

**HOUSING
HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE
2012 Summary Statement and Initiatives
(Dollars in Thousands)**

HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE	<u>Enacted/ Request</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	<u>Supplemental/ Rescission</u>	<u>Total Resources</u>	<u>Obligations</u>	<u>Outlays</u>
2010 Appropriation	\$87,500 ^a	\$64,981	...	\$152,481	\$65,168	\$39,547
2011 CR	88,000	86,357	...	174,357	86,357	83,000
2012 Request	<u>88,000</u>	<u>87,500</u>	...	<u>175,500</u>	<u>87,500</u>	<u>87,000</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets .....	...	+1,143	...	+1,143	+1,143	+4,000

a/ Includes \$875,000 in Transformation Initiative transfers.

Summary Statement

For fiscal year 2012, the Department requests \$88 million for the Housing Counseling Assistance program, a \$500,000 increase from the fiscal year 2010 enacted level. The majority of the requested funds, \$79 million, are expected to be distributed competitively to national and regional intermediaries, local housing counseling agencies, multi-state agencies, and state housing finance agencies to support the direct provision of housing counseling services, including pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, and reverse mortgage counseling. Grants awarded through these appropriations will be competed in late fiscal year 2012 and will serve as many as 318,000 low- to moderate-income households during fiscal year 2013, when the funds will be obligated and expended; an additional \$5.5 million will be competed in the form of training grants, which will train approximately 4,400 counselors. The remaining \$3.5 million of the requested funds are to be used for administrative contract services; these funds will be used to streamline internal processes, enhance counseling agency oversight, improve the impact of counseling services, and fulfill some of the mandates of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203).

The recent enactment of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203) on July 21, 2010, established the Office of Housing Counseling reporting to the Secretary; currently the Office of Housing Counseling Assistance reports to management under the Office of Single Family Housing within the Department's Office of Housing. The Department and the Office of Single Family Housing are working on the transition of Housing Counseling Assistance into its new office as prescribed by the above mentioned bill.

The Housing Counseling Assistance program supports the delivery of a wide variety of housing counseling services to potential homebuyers, homeowners, low- to moderate-income renters, and the homeless. Counselors provide information to help households improve their housing conditions and choices, avoid foreclosure, and understand the responsibilities of tenancy and homeownership. During fiscal year 2010, HUD-approved counseling agencies provided housing counseling services to approximately 3.04 million households, using both HUD and non-HUD funding.

This appropriation is necessary to meet the continued high demand for HUD-approved housing counseling agencies, which served 3,038,258 households in fiscal year 2010, the highest level ever. The record high demand is largely caused by the state of the economy and the fact that many Federal programs including the

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Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), the Making Home Affordable (MHA) program, and FHA's Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) require housing counseling. Additionally, many state and local governments, and other entities like the Federal Home Loan Bank, require homebuyer education for recipients of down-payment assistance. The program's far-reaching effect significantly impacts HUD's Strategic Plan Goal 1: Strengthen the Nation's Housing Market to Bolster the Economy and Protect Consumers, Goal 2: Meet the Need for Quality Affordable Rental Homes, Goal 3: Utilize Housing as a Platform for Improving Quality of Life, and Goal 4: Build Inclusive and Sustainable Communities Free From Discrimination. HUD recognizes that the demand for housing counseling, as described in this justification, exceeds the level of services that would be supported by this requested funding level. This program is the only dedicated source of Federal funding for the full spectrum of housing counseling services.

During fiscal year 2010, as displayed in Figure 1 below, HUD-approved counseling agencies dedicated nearly half of their counseling efforts to foreclosure prevention counseling because of the current housing crisis. While combating the foreclosure crisis is a priority for the Federal Government and this Budget request, it is essential to continue to adequately fund pre-purchase, rental, reverse mortgage and other types of housing counseling as an investment in preventing future defaults and helping households that have been displaced as a result of the crisis. Figure 2 shows how the Department will balance the need for funding both foreclosure and other types of housing counseling.

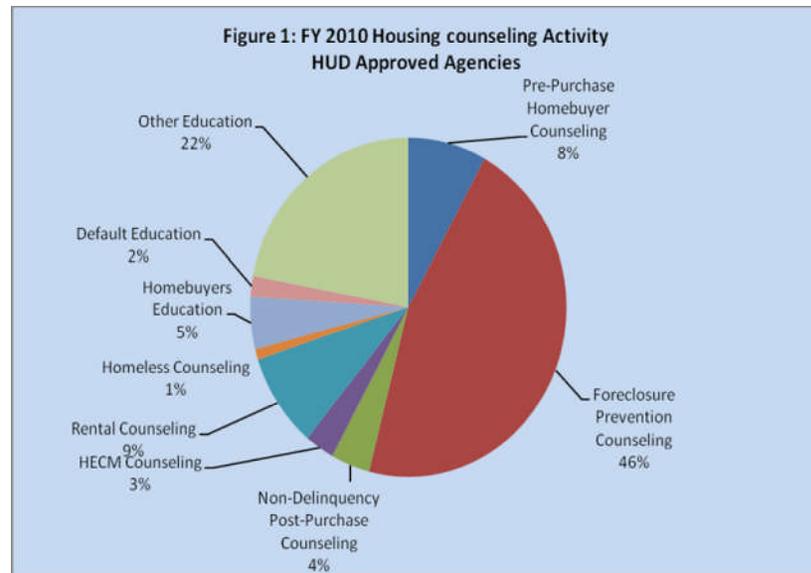


Figure 2: FY 2012 Housing Counseling Activities	Estimated Distribution (in Millions)	Estimated Households Served	Cost per Household
Foreclosure Prevention Counseling	\$33.32	66,640	\$500
Other Education	\$14.96	124,667	\$120
HECM Counseling	\$11.00	36,667	\$300
Rental Counseling	\$6.12	24,480	\$250
Pre-Purchase/Homebuyer Counseling	\$5.44	13,600	\$400
Homebuyer Education	\$3.40	28,333	\$120
Non-delinquency Post-Purchase Counseling	\$2.72	9,067	\$300
Default Education	\$1.36	11,333	\$120
Homeless Counseling	\$0.68	3,400	\$200
TOTAL	\$79	318,187	

Program Relationship to Strategic Plan Goals and Subgoals

Strategic Plan Goal 1 – Strengthen the Nation’s Housing Market to Bolster the Economy and Protect Consumers

Subgoal 1A: Stem the foreclosure crisis

According to the Mortgage Bankers Association, every 3 months 250,000 new families enter into foreclosure – this represents one out of every 200 homes. Even families not facing foreclosure feel the effects - the Center for Responsible Lending estimates that United States lost home equity wealth due to nearby foreclosures from 2009-2012 will reach \$1.9 trillion. The Center forecasts nearly 1.9 million foreclosure projections for the State of California alone between 2009 and 2012.

To help at-risk households, counselors apply loss mitigation skills and other strategies to help affected borrowers modify their loans, refinance, or otherwise escape high interest rates, hidden costs, prepayment penalties, and other predatory practices. Current program activity data reflects the rapidly growing percentage of the Housing Counseling appropriation that is being used for foreclosure prevention counseling. During fiscal year 2010, counseling agencies in HUD’s Housing Counseling program reported that 46 percent of all counseling sessions were dedicated to providing mortgage delinquency and default resolution counseling. By contrast, in fiscal year 2007, delinquency and default resolution counseling accounted for only 15.7 percent of all counseling activity.

HUD estimates that as much as \$33.32 million of the fiscal year 2012 request will be spent on foreclosure prevention counseling, serving approximately 66,640 households, at an average cost of \$500 per household. While this number may seem low relative to the number of households facing foreclosure, thousands of additional households will receive default counseling from HUD-approved housing counseling agencies because of funds leveraged by the counseling agencies, including servicer funding and the significant investment by the Federal Government.

Housing counseling agencies are a key factor in making existing foreclosure prevention programs successful because counselors help qualify and prepare households for the various Federal, state and local foreclosure programs available to them. For example, housing counseling is crucial to the efficacy of the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP) because these counselors help evaluate a household’s eligibility and prepare the necessary documentation for mortgage servicers. HAMP is designed to help as many as three to four million struggling homeowners avoid foreclosure by modifying loans to a level that is affordable for borrowers now and sustainable over the long term. The Home Affordable Foreclosure Alternatives (HAFA) Program provides additional loss mitigation options to avoid costly foreclosures and offers incentives to borrowers, servicers and investors who utilize a short sale or deed-in-lieu to avoid foreclosures. HAFA alternatives are available to all HAMP-eligible borrowers who: (1) do not qualify for a Trial Period Plan; (2) do not successfully complete a Trial Period Plan; (3) miss at least two consecutive payments during a HAMP modification; or, (4) request a short sale or deed-in-lieu. Housing counselors will also play a key role in helping thousands of households to access and effectively utilize assistance under HUD’s Emergency Homeowners’ Loan Program (EHLPP).

Subgoal 1B: Protect and educate consumers when they buy, refinance, or rent a home

The current housing crisis has created an increased level of awareness of the risks of making uninformed home financing decisions. As it has come to light, many families did not understand the complex home-buying process and did not know how much home they could afford, what types of financing made the most sense for them, or how to improve their credit.

At a cost of about \$400 per household, pre-purchase housing counseling is a cost-effective way to arm clients with the knowledge they need in order to avoid unnecessarily high interest rates and predatory practices that can result in foreclosure. In their 2001 study entitled *A Little Knowledge is a Good Thing: Empirical*

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Evidence of the Effectiveness of Pre-Purchase Homeownership Counseling, Hiras and Zorn concluded that one-on-one counseling provided to first-time homebuyers can reduce delinquency by as much as 34 percent. During fiscal year 2010, HUD-approved counseling agencies provided about 244,000 households with pre-purchase counseling, about 45 percent of which have purchased a home or will be mortgage-ready within 90 days. The Department estimates spending \$5.44 million of the fiscal year 2012 funds on pre-purchase housing counseling, which will directly serve about 13,600 households, at an average cost of \$400 per household.

Rental counseling is available to households where home-buying is not currently an option. Typically, housing search services are provided to help families locate and access affordable rental housing and/or rental assistance. For example, rental counseling can educate households on the advantages of moving into diversified communities, and closer to jobs, quality education, as well as services. If necessary, counselors also assist renters in budgeting for their rent payments, help resolve issues in their tenancy, or aid in understanding landlords' and renters' agreements. During fiscal year 2010, HUD counseling agencies provided 278,871 households with rental counseling. It is estimated that \$6.12 million of the proposed appropriation will be used for such counseling to directly serve approximately 24,480 households at an average cost of \$250 per family.

Subgoal 1C: Create financially sustainable homeownership opportunities

The Housing Counseling Assistance program helps create financially sustainable homeownership opportunities by helping borrowers avoid expensive and risky home financing options and helping at-risk homeowners refinance into safer, more affordable mortgages. Many of the homeowners currently victimized by exotic subprime loans were unaware of lower cost and safer options, such as FHA-insured mortgages. Counselors educate borrowers on how to avoid inflated appraisals, unreasonably high interest rates, unaffordable repayment terms, and other conditions that can result in a loss of equity, increased debt, default, and possible foreclosure.

The program can also bring home-price stability to local real estate markets by using pre-purchase counseling to help homebuyers purchase the excess supply of vacant and foreclosed properties. With current home prices low and historically low interest rates, it is an excellent time for first-time homebuyers. Moreover, billions are being invested to help state and local governments buy, rehab and sell foreclosed property through HUD's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP); NSP requires 8 hours of homebuyer education for homebuyers assisted through the program. The requested Housing Counseling funding could support those and other efforts to sell foreclosed and other properties, and help generate demand for home purchases, which is critical to stabilizing neighborhoods.

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Subgoal 1D: Establish an accountable and sustainable housing finance system

The Housing Counseling Assistance program helps establish an accountable and sustainable housing finance system by combating predatory lending and mortgage rescue scams.

This Budget request supports innovative and aggressive efforts to educate individuals in identifying, avoiding, and reporting predatory lending. As part of the fall-out from the housing crisis, it has become clear that many families were defrauded by some party to the real estate or home financing transaction. The Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights reports that through the end of December 2010, homeowners filing scam complaints with the Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network (LMSPN) have reported losses from fee payments totaling \$23 million. The Lawyer's Committee reports receiving 1,527 complaints in December 2010

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alone. In 2009, the Federal Trade Commission identified 71 different companies running suspicious mortgage rescue ads, which involve so-called mortgage rescue companies using simple messages to lure homeowners facing foreclosure. The companies may imply they are associated with HUD, FHA, and other reputable organizations to gain the homeowners' trust, personal information and money.

Housing counseling helps ensure that individuals making the transition to homeownership are not taken advantage of by unscrupulous lenders. During fiscal year 2010, about 13,211 households attended predatory lending workshops hosted by HUD-approved counseling agencies. In 2011, HUD is devoting approximately \$500,000 to specifically train counselors on fair lending abuse and mortgage fraud. These efforts will continue and be strengthened with the fiscal year 2012 funds.

In fiscal year 2010, the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was significantly improved to encourage and reward counseling agencies' involvement in activities designed to combat mortgage scams. The NOFA also makes clear that it is an encouraged and eligible expense to purchase and disseminate materials related to the Loan Modification Scam Alert Campaign (<http://www.loanscamalert.org/>) and to identify and report potential loan modification scams, for example with the Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network: <http://www.preventloanscams.org> and the HUD Office of Inspector General (OIG) Hotline. Counseling agencies can play a vital role in encouraging and facilitating the reporting of mortgage scams so that the relevant authorities can put the scammers out of business.

With the fiscal year 2012 funds, HUD also intends to devote at least \$1 million of the funds to support an existing national education campaign to combat mortgage rescue scams. The purpose of this significant investment in outreach is to make sure that the public understands the availability of legitimate programs, like MHA, and that quality housing counseling services are available. Sufficient funds are necessary to ensure that desperate families can turn to a reputable HUD-approved counseling agency for assistance instead of compounding their problems by being duped by a rescue scam.

Strategic Plan Goal 2 – Meet the Need for Quality Affordable Rental Homes

Subgoal 2A: End homelessness and substantially reduce the number of families and individuals with severe housing needs

Housing counselors serve homeless individuals by providing them with financial literacy education and referrals to social, community, and homeless services such as emergency shelter or transitional housing. In fiscal year 2010, HUD-approved counseling agencies served about 37,248 homeless households. HUD expects approximately \$680,000 of the proposed fiscal year 2012 Budget to be used for homeless counseling, directly serving nearly 3,400 homeless households.

Subgoal 2D: Expand families' choices of affordable rental homes located in a broad range of communities

Because of the current foreclosure crisis, many households are transitioning from homeownership to the rental market or are being forced to find new rental housing. Therefore, the counseling effort must offer support that will help families transition from one type of housing arrangement to another. A clear socioeconomic objective will be to keep families in their current communities if they have access to social support networks, health care, jobs, and quality education for their children. However, if the household does not have access to these necessities, the objective is to increase access to low-poverty, racially diverse neighborhoods of opportunity. In both cases, housing counselors can provide rental counseling services, which help families locate and access affordable rental housing and/or rental assistance and improve their housing conditions. This type of service will continue to be critical.

During fiscal year 2010, rental counseling comprised approximately 9 percent (Figure 1) of total activities reported by agencies participating in the program. HUD estimates that \$6.12 million of the proposed funding will be spent on rental counseling, serving approximately 24,480 households at an average cost of \$250 per household.

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Strategic Plan Goal 3 – Utilize Housing as a Platform for Improving Quality of Life

Subgoal 3C: Utilize HUD assistance to increase economic security and self-sufficiency

The program helps increase clients' economic security and self-sufficiency by helping families purchase homes, which allows them to build assets through home equity. During fiscal year 2010, HUD-approved counseling agencies provided approximately 244,646 households with pre-purchase counseling, of these approximately 45 percent have purchased a home or will be mortgage-ready within 90 days. The Department proposes spending \$5.44 million of the requested funding on pre-purchase housing counseling, directly serving approximately 13,600 households at an average cost of \$400 per household.

Additionally, the Housing Counseling Assistance program increases financial literacy among renters, potential homebuyers, and existing homeowners. This includes budgeting for mortgage/rent payments, money management, credit repair, and how to address utility costs and energy efficiency. Housing counselors also refer clients to other community services and regulatory agencies, as needed. In fiscal year 2010, about 129,802 clients attended a financial literacy workshop hosted by a HUD-approved counseling agency.

The Department estimates spending \$2.72 million of the requested fiscal year 2012 funds on Non-delinquency Post-Purchase Counseling, directly serving approximately 9,067 households, at an average cost of \$300, and leverage significantly more funds.

Subgoal 3D: Utilize HUD assistance to improve housing stability through supportive services for vulnerable populations, including the elderly, people with disabilities, homeless people, and those individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless

The Housing Counseling Assistance program will improve housing stability for the elderly by providing reverse mortgage counseling, which is statutorily required for seniors' eligibility for the FHA Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) product. HECMs allow seniors access to their home's equity for health care needs, home repairs, and other emergencies. Since HECM loans can be used to pay off an existing lien against the property, the product also can be a significant foreclosure prevention tool for seniors. By allowing elderly homeowners to tap into the equity in their homes, HECMs and other reverse mortgage loans help ensure that senior Americans have sufficient resources to live out their lives and reduce the likelihood that they will need to rely on public assistance as they age. The American Association of Retired Persons has been advocating and promoting the use of reverse mortgages to assist seniors in need.

Strategic Plan Goal 4 - Build Inclusive and Sustainable Communities Free From Discrimination

Subgoal 4C: Ensure open, diverse, and equitable communities

The Housing Counseling Assistance program helps ensure open, diverse, and equitable communities by providing clients with information about fair housing laws and referring them to legal assistance if the client is suspected of being a victim of housing discrimination. During fiscal year 2010, 11,521 clients attended fair housing workshops hosted by HUD-approved counseling agencies, and approximately 2,858 renters have been referred by HUD-approved counseling agencies to legal aid for fair housing assistance. Moreover, in 2011, HUD is devoting approximately \$500,000 to specifically train counselors regarding fair lending abuse and mortgage fraud. The Department expects at least \$500,000 of the proposed fiscal year 2012 funding to be spent on this specialized training, educating approximately 400 counselors, at an average cost of \$1,250 per counselor trained.

Additionally, the program provides housing counseling assistance to a diverse group of clients; nearly 51 percent of clients served in fiscal year 2010 were minorities.

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Subgoal 4E: Build the capacity of local, state, and regional public and private organizations

The majority of the fiscal year 2012 requested funds, \$79 million, are expected to be distributed competitively to national and regional intermediaries, local housing counseling agencies, multi-state agencies, and state housing finance agencies to support the direct provision of housing counseling and education services, including pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, and reverse mortgage counseling. These funds are allocated through an annual grant competition to applicants that meet eligibility requirements based on capacity, need, soundness of approach, leveraging of resources, and program evaluation.

This Budget request continues to support training for housing counselors working for HUD-approved Housing Counseling Agencies in order to standardize and improve the quality of housing counseling provided. Of the total requested funds, \$5.5 million will support this competitive training initiative, making quality training accessible and affordable to about 4,400 counselors. This investment in training will help ensure that counseling services available through the program are provided by knowledgeable and skilled counselors who are trained to provide high-quality services that help protect the interests of clients.

Performance Indicators that Reflect Housing Counseling Assistance Program Activity

Because the Housing Counseling Assistance program impacts Strategic Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4, the program has an effect on 8 of the 15 core performance indicators associated with HUD's Strategic Plan. The 8 indicators are as follows:

1. Reduce the number of completed foreclosures.
2. Restore FHA's excess capital reserve ratio to the Congressionally mandated 2-percent level by 2014.
3. Reduce the average residential vacancy rate in Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) investment areas.
4. Reduce the number of households with worst case housing needs.
5. Reduce homelessness.
6. Improve the quality of housing and available community opportunities reported by HUD residents.
7. Reduce the share of household income spent on the combined costs of housing and transportation in communities that receive assistance from the Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities.
8. Increase the proportion of HUD-assisted families in low-poverty and racially diverse communities.

Strengthening the Housing Counseling Assistance Program

The fiscal year 2012 Budget requests \$3.5 million for contract services, which is aimed at strengthening the program by allowing the funding of activities that would improve and streamline internal processes and controls, and improve the quality and impact of counseling services and fulfill some of the mandates of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203). Without broad contract authority, the Housing Counseling Assistance program has limited flexibility to creatively address critical and timely issues facing the nation, such as natural disasters, the foreclosure crisis, mortgage rescue scams, and mortgage fraud and fair lending abuse. Contract authority and funding would allow for an aggressive national education and outreach campaign designed to promote the

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availability of counseling and combat rescue scams. It could also allow for identification of quality training programs that may be accessed to fulfill HUD housing counseling training and certification requirements; and improve oversight of counseling agencies, for example through mystery shopping and financial oversight of housing counseling intermediaries.

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Summary of Resources by Program
(Dollars in Thousands)**

<u>Budget Activity</u>	<u>2010 Budget Authority</u>	<u>2009 Carryover Into 2010</u>	<u>2010 Total Resources</u>	<u>2010 Obligations</u>	<u>2011 CR</u>	<u>2010 Carryover Into 2011</u>	<u>2011 Total Resources</u>	<u>2012 Request</u>
Housing Counseling Assistance	\$86,625	\$64,981	\$151,606	\$65,168	\$88,000	\$86,357	\$174,357	\$88,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer)	<u>875</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>875</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>
Total	87,500	64,981	152,481	65,168	88,000	86,357	174,357	88,000

<u>FTE</u>	<u>2010 Actual</u>	<u>2011 Estimate</u>	<u>2012 Estimate</u>
Headquarters	9	9	9
Field	<u>98</u>	<u>98</u>	<u>119</u>
Total	107	107	128

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Program Offsets
(Dollars in Thousands)**

Housing Counseling Assistance	<u>Amount</u>
2010 Appropriation	\$86,625
2011 CR	88,000
2012 Request	<u>88,000</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets .....	...

Proposed Actions

Housing Counseling Grants

Of the fiscal year 2012 funding requested, \$79 million is expected to be distributed competitively to National and Regional Intermediaries, Local Housing Counseling Agencies, multi-state agencies, and State Housing Finance Agencies to support the direct provision of housing counseling and education services, including pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, and reverse mortgage counseling. These funds are allocated through an annual competition to applicants that meet eligibility requirements based on capacity, need, soundness of approach, leveraging resources, and program evaluation. Grants awarded through these appropriations will be competed in late fiscal year 2012 and will serve as many as 318,187 low- to moderate-income households during fiscal year 2013, when the funds will be obligated and expended. An additional \$5.5 million will be competed in the form of training grants, which will train approximately 4,400 counselors.

Administrative Contract Services

The fiscal year 2012 Budget requests \$3.5 million for contract services. These funds will be used to streamline internal processes, enhance counseling agency oversight, improve the impact of counseling services, and fulfill some of the mandates of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203).

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Transformation Initiative (transfer)	<u>Amount</u>
2010 Appropriation	\$875
2011 CR
2012 Request	<u>...</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets .....	...

Proposed Actions

The Transformation Initiative allows the Secretary the necessary flexibility to undertake an integrated and balanced effort to improve program performance and test innovative ideas. One percent of the funds appropriated in fiscal year 2010 for Housing Counseling Assistance were transferred to the Transformation Initiative account to undertake research, demonstrations, technical assistance and technology improvements.

In fiscal year 2012, the Department renews its request for the Transformation Initiative, which provides the Secretary the flexibility to undertake an integrated and balanced effort to improve program performance and test innovative ideas. Up to 0.5 percent of the funds appropriated for this account may be transferred to the Transformation Initiative Fund account for the following purposes: research, evaluations, and program metrics; program demonstrations; and technical assistance and capacity building. Departmentwide, no more than \$120 million will be transferred to the Transformation Initiative Fund account in fiscal year 2012. More details on the overall Transformation Initiative and these projects are provided in the justification for the Transformation Initiative Fund account.

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Appropriations Language**

Below is the italicized appropriations language for Housing Counseling Assistance.

For contracts, grants, and other assistance excluding loans, as authorized under section 106 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, \$88,000,000 including up to \$3,500,000 for administrative contract services, to remain available until September 30, 2013: Provided, That funds shall be used for providing counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, both current and prospective, with respect to property maintenance, financial management/literacy, and such other matters as may be appropriate to assist them in improving their conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership; for program administration; and for housing counselor training.

Changes from 2010 Appropriations

The fiscal year 2012 Budget requests \$3.5 million for contract services, an increase of \$1,000,000 over fiscal year 2010. These funds will be used to streamline internal processes, enhance counseling agency oversight, improve the impact of counseling services, and fulfill some of the mandates of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203).

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Crosswalk of 2010 Availability
(Dollars in Thousands)**

<u>Budget Activity</u>	<u>2010 Enacted</u>	<u>Supplemental/ Rescission</u>	<u>Approved Reprogrammings</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	<u>Total 2010 Resources</u>
Housing Counseling Assistance	\$86,625	\$64,981	\$151,606
Transformation Initiative (transfer)	<u>875</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>875</u>
Total	87,500	64,981	152,481

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Crosswalk of 2011 Changes
(Dollars in Thousands)**

<u>Budget Activity</u>	<u>2011 President's Budget Request</u>	<u>2011 CR</u>	<u>2011 Supplemental/ Rescission</u>	<u>Reprogrammings</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	<u>Total 2011 Resources</u>
Housing Counseling Assistance	\$88,000	\$88,000	...	...	\$86,357	\$174,357
Transformation Initiative (transfer)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	88,000	88,000	...	...	86,357	174,357