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Obama Administration extends application deadline for the Making Home Affordable program:

The U.S. Department of the Treasury and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced on 5/30/13 an extension of the Obama Administration's Making Home Affordable Program through December 31, 2015. The new deadline was determined in coordination with the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) to align with extended deadlines for the Home Affordable Refinance Program (HARP) and the Streamlined Modification Initiative for homeowners with loans owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The Making Home Affordable Program has been a critical part of the Obama Administration's comprehensive efforts to provide relief to families at risk of foreclosure and help the housing market recover from a historic housing crisis. The program deadline was previously December 31, 2013.

Read the entire press release at:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2013/HUDNo.13-083

AND

June 2013 - (multiple dates) Webinar: Freddie Mac Streamlined Modification Overview for Housing Counselors:

To further support your efforts to help seriously delinquent homeowners avoid foreclosure, Freddie Mac developed the Streamlined Modification, which is a temporary initiative that will offer your financially distressed clients an efficient, affordable permanent loan modification option. In addition, Freddie Mac revised the Standard Modification eligibility requirements. During this free webinar, a Freddie Mac instructor will review eligibility criteria, documentation requirements, and other important information, and also answer your questions during this "live" session. Registration required; no fee. More info & registration at:

<http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/>

NOTE: As a prerequisite to taking this training on the Freddie Mac Streamlined Modification, please review the requirements for the Freddie Mac Standard

Modification. You can review those requirements at this website:

http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/pdf/SM_overview_fact_sheet.pdf

Please note that these webinar training sessions are for nonprofit housing counseling organizations and CDCs/EDCs only, with dialogue & discussion centered on the housing counselor's role and approach when discussing this option with borrowers. If you are any other party interested in learning more about Freddie Mac's Streamlined Modification option, we recommend that you visit this website for more information: http://www.freddiemac.com/singlefamily/service/streamlined_modification.html

AND

HUD's Office of Housing Counseling has a new career opportunity for qualified individuals:

Recently posted online is the position of: Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Housing Counseling, Vacancy announcement: 13-HUD-070P, (Washington, DC)

This Vacancy Announcement is posted at www.usajobs.gov. Please visit that website to view the announcements, additional information and to search for additional new HUD listings. HUD also has opportunities in other locations around the nation. Please bookmark and revisit www.usajobs.gov frequently to see new announcements as they appear online. Application forms can be found at:

<http://www.usajobs.gov/ResourceCenter/Index/Interactive/FormsHome#icc>

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.

Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:

HUD Housing Counseling: www.hud.gov/housingcounseling

"The Bridge" is the HUD Office of Housing Counseling Newsletter; read archived issues on-line at:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_bridge

Housing Counseling Listserv archive:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_msg

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>

Freddie Mac Housing Professionals Resource

Center: <http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/>

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

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