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Webinar for HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies Applying for Supplemental FY2015 NOFA for HUD Comprehensive Grant Funds:

April 15, 2015 - Webinar: Supplemental FY2015 NOFA for HUD Comprehensive Grant Funds. This FREE webinar from the HUD Office of Housing Counseling will discuss the Supplemental FY2015 NOFA for HUD Comprehensive Grant Funds, and will cover changes to the application process including submission requirements and other technical issues. This webinar is highly recommended for all FY2015 Housing Counseling Supplemental NOFA applicants. Presented by HUD's Office of Housing Counseling.

Title: Webinar: Supplemental FY2015 NOFA for HUD Comprehensive Grant Funds.

Date: April 15, 2015

Time: 2:00 PM Eastern Time

Register [on-line](#) today to reserve your place. After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Webinar.

Learn more about this NOFA by visiting [grants.gov](#). Please review the [Listserv email](#) of March 11, 2015 "Reminder for All HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies Preparing to Submit Grant Applications to Grants.gov" for instructions on how to register with Grants.gov.

AND

New Training Updates for Housing Counselors:

1. **HUD OHC Training for Housing Counselors:** Visit the HUD Office of Housing Counseling (OHC) Training Calendar [on-line](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. [View System Requirements](#). All OHC webinars will be archived in the [OHC Webinar Archive](#). Please direct questions to: housing.counseling@hud.gov.

- April 08, 2015 - Webinar: IBIS-RMA Financial Assessment Software Demonstration for HECM Counselors. The training will be conducted by

the HUD Office of Single Family Development and IBIS Software Solutions. Register [on-line](#).

- April 14, 2015 - Webinar: Indirect Cost Rate/Fixed Rate Reimbursement/Cost Allocation. Register [on-line](#).
 - April 21, 2015 - Webinar: Grant Reporting. Learn about financial reporting requirements under HUD's housing counseling grant agreement including preparing Standard Form 425 (SF-425) quarterly and final reports, for LHCA's, SHFA's, MSO's and Intermediaries. Register [on-line](#).
 - HUD Exchange: HUD has launched an online curriculum, including video, dynamic presentations and self-paced training modules, designed to help HUD partners understand Federal financial requirements. The HUD Exchange Training and Events website also has many other courses and training opportunities of interest to housing counselors, non-profit and local government agencies. To access HUD Exchange you must first create an account. This [document](#) contains step by step instructions for creating an account on the HUD Exchange website. Once you have created an account, you will be able to access different HUD Exchange components. Visit [HUD Exchange](#) to learn more and register for training opportunities.
 - HUD Exchange Financial Management Curriculum: Completing the financial management curriculum will assist grantees and sub-recipients to comply with federal grant requirements, increase effectiveness, and maximize efficiency. The first course, Financial Management 101, provides an introduction to key topics and financial management basics. View [on-line](#).
- 2. IRS Educational Training for Exempt Organizations:** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) offers training for non-profit organizations. [View the IRS training calendar](#). Also [view the IRS webinar course catalog](#). The IRS provides training for tax-exempt organizations and charitable organizations seeking tax-exempt status [on-line](#). The site includes information for new applicants; information to help existing exempt organizations maintain their exemption; and more in-depth topics. Training dates include:
- May 12, 2015 - St. Louis, MO
 - May 14, 2015 - Springfield, MO
- 3. NeighborWorks® Training Opportunities:** More information can be found on their [training calendar](#). For on-line training visit NeighborWorks® [Training Website](#) to see their on-line course catalog and register for training opportunities.

- NeighborWorks Updated HECM Basics eLearning Course: Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) Counseling Basics Overview, an eLearning course, has been updated with the latest information on loan costs, loan calculation, payment plans, HECM counseling session requirements, and post-counseling follow-up. To register visit NW [online](#).
- The NeighborWorks Store: NeighborWorks Center for Homeownership Education and Counseling (NCHEC) is a leading resource on pre-purchase and post-purchase homeowner education. Prospective homeowners learn the entire home-buying process, from managing money and understanding credit to securing a mortgage loan and shopping for a home in Realizing the American Dream. The manual's teaching companion, realizing the American Dream Trainer's Manual, provides instructors with teaching tools, activities, worksheets and visual aids. Are you counseling homeowners? Keeping the American Dream will give them the skills they need to remain secure in their new home purchase. To learn more about these publications or make a purchase, visit the [NeighborWorks Store](#).
- NeighborWorks® Training Institutes: Learn, network and share best practices -- building your skills, maximizing your effectiveness and impact of your Agency.
 - May 04- 8, 2015 - Kansas City, MO. Register [on-line](#).

4. NHNLA Training for Housing Counselors: The National Council of La Raza Homeownership Network Learning Alliance (NHNLA) offers housing counselors extensive on-line and in-person training opportunities on a variety of topics. For more information, registration and course details, please visit the [NHNLA training Calendar](#). Please see the list of new courses below:

- May 13-15, 2015 - Hartford, CT: Housing Counseling Program Management, Financial Counseling, Housing Counseling Competency Certification Prep Course, Rental Counseling
- May 21, 2015 - Webinar: Fair Housing
- May 26, 2015 - Webinar: Basic Client Management Using Home Counselor
- May 27, 2015 - Webinar: Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) Counseling
- May 28, 2015 - Webinar: Advanced Client Management Using Home Counselor Online

5. Counselor's Corner Training: These webinars are refresher classes to help build competency in the Financial Management and Fair Housing topics. There is a fee for these webinars. Attendees must pass a short test after the webinar to receive a Certificate of Completion. Registration closes

24 hours before each webinar begins. For more information visit The Counselor's Corner [website](#).

- April 16, 2015 - Fair Housing - Register [on-line](#).
- April 28, 2015 - Fair Housing - Register [on-line](#) (this is the same as the April 16, 2015 webinar - select the date most convenient for you)

Webinar: Beginner Course - Certified Military Home Specialist Webinars training. Sponsored by The Counselor's Corner and Boots Across America. This beginner course is designed to acquaint housing professionals with military terminology that is often foreign to the housing community. The course provides the tools and introduces the skills needed by housing professionals to provide the expert service our military personnel need and deserve. This is a certification course, which is free. There is a fee for taking the exam online after the webinar. For more information visit the Counselors Corner [website](#).

- April 22, 2015 - Register [on-line](#).

6. FHA Servicing & Loss Mitigation Live Training:

- Classroom Training. Early Delinquency Servicing Activities and HUD's Loss Mitigation Training. Classroom training is for HUD-approved mortgagees, HUD-approved Housing Counselors, and Nonprofit Housing Counselors. For-profit Housing Counselors are not permitted to attend this training. This training covers a broad range and includes full coverage on: HUD Handbook 4330.1 REV-5, Chapter 7, Delinquencies, Defaults, Mortgage Collection Activities and HUD's Loss Mitigation Waterfall Program. Additionally, overviews will be presented pertaining to Extension of Time Requests and Variances and Single Family Default Monitoring System. No fee. Space is limited to 45 participants; Registration is first come, first served. For more information please email: eclass@hud.gov, Register [on-line](#). Training dates include:
 - May 12-13, 2015 - Oklahoma City, OK
 - August 11-12, 2015 - Oklahoma City, OK

FHA Servicing & Loss Mitigation Webinars:

- April 08, 2015 - Webinar: Neighborhood Watch System - Servicer Tools: Topics include: system access, servicing reports available, and how to utilize the case detail information available in Neighborhood Watch with the Loss Mitigation review process. Register [on-line](#).
- April 15, 2015 - Webinar: SFDMS - Reporting Basics: This training will provide guidance to FHA Servicers covering the basics of reporting

information on defaulted FHA loans to HUD through the Single Family Default Monitoring System (SFDMS). Topics include: deadlines, EDI files vs. manual reporting, reporting resources. Register [on-line](#).

- April 22, 2015 - Webinar: SFDMS - Reporting Examples: This training will provide FHA-Approved Servicers an opportunity to review various default scenarios and the SFDMS reporting that should be associated with each scenario. Examples will include: Default, Loss Mitigation, Bankruptcy, and Foreclosure. Register [on-line](#).
- April 29, 2015 - Webinar: SFDMS - Errors: This training will provide FHA-Approved Servicers the opportunity to review what causes fatal and non-fatal errors in SFDMS reporting, and what can be done to prevent or fix the problems. Servicers will also learn how SFDMS reporting affects their TRS II score. Register [on-line](#).
- May 06, 2015 - Webinar: HUD Extension of Time and Variance Request System (EVARS) Training: This training will enhance the Lender's understanding of HUD's minimum time requirements for submission of an extension of time request, as well as the Lender's understanding of when a variance from HUD's policy is required. Topics to be covered include: types of extensions and variances, events that affect the First Legal Deadline, system access, and how to submit both an Extension of Time Request and Variance. Register [on-line](#).

HUD Loss Mitigation Live Classroom Training Schedule: Save the date. For more information on upcoming dates please [email](#) HUD.

- May 20, 2015 - Louisville, KY
- June 23, 2015 - Chicago, IL
- June 17, 2015 - Greensboro, NC
- June 17, 2015 - Jacksonville, FL
- July 16, 2015 - Atlanta, GA
- July 23, 2015 - Indianapolis, IN
- July TBD, 2015 - Nashville, TN
- August TBD, 2015 - Birmingham, AL
- September TBD, 2015 - Ft. Lauderdale, FL

7. Making Home Affordable (MHA): These webinars are designed specifically for housing counselors and other trusted advisors. Register [on-line](#):

- April 09, 2015 - Understanding the Terms of a HAMP Modification: Interest Rate Step-Up, Impact, and Resources
- April 13, 2015 - Home Affordable Foreclosure Alternatives Program for Trusted Advisors
- April 15, 2015 - MHA Tools & Resources for Trusted Advisors

- April 22, 2015 - Mortgage Assistance for Arizona Homeowners
- April 28, 2015 - Homeowners with Unmodified Second Liens: An Overview of Available Solutions

8. Marketing 101 by VHDA: The Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) is providing [YouTube](#) video training for non-profit agencies on how to market the services your agency offers. Additionally, they have posted many more informative training videos for non-profit agencies and consumers; please visit their [YouTube Channel](#) to view all their current training offerings.

9. OCC Financial Literacy Update: The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)'s Financial Literacy Update is a bimonthly e-newsletter that reports financial literacy events, initiatives, and related resources of the OCC and other government agencies and organizations. Financial Literacy Update provides brief descriptions and Web links for events and training. Housing Counselors can visit the Financial Literacy Update [on-line](#).

10. HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast: The HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast is an entertaining and educational series of conversations focused on military off-base housing. Sponsored by HopeNow and Clearpoint Financial Solutions. No fee. Listen to the Podcasts [on-line](#).

HUD-OHC Listserv Bulk subscriptions:

Some housing counselors have asked, "How do I sign up my entire agency staff for HUD Office of Housing Counseling (HUD-OHC) 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. Then [Email your list](#) to HUD-OHC. If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 2 other ways to sign up: Send them this [link](#) or forward them this email.

Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:

- [Email Technical Support for Housing Counselors](#)
- [HUD Housing Counseling Webpage](#)
- [The Bridge Housing Counseling Newsletter Archive](#)
- [Housing Counseling Listserv Archive](#)
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