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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 30-day notice of information collection under review: Application for Waiver of Ground of Excludability; Form I-601.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS), has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2003 at 68 FR 39957, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received by the BCIS on this proposed information collection.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until December 3, 2003. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: DHS Desk Officer, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application for Waiver of Ground of Excludability.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form I-601, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. The information collected on this form will be used by the Immigration and Naturalization Service to determine whether the applicant is eligible for a waiver of excludability under section 212 of the Immigration and Nationality act.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 3,000 responses at 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 1,500 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Richard A. Sloan 202-514-3291, Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Room 4304 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Additionally, comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time may also be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan.

If additional information is required contact: Ms. Yvonne Pollard, Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Regional Office Building 3, 7th and D Streets, SW., Suite 4636-26, Washington, DC 20202.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4800-FA-9D]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 2003 Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities Program

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 Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities Program. The purpose of this document is to announce the names, addresses and the amount awarded to the winners to be used to assist Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian institutions of higher education to expand their role and effectiveness in addressing communities in their localities, consistent with the purpose of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Brunson, Office of University Partnerships, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 8106, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-3061, ext. 3852. 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 800-877-8339 or 202-708-1455. (Telephone number, other than "800" TTY numbers are not toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities Program was approved by Congress under section 107 of the Community Development Block Grant appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2003, and is administered by the Office of University Partnerships under the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research. In addition to this program, the Office of University

Partnerships administers HUD's ongoing grant programs to institutions of higher education as well as creates initiatives through which colleges and universities can bring their traditional missions of teaching, research, service, and outreach to bear on the pressing local problems in their communities.

The AN/NHIAC program provides funds for a wide range of CDBG-eligible activities including housing rehabilitation and financing, property demolition or acquisition, public facilities, economic development, business entrepreneurship, and fair housing programs. Of the \$6.981 million available, \$3.4 million was allotted to fund Alaskan Hawaiian institutions and \$3.4 million to fund Native Hawaiian institutions. Each eligible campus was permitted to apply individually, for \$800,000 the maximum amount that can be awarded for a period of 36 months.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.515.

On April 25, 2003 (68 FR 21121), HUD published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announcing the availability of \$6.981 million in Fiscal Year 2003 for the AN/NHIAC Program. The Department reviewed, evaluated, and scored the applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications below, 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 set forth below.

List of Awardees for Grant Assistance Under the FY 2003 Alaska Native/ Native Hawaiian Institutions Assisting Communities Program Funding Competition, by Institution, Address and Grant Amount

Pacific/Hawaii

1. Chaminade University of Honolulu, Dr. Henery H. Gomes, Chaminade University of Honolulu, Office of the Provost, 3140 Waialae Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816. Grant: \$799,297.

Northwest/Alaska

2. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Dr. Margaret Woods, Northwest Campus, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Pouch 400, Nome, AK, 99762. Grant: \$799,820.

3. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Dr. Deborah McLean-Nelson, Bristol Bay, University of Alaska Fairbanks, P. O. Box 1070, Dillingham, AK, 99576. Grant: \$800,000.

4. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Bob Medinger, Kuskookwim Campus,

University of Alaska Fairbanks, P.O. Box 368, Bethel, AK, 99559. Grant: \$798,598.

5. Ilisagvik College, Karen E. Stretch, Ilisagvik College, P.O. Box 749, Barrow, AK, 99723. Grant: \$799,724.

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Darlene F. Williams,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4800-FA-9C]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 2003; Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program

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 Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program (HSIAC). The purpose of this document is to announce the names, addresses and the amount awarded to the winners to be used to help Hispanic-Serving Institutions of Higher Education to expand their role and effectiveness in addressing community development needs in their localities, consistent with the purposes of HUD's Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Brunson, Office of University Partnerships, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 8106, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-3061, ext. 3852. 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 800-877-8339 or 202-708-1455. (Telephone number, other than "800" TTY numbers are not toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program was approved by Congress under section 107 of the Community Development Block Grant appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2003, and is administered by the Office of

University Partnerships under the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research. In addition to this program, the Office of University Partnerships administers HUD's ongoing grant programs to institutions of higher education as well as creates initiatives through which colleges and universities can bring their traditional missions of teaching, research, service, and outreach to bear on the pressing local problems in their communities.

The HSIAC program provides funds for a wide range of CDBG-eligible activities including housing rehabilitation and financing, property demolition or acquisition, public facilities, economic development, business entrepreneurship, and fair housing programs.

The Catalog Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.514.

On April 25, 2003, (68 FR 21116), HUD published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announcing the availability of \$7.04 million in Fiscal Year 2003 for the HSIAC Program. The Department reviewed, evaluated, and scored the applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications below, 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 set forth below.

List of Awardees for Grant Assistance Under the FY 2003 Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program Funding Competition, by Institution, Address and Grant Amount

New York/New Jersey

1. Lehman College, Ms. Eleanor Lundeen, Lehman College, 250 Bedford Park Blvd., Bronx, NY 10468. Grant: \$600,000.

Southeast/Caribbean

2. Universidad Metropolitana, Dr. Zaida Vega Lugo, Universidad Metropolitana, P.O. Box 21150, San Juan, PR 00928. Grant: \$554,884.

Southwest

3. San Antonio College, Mary Helen Vera, Ph.D., Women's Center, 1300 San Pedro Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78212. Grant: \$594,763.

4. The University of Texas Pan American, Mr. Pedro Salazar, The University of Texas Pan American, 1201 W University Drive, Edinburg, TX 78539. Grant: \$600,000.

5. St. Phillips College, Federico Zaragoza, Ph.D., St. Phillips College,