



# HUD Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships: 2013 in Review

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## Overview

Dear friends,

The past year has been fantastic for the HUD Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships (HUD CFBNP)! In 2013, HUD CFBNP hosted several successful events, facilitated capacity-building trainings, and broadened our base of stakeholders. None of this would have been possible without your support.

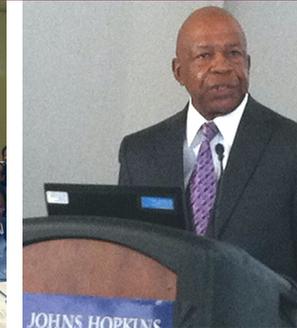
If you're not familiar with the work of the Center, it serves as a resource for secular and faith-based non-profit organizations seeking to partner with HUD to address the housing and community development needs of the neighborhoods in which they serve. The Center builds partnerships and serves as a liaison between the grassroots and federal government, ensuring that groups have the latest information about HUD opportunities and programs as well as other federal resources available to their communities.

Please enjoy some of the highlights of the Center's work from 2013. I wish each of you a wonderful 2014!

Sincerely,  
Paula A. Lincoln  
Director



Set the standard for capacity building



## HUD CBNP Continues Successful Capacity-Building Workshops for Emerging Organization

HUD CFBNP continued to set the standard for capacity building to local non-profit organizations with its **Capacity Building for Emerging Organizations** series. Among the highlights, in May the Center partnered with Philadelphia, PA Mayor Michael Nutter to host a training with city faith and community leaders. Participants learned fundamental tools and techniques of finding and applying for federal, state, public, and private sector grant opportunities. Topics included organizational development, strategic planning, financial management, performance measurement, and the process of grant application.

In August, the Center, in collaboration with Congressman Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD), hosted another capacity building training on the campus of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD. The workshop received excellent reviews by local participants and many expressed interest in upcoming agency grant opportunities.

During the year, the Center presented its capacity building training workshops in Denver, CO; Albany, NY; Queens, NY; Hampton, VA; Matthews, VA; Philadelphia, PA; Kingstree, SC; Charleston, SC; Spartanburg, SC; Atlanta, GA; Savannah, GA; Johnstown, PA; Sandy City Hall, UT; Reno, NV; Columbus, OH; Boston, MA; Chicago, IL; Buffalo, NY; Camden, NJ; Houston, TX; and Austin, TX.

For more information about the HUD CFBNP Capacity Building for Emerging Organizations training, or if you are interested in bringing these workshops to your area in 2014, email [partnerships@hud.gov](mailto:partnerships@hud.gov).



Positive opportunities  
for vulnerable youth

## About HUD CFBNP

The HUD Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships (HUD CFBNP) supports the mission of HUD to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality homes for all. Strong communities with safe, affordable housing promote a better quality of life. Non-profits, both faith-based and secular, play vital roles as HUD's partners in implementing HUD's housing development and policy strategies.

HUD CFBNP is part of the HUD Office of the Secretary, and supports the Secretary's priorities and HUD's strategic goals. The Center also supports the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnership (WHOFBNP) initiative to ensure that organizations rooted in the community can access and participate in HUD programs to advance shared goals. For more information on the WHOFBNP you can go to <http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ofbnp>.

HUD CFBNP coordinates daily with the WHOFBNP and its 12 sister Partnership Centers including Health and Human Services (HHS), Education, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Labor (DOL), Veteran's Affairs (VA), Commerce and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The Center collaborates with federal departments to host outreach and training events which provide a comprehensive view of federal resources and partnership opportunities available to grassroots non-profits; the Center also provides

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## National Forum on Youth-Violence Prevention and Children of Incarcerated Parents Initiative

This year, the HUD CFBNP played a key role in two important White House initiatives helping vulnerable youth: the National Forum on Youth-Violence Prevention (NFYVP) and the Children of Incarcerated Parents (COIP) federal working group.

Both initiatives work to create positive opportunities for vulnerable youth and the many governmental, social service, and community organizations that serves them. During the course of the year, HUD CFBNP worked with leading nonprofit organizations, academic experts, and affected youth to shed light on how best to prevent and decrease youth violence and foster healthy development of children of incarcerated parents.

As a partner in these Obama Administration priorities, the Center facilitated two events integrating youth violence prevention and the healthy development of children of incarcerated parents into its signature **Capacity Building for Emerging Organizations** training series. In September, the HUD CFBNP partnered with Dana Redd, Mayor of Camden, NJ, to present the Center's signature training for faith-based and community organizations with a special component focused on the needs of children of incarcerated parents. Bringing together local organizations with leading experts, federal and state policymakers, and other advocates, the training provided insight on how local organizations can tailor their programs to meet the unique needs of these children and related service providers. Ann Adalist-Estrin, Director of the Rutgers University National Resource Center on Children and Families of the Incarcerate, presented compelling data on the impact of having an incarcerated parent on a child's development and future. The training also included a screening of “Little Children, Big Challenges,” a new Sesame Street series focusing on the needs of these children and their caregivers.

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## Little Children, Big Challenges



important opportunities for federal officials to receive invaluable input from community stakeholders.

HUD CFBNP serves as a public resource center to provide information, resources, and training opportunities through our website, in-person presentations, publications, roundtables, and conferences. HUD CFBNP opens doors to connect groups with HUD program offices, *“creating two-way information sharing opportunities,”* and *“leveraging relationships with other federal agencies.”*

During the same month, HUD CFBNP, in collaboration with Thomas Menino, Mayor of Boston, MA, facilitated a capacity building workshop at Northeastern University in Boston, MA. This is the second capacity building training the Center has hosted in Boston as part of the National Forum for Youth Violence Prevention initiative. Faith and community leaders learned the basics of finding and applying for federal, state, public, and private sector grant opportunities.

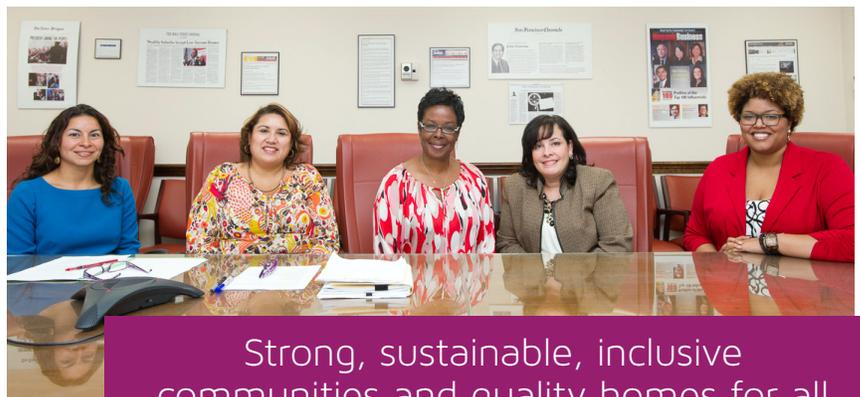
For more information on the National Forum on Youth-Violence Prevention, visit <http://www.findyouthinfo.gov/youth-topics/preventing-youth-violence>.

To access the toolkit on assisting children of incarcerated parents, see <http://findyouthinfo.gov/youth-topics/children-of-incarcerated-parents>.

## Engaging Across Languages: HUD CFBNP Hosts HUD Deputy Secretary for Spanish-Language Conference Call on Housing Counseling

Also in September, the Center hosted a Spanish-language conference call on housing counseling, featuring HUD Deputy Secretary Maurice Jones and representatives from HUD’s Office of Housing Counseling. HUD staff discussed the many resources that housing counseling can provide Latino Americans and all citizens, including counseling for home rental or purchase, home improvement, disaster preparedness, foreclosure prevention, and other topics. Participants also learned about the process of becoming a HUD-certified housing counseling agency, and how to refer clients to HUD-approved housing-counseling agencies. This was HUD CFBNP’s second Spanish-language call in 2013, in which it was expanding on the efforts to promote multilingual outreach and publicize resources to prevent foreclosure.

To access fact sheets on housing counseling in English and Spanish, visit <http://www.hud.gov/offices/fbci>.



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