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Subject: FY 2013 Housing Counseling Training NOFA Published, & More Frequently Asked Questions for HUD's FY13 Housing Counseling NOFA have been published on HUD's website (part 3), & Three Training and Outreach Opportunities

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FY 2013 Housing Counseling Training NOFA Published:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5700-N-22]

TITLE: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD's Fiscal Year 2013 Housing Counseling Training Grant

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing – Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability for HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Housing Counseling Training Grant.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information and instructions for the FY2013 Housing Counseling Training Program. This notice is comprised of both the Notice of HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), Policy Requirements and General Section (General Section) to HUD's FY2013 NOFAs for Discretionary Programs, published August 8, 2012, and this Program Section to the NOFA.

APPLICATION RECEIPT DEADLINE DATE: The application deadline date is 11:59:59 p.m. eastern time, April 19, 2013. Applications must be received by Grants.gov no later than 11:59:59 p.m. eastern time of the application deadline date. See Section IV of the General Section, regarding application procedures, timely receipt requirements, and grace period policy. HUD may issue a technical correction to this NOFA if appropriations are enacted that require HUD to modify the funding criteria or application requirements, or if HUD determines that adjustments to estimated award amounts or timelines are necessary. Any such technical correction will provide detailed instructions for applicants regarding the resubmission of applications.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding specific program requirements should be directed to: housing.counseling@hud.gov Questions regarding the FY 2013 General Section should be directed to the HUD Office of Strategic Planning and Management, Grants Management Office, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 3156, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number 202-708-0667. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

To read this NOFA in its entirety please visit:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/nofa13/htc

AND

More Frequently Asked Questions for HUD's FY13 Housing Counseling NOFA have been published on HUD's website (part 3):

In order to assist Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) applicants, The HUD Office of Housing Counseling has published frequently asked questions and answers on the FY13 Housing Counseling NOFA. These questions are from NOFA applicants who emailed their questions to: housing.counseling@hud.gov You can view all the frequently asked questions on-line on HUD's website.

- Part 1 is on-line at:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=ohc_nofafaqs021813.pdf
- Part 2 is on-line at:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=ohc_nofafaqs030113.pdf
(pls see revised version)
- Part 3 is on-line at:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=ohc_nofafaqs031113.pdf

If you have any questions about the FY13 Housing counseling NOFA please send them to: housing.counseling@hud.gov If you missed the Housing Counseling NOFA Training Webinar the HUD Broadcast Live on 2/14/2013, an archive copy is available for you to view. The webinar discusses the FY2013 NOFA for HUD's Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program and changes to the application process including new charts, funding methodologies, rating factors with information on specific charts, as well as submission requirements and other technical issues. The Webinar Duration is 2 hours, Webinar and Course materials can be found at:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/talk/parc/phiarch

AND

Three Training and Outreach Opportunities:

1. February 28, 2013 - Webinar: Hardest Hit Fund Overview for Trusted Advisor. This "free" webinar is sponsored by the Making Home Affordable Program (MHA). In this information packed session, housing counselors will learn about the Hardest Hit Fund program from the Department of Treasury. This webinar will provide a detailed overview of the program, as well as recent updates. Learn about the different resources available to help you, the trusted advisor, assist homeowners in understanding their options. More info and registration at:
<https://mhaevents.webex.com/mhaevents/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=745584188>

2. March 23, 2013 - Atlanta, GA. Keys to success homebuyer event. Sponsored by HomeFree-USA. For more information please visit:
<http://www.homefreeusa.org/ht/d/sp/i/10412/pid/10412>
 3. An Archive copy of Freddie Mac's Hurricane Sandy and Disaster Relief Requirements Overview Presentation for housing counselors from February 22, 2013 is now available online at:
<http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/>
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Bulk subscriptions:

Some housing counselors have asked, "How do I sign up my entire agency staff for housing counseling listserv updates?" It is easy... Just list your staff email addresses like this:

aaa@xyz.com
bbb@xyz.com
ccc@xyz.com

You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Email your list to:
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If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 3 other ways to sign up: 1. send them this link:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_listserv
they can sign up for the listserv there; or 2: forward them this email; or 3: Visit:
<http://www.usa.gov> and subscribe at:
<http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php> To unsubscribe - go to:
<http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/subscribe/maillinglist> and click on "Housing Counseling" and follow the unsubscribe instructions on that page.

HUD Housing Counseling: www.hud.gov/housingcounseling

Events & Training Calendar:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC_TRAINING

Contracting Opportunities:
http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/cpo

Career Opportunities: <http://www.usajobs.gov>

Grant Opportunities:

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fund_savail

Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster

Foreclosure Assistance:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i_want_to/talk_to_a_housing_counselor

Making Home Affordable: <http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/pages/default.aspx>

This list will often provide training opportunities and event announcements for non-profit and local government HUD Housing Counseling partners. HUD does not endorse the organizations sponsoring linked websites, and we do not endorse the views they express or the products/services they or their community/business partners offer. For more information on HUD's web policies please visit:

<http://www.hud.gov/assist/webpolicies.cfm>

Thank you!!!!