

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING
 NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS
 2008 Summary Statement and Initiatives
 (Dollars in Thousands)

NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS	<u>Enacted/ Request</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	<u>Supplemental/ Rescission</u>	<u>Total Resources</u>	<u>Obligations</u>	<u>Outlays</u>
2006 Appropriation	\$8,815	...	-\$88	\$8,727	...	...
2007 Full-Year CR Estimate.....	...	\$8,727	...	8,727	\$6,000	\$2,000
2008 Request	<u>5,940</u>	<u>2,727</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>8,667</u>	<u>5,940</u>	<u>3,000</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets	+5,940	-6,000	...	-60	-60	+1,000

Summary Statement

The Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) requests \$5.9 million for the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grants (NHHBG) account for fiscal year 2008. This is the same as the fiscal year 2007 President's request and an increase of \$5.9 million above the fiscal year 2007 continuing resolution estimate. The Department is also requesting \$299 thousand as a set-aside for training, technical assistance, and related travel in fiscal year 2008. This program provides grants for housing and housing-related assistance to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL). From fiscal year 2002 through fiscal year 2005, on average, Congress annually provided \$9.4 million for the NHHBG program as a set-aside under the Community Development Fund. The Department requested, and Congress appropriated, \$8.8 million as a separate account in fiscal year 2006.

Initiatives

In fiscal year 2008, the Department is not proposing any new initiatives.

Strategic Goals and Objectives

The Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program supports the President's goal and the Department's Goal A: Increase homeownership opportunities. Through this program, the grantee will assist 101 families by building, acquiring, or rehabilitating homeownership units.

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 Summary of Resources by Program
 (Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Budget Activity</u>	<u>2006 Budget Authority</u>	<u>2005 Carryover Into 2006</u>	<u>2006 Total Resources</u>	<u>2006 Obligations</u>	<u>2007 CR Estimate</u>	<u>2006 Carryover Into 2007</u>	<u>2007 Total Resources</u>	<u>2008 Request</u>
Formula Grants	\$8,378	...	\$8,378	...	...	\$8,378	\$8,378	\$5,641
Technical Assistance ..	<u>349</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>299</u>
Total	8,727	...	8,727	...	...	8,727	8,727	5,940

<u>FTE</u>	<u>2006 Actual</u>	<u>2007 Estimate</u>	<u>2008 Estimate</u>
Headquarters	1	1	1
Field	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>
Total	1	1	1

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Program Offsets
(Dollars in Thousands)**

Formula Grants	<u>Amount</u>
2006 Appropriation	\$8,378
2007 Full-Year CR Estimate.....	...
2008 Request	<u>5,641</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets	+5,641

Proposed Actions

The Department proposes \$5.6 million for NHHBG in fiscal year 2008 to provide grants for housing and housing-related assistance to eligible Native Hawaiian families through the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. The Hawaiian Homelands Homeownership Act of 2000 (25 U.S.C. 4221 et seq.) was signed on December 27, 2000. Numerous studies have documented the housing needs of Native Hawaiians who are either eligible to reside on, or now live on, the Hawaiian Home Lands. Native Hawaiians experience the worst housing conditions in the State of Hawaii and constitute approximately 30 percent of its homeless population. HUD issued a 1995 report, which cited evidence that Native Hawaiians have the highest percentage of housing problems (49 percent) in the United States. Overcrowding in these households exceeds 36 percent, as compared to 3 percent of households throughout the Nation. This housing block grant program provides an allocation of funds to assist and promote affordable housing activities to develop, maintain and operate affordable housing for eligible low-income Native Hawaiian families.

The Office of Native American Programs (ONAP), under the jurisdiction of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, is tasked with the responsibility to administer all programs for American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians. All current programs, including the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant (NHHBG) program, (authorized by Title VIII of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, as amended (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.)), are managed by ONAP.

The NHHBG program provides annual grants to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) for housing and housing-related assistance, pursuant to an annual housing plan, within the area in which DHHL is authorized to provide that assistance. DHHL uses performance measures and benchmarks that are consistent with the national goals of the program, but it can base these measures on the needs and priorities that it establishes in its 5- and 1-year housing plans. ONAP staff monitor the DHHL to ensure compliance with the objectives of the housing plan.

The NHHBG allows the DHHL to develop and support affordable rental and homeownership housing and provide housing services through the following eligible activities:

Development. Grant funds may be used to support acquisition, new construction, reconstruction or moderate or substantial rehabilitation of affordable housing which may include real property acquisition, site improvement, development of utilities and utility services, conversion, demolition, financing, administration and planning, and other housing-related activities.

Housing Services. Grant funds may be used to support housing-related services including housing counseling in connection with rental or homeownership assistance, the establishment of resident management corporations, energy auditing, activities related to the provision of self-sufficiency and other services related to assisting owners, tenants, contractors and other entities participating or seeking to participate in other housing activities.

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Housing Management Services. Grant funds may be used to support management services for affordable housing, including the preparation of work specifications, loan processing, inspections, tenant selection, management of tenant-based rental assistance, and management of affordable housing projects.

Crime Prevention and Safety Activities. Grant funds may be used to support safety, security and law enforcement measures, and activities appropriate to protecting residents of affordable housing from crime.

Model Activities. The Department may approve housing activities under model programs that are designed to develop and support affordable housing.

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Technical Assistance	<u>Amount</u>
2006 Appropriation	\$349
2007 Full-Year CR Estimate.....	...
2008 Request	<u>299</u>
Program Improvements/Offsets	+299

Proposed Actions

The Department is requesting \$299 thousand for Technical Assistance, of which up to \$100,000 may be used for related travel. This will support contract expertise, training and technical assistance to engage in the management and oversight of Native Hawaiian housing. These activities include, but are not limited to, training, technical assistance and related travel for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and certain non-profit organizations.

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Performance Measurement Table**

Program Name: NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT FUND					
Program Mission: The Hawaiian Homelands Homeownership Act of 2000 (25 U.S.C. 4221 et seq.) was signed on December 27, 2000. Numerous studies have documented the housing needs of Native Hawaiians who are either eligible to reside on, or now live on, the Hawaiian Home Lands. Native Hawaiians experience the worst housing conditions in the State of Hawaii and constitute approximately 30 percent of its homeless population. The Department issued a 1995 report, which cited evidence that Native Hawaiians have the highest percentage of housing problems (49 percent) in the United States. Overcrowding in these households exceeds 36 percent, as compared to 3 percent of households throughout the nation. This housing block grant program provides an allocation of funds to assist and promote affordable housing activities to develop, maintain and operate affordable housing for eligible low-income Native Hawaiian families.					
Performance Indicators	Data Sources	Performance Report		Performance Plan	
		2006 Plan	2006 Actual	2007 Plan	2008 Plan
Through the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant (NHHBG) program, the grantee will assist 101 families by building, acquiring, or rehabilitating homeownership units.	PIH ONAP administrative data	90	23	101	101

Explanation of Indicators

Indicator: Through the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program, the grantee will assist 101 families by building, acquiring, or rehabilitating homeownership units.

The Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant (NHHBG) program is modeled after the Native American Housing Block Grant. This program provides block grant funding to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to carry out affordable housing activities for Native Hawaiian families who are eligible to reside on the Hawaiian Home Lands.

The NHHBG program has one grantee, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL), which provides services to eligible Native Hawaiian families. The NHHBG program is a relatively new program; the initial grant agreement between HUD and the grant recipient was executed in August 2002. Most of the programmatic activity by the grant recipient consists of infrastructure and site development, which is essential to support and facilitate future home construction. Activities also include housing construction and rehabilitation, and other housing-related activities. Rehabilitation activities began to show progress in fiscal year 2006. DHHL has the discretion, within the statutory confines of the program, to decide what types of housing assistance to provide with program funds.

The indicator supports the Department's Strategic goal (A2) of increasing minority homeownership. Program activity also fosters suitable living environments in communities by improving physical conditions and quality of life (HUD's strategic goal C3). This program activity positively affects the overall housing inventory, which supports HUD's goal to end chronic homelessness and move homeless families and individuals to permanent housing (C4).

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In fiscal year 2005, 72 Native Hawaiian families received a new home under this program. The fiscal year 2006 plans originally called for 188 families to either receive a new home, or have their current home rehabilitated. This target was reduced to 90 in March 2006, based on the grantee's Native Hawaiian Housing Plan. In fiscal year 2006, this program built 12 new homeownership units and acquired 11 units, for a total of 23 households assisted. Although this represents only 25 percent of the annual goal, there are more than 100 new units in the construction pipeline and almost 100 rehabilitation projects are expected to be completed within the first quarter of fiscal year 2007. The goal for both fiscal years 2007 and 2008 is to assist 101 families. The new targets for this output goal are realistic and attainable, and upon achievement, will indicate a thriving program and steady progress toward long-term goals. A full-time Native Hawaiian program specialist is stationed in the Hawaii State Office to assist DHHL. As the program matures, it is anticipated that the program activity will increase.

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Justification of Proposed Changes in Appropriations Language**

For the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant program, as authorized under title VIII of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.), \$5,940,000 to be available until expended, of which \$299,211 shall be for training and technical assistance activities including up to \$100,000 for related travel.

Explanation of Changes

There are no proposed changes.

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 Crosswalk of 2006 Availability
 (Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Budget Activity</u>	<u>2006 Enacted</u>	<u>Supplemental/ Rescission</u>	<u>Approved Reprogrammings</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	<u>Total 2006 Resources</u>
Formula Grants	\$8,462	-\$84	\$8,378
Technical Assistance	<u>353</u>	<u>-4</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>349</u>
Total	8,815	-88	8,727

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 Crosswalk of 2007 Changes
 (Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Budget Activity</u>	2007 President's Budget <u>Request</u>	FY 2007 <u>CR Estimate</u>	2007 Supplemental/ <u>Rescission</u>	<u>Reprogrammings</u>	<u>Carryover</u>	Total 2007 <u>Resources</u>
Formula Grants	\$5,641	\$8,378	\$8,378
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