

**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

**[Docket No. FR-5300-C-23]**

**HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 NOFA for the HOPE VI Revitalization Grants Program;  
Technical Correction**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability (NOFA) for the HOPE VI Revitalization Grants Program; correction.

**SUMMARY:** On July 14, 2009, HUD posted on its website the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the HOPE VI Revitalization Grants Program for Fiscal Year 2009. This notice makes certain technical corrections to the NOFA in order to foster greater ease in understanding for potential grant applicants regarding the requirements set forth in this NOFA.

**DATES:** The application submission date for the HOPE VI Revitalization grant applications under this NOFA remains unchanged, as previously posted on the HUD website and Grants.gov website. The application submission date is November 17, 2009.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions concerning these technical corrections, please contact Ms. Leigh van Rij, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington DC, 20410-5000; telephone (202) 402-5788 (this is not a toll-free number); email [leigh\\_e.\\_van\\_rij@hud.gov](mailto:leigh_e._van_rij@hud.gov). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access these numbers via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

On July 14, 2009, HUD posted its FY2009 HOPE VI Revitalization Grants Program NOFA. Today's publication corrects certain sections of that NOFA. The technical corrections described will be provided on Grants.gov as well. Applicants who have submitted their applications prior to this publication can choose to resubmit an updated application that reflects the corrections and clarifications. The last application received by Grants.gov by the deadline will be the application that is reviewed and rated.

Subsequent to publication, it was determined that language in the Land Use threshold requirement needed to be corrected to clarify that the threshold applies to on-site and off-site land. This correction is made in this document. Additionally, it was discovered that two dates (HUD's required obligation date and the grantees' required expenditure date) needed to be corrected to reflect the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-8, approved March 11, 2009). This correction notice clarifies that HUD must obligate the grant funds by September 30, 2010 and that grantees then have until September 30, 2015 to expend the grant funds. This correction notice also corrects an inconsistent number in the Quality and Results Orientation – Early Childhood Education, Post Revitalization Rating Factor, clarifying that the early childhood educational program should include intensive community outreach with a goal of enrolling at least 65 percent, not 75 percent, of the families with children ages zero to five that will occupy the revitalized site. Finally, this correction clarifies the application submission requirements for the Green Development and Energy Efficiency Strategies Rating Factor.

## **I. Technical Corrections**

### *1. Land Use*

(1) On page 19, Section III.C.2.a(2), entitled "(2) Threshold: Land Use," 4<sup>th</sup> line. Delete "off-site" from the two places it appears in that line so that the line reads: "...any housing and

other proposed uses, or that the request for such approval(s) is....” This revises the full sentence so that it reads: “Your application must include a certification from the appropriate local official (not the Executive Director) documenting that all required land use approvals for developed and undeveloped land, whether on the original site or off-site, have been secured for any housing and other proposed uses, or that the request for such approval(s) is on the agenda for the next meeting of the appropriate authority in charge of land use.”

### *2. Grantee’s Required Expenditure Dates*

(1) On page 61, Section III.C.3.v, entitled “Timeliness of Development Activity,” 4<sup>th</sup> line. Delete “2014” and replace it with “2015.” This revises the full sentence to read as follows: “Grantees should also refer to section IV.E, Funding Restrictions, for the required expenditure date for FY 2009 HOPE VI grant funds, which is September 30, 2015.”

(2) On page 112, Section IV.E.1.b, entitled “Required Expenditure Date,” 2<sup>nd</sup> line. Delete “2014” and replace it with “2015.” This revises the full sentence to read as follows: “In accordance with 31 U.S.C. § 1552, all FY 2009 HOPE VI funds must be expended by September 30, 2015.”

### *3. HUD’s Required Obligation Date*

(1) On page 112, Section IV.E.1.a, entitled “Required Obligation Date,” 2<sup>nd</sup> line. Delete “2009” and replace it with “2010.” This revises the full sentence to read as follows: “Funds appropriated for the HOPE VI program for FY 2009 must be obligated by HUD on or before September 30, 2010.”

### *4. Quality and Results Orientation – Early Childhood Education, Post Revitalization Rating Factor*

(1) On page 142, Section V.A.6.e(4)(c), 3<sup>rd</sup> line. Delete “75” and replace it with “65” so that the full sentence reads as follows: “(c) You will receive zero points if you do not identify or commit to implement a high quality early childhood education program such as described above, if you do not commit to the 65 percent goal, if you do not indicate how you will continue this early childhood education program beyond the grant period, or if you do not address any of the criteria in (a) above.” This correction makes Section V.A.6.e(4)(c) consistent with the 65 percent, which is the correct number, identified in Section V.A.6.e(4)(a), 6<sup>th</sup> line, on page 141.

#### *5. Green Development and Energy Efficient Strategies*

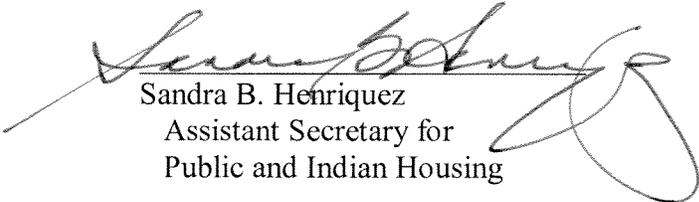
(1) On page 159, Section V.A.10.g, entitled “Green Development and Energy Efficiency Strategies,” 4<sup>th</sup> line. Add after the end of the last sentence: “Applicants must respond to the respective rating factor below in their narrative. Attachment 35 is available if applicants need space in addition to their narrative to respond to this rating factor.”

(2) On page 160, Section V.A.10.g(1), entitled “Green Development,” 4<sup>th</sup> line. After the word “that,” add “certify that and describe how they will” so that the full sentence reads as follows: “These points are available to applicants that certify that and describe how they will fulfill the requirements of one of several recognized green rating programs, including...”

(3) On page 160, Section V.A.10.g(1), entitled “Green Development,” 9<sup>th</sup> line. Delete “(in the attachments section of your application).” Add “, if funded,” after the word “applicant,” so that the full sentence reads as follows: “For green programs that require third-party certification, the applicant, if funded, must provide evidence of such certification after construction of the units.”

(4) On page 160, Section V.A.10.g(1), entitled “Green Development,” 11<sup>th</sup> line. Add “, if funded,” after the word “applicant,” so that the full sentence reads as follows: “For green programs that require self-certification, the applicant, if funded, must provide evidence of self-certification, such as the Enterprise Green Communities Checklist.”

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