in FY 2018. The inventories are organized by function and are reviewed by HUD to better understand how contracted services are used to support HUD’s primary mission, to insure HUD maintains an adequate workforce for operations and to research whether contractors were performing inherently governmental functions.

The inventory was developed in accordance with guidance issued on November 5, 2010 by the Office of Management and Budget’s Office