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POCKET OF POVERTY ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION

Introduction. The Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination Process involves two distinct processes: Phase I involves the application of citywide factors such as equal employment opportunities, substandard housing, capacity and whether comparable city services are being provided to the area to be designated a pocket of poverty. Phase II involves the application of specific factors only to the geographic area to be designated a pocket of poverty.

1. Phase I - Citywide Eligibility for Pocket of Poverty

(a). Each time a request for citywide pocket of poverty eligibility determination is received by the Area Office from a jurisdiction previously not determined eligible for the Action Grant Program, the Date Request for Eligibility Received (C20) must be entered. This date normally is stamped on the documents by the mailroom. The Area Office must enter at the same time the Pocket of Poverty Indicator (C23), valued as "P".

(b). Each time Phase I of the process is approved, three data values must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C21) must be entered as "B" (Found eligible for Pocket of Poverty);
- (2) The Date of Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C22) must be entered as the date of the letter informing the jurisdiction of the eligibility approval;
- (3) The Expiration Date of Eligibility Determination (C24) will be entered as November 30th of the current year if the eligibility approval was made prior to May 30th, (i.e., approval date is April 5, 1982, expiration date, therefore, is November 30, 1982) and November 30th of the following year if the eligibility approval was made after May 30th (i.e., approval date is July 2, 1982, the expiration date, therefore, is November 30, 1983).

(c). Each time Phase I of the process is disapproved, two data values must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C21) will be entered as one of the following:
  - "C" Found ineligible on EO-HOUSING
  - "D" Found ineligible on EO-EMPLOYMENT
  - "E" Found ineligible on LOW/MOD HOUSING.
- (2) The Date of Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C22) must be entered as the date of the memorandum to

Headquarters recommending disapproval of the eligibility request.

(d). Each time Phase I of the process is halted because the request is returned (incomplete) to or withdrawn by the requestor, two data values must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C21) must be entered as "R" for those requests returned to the requestor and "W" for those withdrawn by the requestor.
- (2) The Date of Disposition of Eligibility Determination (C22) must be entered as the date of the letter to the jurisdiction confirming the action.

## 2. Phase II - Geographic Area Eligibility for Pocket of Poverty

(a). Each time a Request for a Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination for a specific geographic area is received by the Area Office, the Area Office must assign an Application Grant Number (C200) to the request and create a grant record on the Data Base. The Fiscal Year of the Application Grant number must be entered as 00. The Pocket of Poverty data elements (C370, C371, and C372) will be entered into this grant level record. The Date Requested Eligibility Determination Received (C370) must be entered. This date normally is stamped on the documents by the mailroom.

(b). Each time Phase II of the process has been approved, two data values must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C371) must be entered as "B" (Found eligible for pocket of poverty);
- (2) The Date of Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C372) must be entered as the date of the letter to the jurisdiction informing them of the eligibility approval.

(c). Each time Phase II of the process has been disapproved, two data values must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C371) must be entered as one of the following:

"J" Found ineligible POCKET/POPULATION  
"K" Found ineligible POCKET/POVERTY  
"L" Found ineligible POCKET/INCOME.

- (2) The Date of Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C372) must be entered as the date of the memorandum to Headquarters recommending disapproval of the request.
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(d). Each time Phase II of the process is halted because the request is returned (incomplete) to or withdrawn by the requestor, two data must be entered:

- (1) The Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C371) must be entered as "R" for those requests returned to the requestor and "W" for those withdrawn.
  - (2) The Date of Disposition Pocket of Poverty Eligibility Determination (C372) must be entered as the date of the letter to the jurisdiction confirming the action.
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