



Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
Grantee Reporting and Program Guidance-Appendix



**OHHLHC ARRA Grantee Program Guidance – 2009-01
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Dear Recovery Act Grantee:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA or Recovery Act) was enacted in February 2009 in response to the severe economic conditions affecting our Nation. The Recovery Act has five main purposes to improve the economy. They are:

1. To preserve and create jobs and promote economic recovery.
2. To assist those most impacted by the recession.
3. To provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health.
4. To invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits.
5. To stabilize State and local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counterproductive state and local tax increases.

As a recipient of Recovery Act funds, you are an integral part of HUD's investment in creating healthy housing, creating jobs, revitalizing and stabilizing neighborhoods, and stimulating economic development. As you implement your healthy homes programs, the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control remains committed to providing you with the necessary guidance and program support to ensure that you succeed. The *Grantee Reporting and Program Guidance* is the first step in our effort to provide you with the tools needed to achieve the goals of ARRA. Updates and additional guidance will be provided as information from OMB and HUD is received.

Purpose of Guidance Material

The Recovery Act requires transparency and accountability in the use of Recovery Act funding with two specific provisions, Section 1512 and Section 1609 in the Act requiring quarterly reporting on the part of agencies and grantees. Recipients of ARRA funds are required to report on the use of these funds and on the status of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). These two statutory provisions have been supplemented, as directed by the Recovery Act, by guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The purpose of the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC) guidance is to provide OHHLHC Recovery Act Grantees with program specific information necessary to effectively implement the reporting requirements included in Section 1512 and Section 1609 as well as other requirements of the Recovery Act.

The Grantee Reporting and Program Guidance document has two parts and an Attachment:

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| Part 1 | Provides information and details pertaining to Registration and Reporting as required by Section 1512 and 1609 of the Recovery Act |
| Part 2 | Provides grantee program information related to the Quarterly Progress Reporting System (QPRS), ARRA grant agreements and amendments, waivers, Davis-Bacon, and other Recovery Act information |
| Attachment | Reference and resource materials, Sub-recipient/Vendor Determination Worksheet, and other related Recovery Act information |