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[HUD's Office of Native American Programs](#) (ONAP) administers housing and community development programs that benefit American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal governments, Tribal members, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Native Hawaiians, and other Native American organizations.

The [Eastern Woodlands Office](#) (EWONAP) serves 66 Tribes within 16 states and 6 HUD regions. EWONAP administers over \$80 million in IHBG funds, over \$60 million in Section 184 Native American Home Mortgages, and approximately \$6 million in ICDBG funds in its region annually.

Eastern Woodlands Region



For more information about ONAP funding and programs, visit the [CodeTalk website](#).

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INDIAN COUNTRY NEWS AND EVENTS

Obama Signs Compromise Budget: On December 26th, President Obama signed [a compromise budget](#) that reduces the risk of another government shutdown. From the [NAIHC Federal Monitor](#), “With the passage of the agreement, the House and Senate appropriations committees will have more money to fund discretionary programs. How these increases are allocated among the 12 appropriations subcommittees, however, has not been finalized. Whether the budget agreement will ultimately result in increased funding for specific federal programs will not be known until the appropriators unveil the FY 2014 omnibus spending bill” expected in early January. Additionally, if Congress does not raise the debt limit, a partial shutdown may occur in when it expires on February 7th, 2014.

Secret Auction Bids Bring Hopi Artifacts Home – Despite legal efforts by the Hopi Tribe, United States officials and others to block the sale in a French court, over 100 Native American artifacts were to be auctioned in Paris on December, 9th 2013. The Annenberg Foundation planned to buy 24 Hopi artifacts and 3 sought by the San Carlos Apaches, and return them to the Tribes. The foundation was successful in securing 21 of the 24 Hopi sacred pieces and all 3 of those for San Carlos Apache, spending over \$530,000. The Tribes were surprised to learn of the

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foundation's benevolent scheme and are now working with the Annenberg to arrange safe transport of the delicate sacred artifacts home. For the full NY Times article, [click here](#).

Nominations Sought for [Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development](#) award, [Honoring Nations](#):

The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development at the Kennedy School of Government conducts a national awards program called "Honoring Nations" that spotlights innovative public sector initiatives to shift public perceptions about government and to encourage the replication of effective problem-solving. The 2014 awards will be Honoring Nations' 10th year of awards. If you know of any tribal governance programs that should be considered for an Honoring Nations award please contact Jessica Packineau (jessica_packineau@hks.harvard.edu or 617-495-8998) or Megan Hill (megan_hill@harvard.edu or 617-496-4229). For more information about Honoring Nations, [click here](#).

Nominations for the Department of Health and Human Services Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC):

HHS Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC) seeks nominations for primary delegates for each of the areas and national at-large positions that have an open seat. The STAC's purpose is to coordinate and incorporate tribal guidance into HHS priorities, policies, and budget. There are seventeen positions available: one delegate (and one alternate) from each of the twelve Indian Health Service (IHS) areas and one delegate (and one alternate) for the five National At-Large Members positions. Nominations are due by **January 7, 2014**. Submit your nomination letter to: Paul Dioguardi, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 620-E, Washington, DC 20201. Fax: (202)205-2727. E-mail: STAC@hhs.gov. For more information, see Secretary Sebelius's [Dear Tribal Leader Letter](#) or the [HHS STAC Website](#).

New Federal Audit Clearinghouse Website: Entities required to submit financial audit reports should become familiar with the Federal Audit Clearinghouse website. All Single Audit Submissions must be submitted via this new website. Each client will need to create their own user account within the Federal Audit Clearinghouse website. Clients are encouraged to become familiar with the new site and process. [Click here for instructions](#).

Bureau of Indian Affairs is Seeking Comments on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for the Reporting System for the Indian Employment, Training, & Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 (as amended) Demonstration Project. Public Law 102-477 authorizes tribal governments to integrate federally funded employment, training, and related services and programs into a single, coordinated, comprehensive service delivery plan. The collected information allows the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) to document satisfactory compliance with statutory, regulatory, and other requirements of the various integrated programs. [Click here](#) for the Federal Register Notice. Submit comments on or before **Jan. 6, 2014**, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or by email to: OIRA-Submission@omb.eop.gov. with copies of your comments to Jack Stevens, Division Chief, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, 1951 Constitution Avenue NW., MS-20 SIB, Washington, DC 20240; facsimile: (202) 208-4564; email: Jack.Stevens@bia.gov.

BIE American Indian Education Study Group Request for Comments & Suggestions: Secretary Sally Jewell, Department of the Interior, and Secretary Duncan, Department of Education, are seeking additional comments and convened the American Indian Education Study Group to "focus on how to facilitate Tribal sovereignty in American Indian education, and how to improve educational outcomes for students at [Bureau of Indian Education] funded schools." Comments and suggestions can be submitted via email to: iaedsolutions@bia.gov. For more information see the [Study Group's Flyer](#).

NATIONAL ONAP NEWS

The Fall 2013 issue of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco's *Community Investments* focused on a selection of Native initiatives across the country to learn how Native communities are partnering with federal agencies to build and support sustainable housing in Indian Country, and establish modern water and sewer systems for remote Native communities in Alaska. It features an article co-authored by EWONAP Native American Programs Specialist and HUD Region 5 Sustainability Officer, Brian Gillen, entitled 'Building Green and Respecting Native Identity: Housing, Culture, and Sustainability in Native American Communities'. [Click here for the publication.](#)

HUD Releases Income Limits for 2014: HUD released the 2014 income limits are used to determine income eligibility for HUD's assisted housing programs, including public housing, Section 8, Section 202 and Section 811. Income limits that are used to determine qualification levels and to set maximum rental rates for low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) or tax-exempt bond projects, which HUD refers to as Multi-family Tax Subsidy Projects (MTSPs). [Click here for the income limits.](#)

HUD and the U.S. Department of Transportation Sustainable Communities Joint Project launched the Location Affordability Portal (LAP), a cost calculation tool that allows users to estimate housing and transportation costs for neighborhoods across the country. The LAP will help consumers and communities better understand the combined costs of housing and transportation associated with living in a specific region, street, or neighborhood and make better-informed decisions about where to live, work, and invest. [Click here for the portal.](#)

All HUD Offices will be closed Monday January 20th, 2014 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

EWONAP REGIONAL NEWS AND EVENTS

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 2014 State of Indian Nations Address will be held on January 30th, 2014 at the Newseum in Washington, D.C. For more information, [click here.](#)

United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) Impact Week Meeting will be held February 3-6th, 2014 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, VA. To register, [click here.](#)

National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) Legislative Conference will be held February 25th to 27th, 2014 at the Mayflower Renaissance in Washington, D.C. For more information, [click here.](#)

Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) Impact Week Meeting will be held in Washington, D.C. at the Holiday Inn Capitol, March 17th to 20th, 2014. For more information, [click here.](#)

EWONAP OFFICE NEWS AND EVENTS

EWONAP Grants Management Team Leader, Robert Neal, has retired. The Grantees he served will be notified of their new Grants Management Specialist.

Former EWONAP Grants Evaluation Specialist, Andrew Barlo, passed on December 27th, 2013. He retired from ONAP with 18 years of federal service.

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EWONAP Offers Free Specialized Technical Assistance (TA) for Tribal and TDHE grant recipients. TA is available in a variety of topic areas related to Indian housing programs, administration & management, and financing. Tribes or TDHE's are encouraged to request training and/or technical assistance by contacting Grants Management Specialist, Mary White, at 312.913.8762 or mary.white@hud.gov.

Collecting IHBG Leveraging Success Stories- EWONAP would like to collect housing development success stories that illustrate the impact of IHBG funding. Specifically, we are looking to highlight how IHBG funds can be optimized when leveraged with Low Income Housing Tax Credits, New Market Tax Credits, Section 184, Title VI and private loans, or funds from state and federal partners. Please send us your project press releases and let us share your accomplishments with Congress and other Tribes. [Click here to set up a short conference call.](#)

Join the EWONAP Bulletin listserve here. Please share the link with others who may be interested in receiving the EWONAP Information Bulletin.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

Check the HUD ONAP Calendar of Upcoming Training here.

January 7-9, 2014, Denver, CO- HUD ONAP Training- Occupancy & Maintenance: Save the Date: FREE training for recipients of Indian Housing Block Grant funds. Course will cover Tribal housing occupancy and unit maintenance requirements to insure compliance with the IHBG program. For details and registration information, visit [NAIHC](#) or call 202-789-1754.

NEW! January 7, 2014, Native Learning Center Webinar 1-3pm EST- Food Safety and Preparation: Food contamination can occur as a result of improper handling, preparation, and/or storage of the foods we consume daily. Whether you prepare meals at home or in a commercial kitchen, practicing food safety is essential to protecting your family and communities against food borne illnesses. To register, [click here](#). For more information about Native Learning Center Webinars, [click here](#).

NEW! January 9th, 2014, Native Learning Center Webinar 2-4pm EST- Tribal Governments 101: Today Tribal governments provide basic infrastructure to homes, roadways, and facilities as well as a broad range of governmental services on and off tribal lands. Tribal leadership requires staff, directors, council and other leadership to coordinate activities, engage in policy development, and so much more. This course will provide an overview of the challenges and opportunities to provide quality services to native communities. To register, [click here](#). For more information about Native Learning Center Webinars, [click here](#).

NEW! January 14th, 2014, Native Learning Center Webinar, 1-3pm EST- Sustainable Communities in Indian Country: In order to promote a healthier environment void of contaminants that can impact our air, land, and water quality, there are many preventative steps communities can take. Becoming an environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable Tribal community, requires that we all try to identify ways to reduce our exposure to hazardous materials. To register, [click here](#). For more information about Native Learning Center Webinars, [click here](#).

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

January 14-16, Reno, NV- HUD ONAP NAHASDA Essentials Training: Participants will become familiar with all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics that will be covered include the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration. This foundational course will acquaint Tribal and TDHE staff with the basic requirements of the IHBG Program and opportunities that are available. The training will be presented through case studies, group discussions, team games, lectures and hands-on exercises. To register, [click here](#).

January 14-16, Tacoma, WA- HUD ONAP Training- Occupancy: This course will cover Admissions and Occupancy program management with topics to include the application and selection process, eligibility for housing assistance, calculating annual income, determining monthly rental or homeownership payments, occupancy standards, collections practices and compliance, effective communication techniques with residents, lease agreement compliance, and collections. Participants should refer to copies of their own Admissions and Occupancy policies so that they can practice applying them to case studies and role playing exercises presented during this course. The course will also examine how maintaining high standards in the Admissions and Occupancy program affects the overall management of tribal housing programs. [Click here to register](#).

NEW! January 14-15, Atlanta, GA- HUD ONAP Training Alternative Funding Sources: Many tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) rely on the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program as their primary source of housing development funds. Often housing need outstrips available funding. Leveraging Federal financial resources can boost the spending power of IHBG to better meet need and create greater housing and economic development opportunities. This 2-day HUD-sponsored training will discuss programs and leveraging tools that can help lower financing costs and rents, including the NAHASDA Title VI Loan Guarantee Program, Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program and Community Investment Program/Community Housing Program finance options, HUD HOME and Section 202 programs, and U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Section 538 and Section 515 programs, as well as state-funded grants and programs. [To register, click here](#).

NEW! January 16th, 2014, Native Learning Center Webinar, 2-3pm EST- Financial Wellness: This course will give participants information about the importance of financial responsibility. We will highlight how to create a budget that meets life's demands. We will also explain how purchases and payments paint your financial picture called a credit report. To register, [click here](#). For more information about Native Learning Center Webinars, [click here](#).

January 28 - 30, 2014, Hollywood, FL- Building Native Communities Certification Program- First Nations Oweesta Corporation is pleased to be collaborating with the Native Learning Center and KeyBank to host the next Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families, fourth edition, Certified Instructor Training, hosted January 28-30, 2014 at the Native Learning Center, Hollywood, FL. This three-day training will offer, state-of-the-art instructor training and certification program to help Native CDFIs, Tribes and other Native organizations establish and sustain financial education programs in their communities. The course will provide effective training techniques and resources and an in-depth look at the Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families curriculum. Organizations will gain access to a new innovative

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evaluation approach that will assist in the gathering of impact data. In addition to certification and evaluations, participants may be eligible for follow up technical assistance from Oweesta to create and sustain their financial education programs in local communities.

[Click here for application.](#)

NEW! February 4-5, 2014, Albuquerque, NM – HUD ONAP Training- Board of Commissioners and Housing Board Training:

This two-day interactive course is designed to develop the Housing Board's knowledge of the federal rules and requirements related to accepting Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funding and familiarize attendees with the operation of the Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE) and their role as the Board in this industry. It will cover the history of Indian Housing to the current statute governing the eligible activities and the required policies. It will also include the planning and controlling aspect of management. The course offers information on conflict of interest, the business meeting, setting agendas, the roles and responsibilities of officers and other helpful tips in conducting business. Other discussion will include the review of applicable federal and tribal laws that may impact the process. Case studies will be reviewed and participants should refer to their own policies in determining the desired outcome when working on the Board exercises. [To register, click here.](#) [For the agenda, click here.](#)

February 4-5, Tacoma, WA- HUD ONAP Training- Construction Administration: Learn how to manage construction in Native communities from the drafting table to the grand opening. This 2-day training will offer IHBG Grantees the skills to understand the process of construction administration. Training topics include basic administrative skills, reading schematics and drawings, understanding the project manual, contracting, construction, and closeout. Topics of special interest include contracting for rehabilitation work and also special procurement and construction issues such as design-build, force account, small purchase, and non-competitive. To register, [click here](#) or call 202-393-6400. Also available Phoenix, AZ March 4-5, 2014.

NEW! Feb. 6-7, 2014, Albuquerque, NM- HUD ONAP Training-Procurement: This two-day course will bring you up-to-date on current procurement practices as they affect contract administration and procurement in the purchasing of materials or services for tribal housing organizations. The course is interactive and not only provides classroom theory, but practical application through exercises, case studies, role plays, discussions and quizzes. Participants will develop a solid foundation in Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funded procurement & contract management. For the agenda, [click here.](#) To register, [click here.](#)

March 17-20, 2014, Las Vegas, NV- National Reservation Economic Summit: The 28th Annual National Reservation Economic Summit in Las Vegas will feature respected tribal leaders, state, and local elected officials and top CEO's, networking, teaming opportunities, business development sessions, American Indian Procurement opportunities and much more. [Click here for more information.](#)

March 24–28, 2014, Denver, CO- Dept. of Energy's 2013 Tribal Energy Program Review: Originally scheduled for November 18–22, 2013, this event has been postponed until March 24–28, 2014 in Denver, Colorado. For more information, [click here.](#)

NEW! April 1 – 3, 2014, Green Bay, WI- Training for Building Sustainable Communities in Indian Country: This three day conference will provide Tribal communities with the tools to develop economic opportunities, sustainable community infrastructures, alternative energy sources, and provide essential building blocks to create safer communities. Participants will join critical sessions related to Tribal housing programs and to HUD's Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program. Topics include NAHASDA related courses, youth and elder opportunities, and crime prevention. It will be held at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Green Bay. For more information and to register, [click here.](#)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

NEW! April 14-17, 2014, Green Bay, WI- Food Sovereignty Summit: If you are interested in Native food sovereignty, please attend the 2nd Annual Native Food Sovereignty Summit. It will be held in Green Bay, Wisconsin, April 14-17, 2014. It is co-sponsored by First Nations Development Institute, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, the Intertribal Agriculture Council and Northeast Wisconsin Technical College. [To register, click here.](#)

ONGOING: [IRS's Indian Tribal Governments](#) office is offering the [Tribal Bonds Financing: The Basics](#) phone forum recording. The 40-minute presentation covers Tribal bonds fundamentals, the benefits of Tribal Economic Development Bonds, and clean renewable energy bonds. You can also [submit questions](#) about the phone forum contents.

ONGOING: [Native Learning Center Webinars:](#) The Native Learning Center offers FREE courses and trainings to Native Americans and Indigenous people with an emphasis on the educational needs of Tribal members and their communities. Course topics range from Tribal Management to Persuasive Writing. [Click here](#) for a calendar of upcoming courses.

NEW! ONGOING: [North Carolina Center for Environmental Farming Systems Apprenticeships-](#) CEFS is a partnership of North Carolina State University (NCSU), North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University, (NCA&TSU), and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS). Founded in 1994, CEFS is dedicated to sustainable agriculture research, extension and education. Our goals are to provide new economic opportunities in rural and urban communities, develop technologies that promote a cleaner and healthier environment, educate the next generation of farmers, consumers, and scientists, and engage all citizens in the food system. [Click here for apprenticeship applications.](#)

[New Guide: Advanced Energy Retrofits for Healthcare Facilities:](#) The healthcare sector, including hospitals and outpatient centers, is one of the most energy-intensive market segments. U.S. healthcare facilities spend \$8.8 billion/year on energy. Retro-commissioning and retrofit measures offer significant opportunities for energy savings. To download the guide, [click here.](#)

[On the Road to Reuse: Residential Demolition Bid Specification Development Tool](#) US EPA has completed its report on residential demolition practices that would be instructive to communities on best practices related to residential demolitions. The use of environmentally beneficial demolition practices can set the stage for green infrastructure construction and vacant lot revitalization. This report identifies environmentally sensitive activities of residential demolition from pre-planning to site rehabilitation. [Download the tool here.](#)

NEW! HUD's Office of Environment and Energy offers its [Environmental Review Resource Pages](#) on the OneCPD Resource Exchange: From the [Environmental Review resource pages](#) grantees can browse guidance, tools, and webinars on complying with environmental laws and authorities when conducting the environmental review, on disaster recovery, environmental impact statements, and upcoming environmental trainings and training materials.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

National Endowment for the Humanities: The Scholarly Editions and Translations program supports the preparation of editions and translations of pre-existing texts and documents of value to the humanities that are currently inaccessible or available in inadequate editions. Grants typically support editions and translations of significant literary, philosophical, and historical materials, but other types of work, such as musical notation, are also eligible. **Deadline: January 7, 2014.**

National Endowment for the Humanities: NEH Media Project Development Grants interactive digital media, film and television projects, and radio projects. Development grants enable media producers to collaborate with scholars to develop humanities content and to prepare programs for production. Grants should result in a script or a design document and should also yield a detailed plan for outreach and public engagement in collaboration with a partner organization or organizations. **Deadline: January 8th, 2014.**

America's Historical & Cultural Organizations Planning Grants: National Endowment for the Humanities planning grants support the early stages of humanities project development, including consultation with scholars, refinement of themes, preliminary design, and audience evaluation. Federally recognized Indian Tribal governments are eligible to apply. In most cases, grants in this program cover no more than 50-60% of project costs. **Deadline: January 8th, 2014.**

National Endowment for the Arts FY 2014 Our Town Initiative: All applications must involve two primary partners: a local government entity and a nonprofit organization. Grants range from \$25,000 to \$200,000 each. Federally recognized Tribal governments are eligible. These NEA grants are for creative place-making projects that contribute toward the livability of communities and help transform them into lively, beautiful, and sustainable places with the arts at their core. The Our Town Initiative will invest in creative and innovative projects in which communities, together with their arts and design organizations and artists, seek to improve their quality of life, foster stronger community identity and a sense of place, and revitalize economic development. **Deadline: January 13th, 2014.**

National Forest Foundation Grants: The program provides grants to community-based and national nonprofit organizations to engage in conservation initiatives that benefit National Forests and Grasslands with forest stewardship, watershed health and restoration, wildlife habitat improvement, and recreation issues. Nonprofit organizations, Native American Tribes, and universities are eligible to apply. **Deadline: January 14th, 2014.**

National Digital Newspaper Program Grants: The National Endowment for the Humanities will fund newspaper projects that convert pages published in a state or territory between 1836 and 1922 into digital files, primarily from microfilm. About 10 grants of up to \$350,000 over a 2-year period will be funded. Federally recognized Indian Tribal governments are eligible. **Deadline: January 15th, 2014.**

NEW! Artist Residencies for Native Artists: The Indian Arts Research Center (IARC) at the [School for Advanced Research](#) (SAR) offers three artist-in-residence fellowships annually to advance the work of mature and emerging Native artists. Each fellowship includes a monthly stipend, housing, studio space, a supplies allowance, and travel reimbursement to and from SAR. These fellowships provide time for artists to explore new avenues of creativity, grapple with new ideas to further advance their work, and strengthen existing talents. For more information, [click here](#). **Deadline: January 15th, 2014**

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Community Forest & Open Space Program (USDA Forest Service): Eligible entities: Local governments, federally recognized Tribes and Alaska Native corporations, & nonprofits eligible to hold title to land for conservation purposes. This grant program provides financial assistance to establish community forests that provide continuing and accessible community benefits. Community forests provide many benefits and can provide economic benefits through timber resources. For more info, visit the [opportunity synopsis](#) at Grants.gov. **Deadline: January 15th, 2014.**

Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes (HHS): Up to \$200,000 per year for a period of up to 5 years. The U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services seeks alternatives for runaway and homeless youth involved in law enforcement, child welfare, mental health, & juvenile justice systems. Funded transitional living programs will provide shelter, supervision, life & interpersonal skill building, career counseling, job skills, and medical care. Maternity group homes will provide the same services in addition to parenting instruction and child care. Native American Tribal governments (Federally recognized), Native American Tribal organizations are eligible. **Deadline: January 15th, 2014.**

EPA's Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving Request For Proposals - The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving (EJCPS) provides funding for eligible applicants (including federally recognized Tribes and Native American organizations) for projects that address local environmental and/or public health issues within an affected community. The EJCPS Program is designed to help communities understand and address exposure to multiple environmental harms and risks. For more information, [click here](#). To view the RFP, [click here](#). **Deadline, February 18, 2014.**

NEW! Department of Justice Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation NOFA: The U.S. Department of Justice is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding to improve public safety and victim services in Tribal communities. This solicitation provides federally-recognized Tribes and Tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues and to apply for funding. DOJ's existing Tribal government-specific programs are included in, and available through, this single [Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation](#). **Deadline: March 24, 2014.**

NEW! FTA Notice of Funding Projects in Response to Hurricane Sandy: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the availability of approximately \$3 billion in funds under the Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program and the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 for States, local governmental authorities, tribal governments, and other FTA recipients impacted by Hurricane Sandy, which affected mid-Atlantic and northeastern states in October 2012. For the full NOFA, [click here](#). **Deadline: March 28th, 2014.**

NEW! Department of Energy Tribal Funding Resource Database: The site lists information on grants and funding opportunities for Tribal energy projects from the DOE and other federal government programs. For more information, [click here](#).

NEW! Database of State Incentives for Renewables and Efficiencies (DSIRE): This is the most comprehensive source of information on incentives and policies that support renewables and energy efficiency. For more information, [click here](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

NEW! EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs Grants: The Economic Development Administration (EDA) supports development in economically distressed areas of the United States by fostering job creation and attracting private investment. Specifically, under the Economic Development Assistance programs (EDAP) Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) announcement, EDA will make construction, non-construction, and revolving loan fund investments under the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs. Grants made under these programs will leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace. **Deadline: Multiple funding cycles, [see announcement](#).**

Rural Business Cooperatives Loans & Grants: USDA Rural Development's Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant (REDLG) program for FY 2013. Funding will support \$33 million in loans and \$10 million in grants. **Deadline: OPEN**

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program: The FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program supports a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Funded projects include pre-fire planning for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities; fire and arson prevention and investigation; and fire prevention education and training programs. Fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations are eligible to apply. **Deadline: OPEN**

Indian Health Service Offers Loan Repayment Program: The Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program provides repayment of student loans to health and allied health professions in order to assure an adequate supply of trained health professionals necessary to maintain accreditation of, and provide health care services to, Indians through Indian health programs. There is a service obligation and payback requirement for participants of the LRP. To qualify for this benefit program, you must have student loan debt. You must also be qualified/certified/licensed in dentistry, family medicine, internal medicine, geriatric medicine, psychiatry, as a nurse or nurse anesthetist, or you must be a current or prospective student accepted or enrolled in an accredited degree program, college or university. For more info call 301-443-3396 or [click here](#). **Deadline: OPEN**

Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program: Many Tribes are now considering or utilizing Section 184 loans to develop up to 20 units of housing at a time. Some of the benefits include:

- Residential mortgage interest rates (which continue to be low)
- Low-down payment
- Rapid processing (may take longer if obtaining TSRs for Tribal Trust land)
- May utilize up to 15% for site infrastructure costs
- Flexibility in offering housing units on a rental or lease-to-own basis to Tribal members
- Nominal loan assignment fee
- No household income restrictions
- May utilize other funding to assist low-income families.

For more information on Section 184 financing or to schedule 184 Training, contact EWONAP Native American Program Specialist, Brian Gillen, at Brian.Gillen@hud.gov or 312.913.8626.

USEFUL LINKS

- [HUD ONAP CodeTalk website](#)
- [EWONAP website](#)
- [HUD Indian Housing Block Grant](#)
- [HUD Indian Community Development Block Grant](#)
- [HUD Section 184 Home Loan Guarantee](#)
- [HUD Title VI Loan Guarantee](#)
- [HUD Healthy Homes](#)
- [HUD ROSS Grant](#)
- [HUD's Office of Sustainable Housing](#)
- [HUD PIH Environmental Resources](#)
- [HUD PIH Notices to Tribes and TDHEs](#)
- [HHS Residential Energy Assistance Challenge Program](#)
- [HHS Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program](#)
- [DSIRE - Energy Efficiency Incentives](#)
- [USDA Rural Development Grants](#)
- [Army Corp of Engineers Tribal Resources](#)
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- [Grants.gov](#)
- [Federal Register Today](#)
- [White House Native Americans Resources Page](#)
- [DOT Tribal Transportation Program](#)
- [Safe Drinking Water and Basic Sanitation Task Force](#)
- [Asset Building for Native Communities](#)
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