

Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP)
FY 2014 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
Questions and Answers

1. On p. 56, the NOFA states that there are no bonus points available for this program, but on p. 59, the NOFA states that the maximum number of points to be awarded is 100 plus a potential 2 bonus points for applicants working with PSS communities. Are bonus two bonus points available under this NOFA?

RESPONSE: There are no bonus points associated with any FHIP initiative/component under this NOFA.

2. The NOFA chart showing the complete application package lists the logic model and “Management Questions” on page 37. Can you whether this is in error and whether applicants must submit Management Questions?

RESPONSE: The e-Logic Model has been removed from the FY 2014 NOFA along with any management questions.

3. If my organization receives a Private Enforcement Initiative-Multi-Year Component (PEI-MY) award, are we eligible to also receive funding under the Fair Housing Organization Initiative (FHOI) Component?

RESPONSE: Organizations receiving funds under PEI-MY may NOT also receive an award under the FHOI-Continued Development Component; however, they may receive an additional FHOI-Lending award.

4. On page 25 of the FHIP NOFA, it discusses activities for the PEI Pilot Program Tiers. Does an organization have to conduct the total number of activities yearly or are the numbers the total for all three years?

RESPONSE: Awarded applicants must maintain the total numbers on a yearly basis.

5. My organization would like to include additional training (and travel related) costs in the budget in excess of the \$10,000 allotted for each year of the grant. Is this permissible?

RESPONSE: No, this is not permissible. FHIP allows grantees to use a total of \$10,000 of their budget for all training related expenses. Grantees may identify in the budget narrative proposed training with the understanding that they must ensure that adequate funds are available for any HUD-mandated training events.

6. If my organization applies for the PEI tiered funding and is not selected but is awarded under the general PEI-MY component, will we have the opportunity to modify the Statement of Work (SOW) based on the funding amount received?

RESPONSE: Yes, successful applicants will have an opportunity to modify the SOW and budget during FHIP negotiations.

7. Is an Indian tribe eligible to receive an Education and Outreach grant if they are a local government?

RESPONSE: We cannot make the eligibility determination based on the assertion that the Indian tribe is a local government agency. We will review the application in its entirety to make a final eligibility determination.

8. If I am applying for the general PEI-MY component, does my organization have to meet the minimum tier outcome requirements identified in the PEI-MY Pilot Program?

RESPONSE: No, your organization is not required to meet the minimum outcome requirements under the Pilot Program. However, organizations should use sound judgment when determining activities and outcomes to be completed during the funding period.

9. Is my application ineligible if a large percentage or all of the activities are solely based on research?

RESPONSE: Yes, research projects are ineligible and will not be funded.

10. Is there a 10 page limit for all Rating Factors?

RESPONSE: Yes, there is a 10 page limit. However, the budget workplan and narrative do not count towards the 10 page limit per factor.