

(a) Describe how you or your partners will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 135. Describe how you will accomplish this requirement by (1) providing training and employment opportunities for low- and very low-income persons living within the grantee's jurisdiction, and by (2) providing business opportunities to businesses owned by low- and very low-income persons living within the targeted jurisdiction;

(b) Describe how your project will give preference to hiring low- and very low-income persons or contracting with businesses owned by or employing low- and very-low income persons. Information about section 3 requirements is available by searching HUD's Web site, <http://www.hud.gov>;

(c) Describe how your proposed project will further and support the policy priorities of the Department (section II of the General Section of the SuperNOFA and Rating Factor 3 (1)(b)(xviii) of this NOFA), including providing opportunities for self-sufficiency, particularly for persons enrolled in welfare-to-work programs, or providing educational and job training opportunities; and

(d) Describe the extent to which your proposed activities will occur in an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community (EZ/EC), Urban Enhanced Enterprise Community (EEC), or Strategic Planning Community or Renewal Community (RC) as defined in section VI (C)(1) of the General Section of the SuperNOFA.

Rating Factor 4: Leveraging Resources (10 Points)

This factor addresses your ability to secure other community resources (e.g., financing, supplies or services) that can be combined with HUD's resources to achieve project purposes. These community resources may be contributions from organizations such as the applicant, partners, or other organizations not directly involved in the project.

(1) In evaluating this factor, HUD will consider the extent to which you have developed partnerships to secure additional resources to increase the effectiveness of your proposed project. Describe how other organizations will participate in or support your project. Resources may include funding or in-kind contributions (e.g., labor, fringe benefits, services, supplies, or equipment) budgeted for your proposed project. Resources may be provided by State and local governmental entities,

public or private organizations, or other partners.

(2) Each source of contributions (financial or in-kind) must be supported by a letter of commitment from the contributing entity, whether the applicant, a partner organization, or a public or private source. The letter must describe the contributed resource(s) that will be used in your project and the dollar value of each contribution. Staff in-kind contributions should be given a market-based monetary value. If you fail to provide letters of commitment with specific details, including the amount of the actual contributions, you will not get rating points for this factor. Each letter of commitment, memorandum of understanding, or agreement to participate shall include the organization's name and the proposed level of commitment and responsibilities as they relate to the proposed project. The commitment must be signed by an official legally able to make commitments on behalf of the organization. Letters of support (letters that indicate support, but do not specify a monetary commitment to the project) will not be considered in the scoring of Rating Factor 4. Include information to address the following elements.

(a) The extent to which you have coordinated your activities with other known organizations that are not directly participating in your proposed work activities, but with which you share common goals and objectives.

(i) Describe your plan for integrating and coordinating housing-based hazard interventions with other housing-related activities (e.g., rehabilitation, weatherization, correction of code violations, and other similar work).

(ii) Describe your plans to generate and use public subsidies or other resources, such as revolving loan funds, to finance future interventions to prevent and control housing-based hazards, particularly in low- and very low-income housing.

(b) The extent to which your project exhibits the potential to be financially self-sustaining by decreasing dependence on Federal funding and relying more on State, local and private funding to continue healthy homes activities after the grant period is completed.

Rating Factor 5: Achieving Results and Program Evaluation (15 points)

This factor emphasizes HUD's commitment to ensuring that applicants keep promises made in their applications and assess their performance to ensure that performance goals are met. Achieving results means you, the applicant, have clearly

identified the benefits or outcomes of your program. Outcomes are ultimate goals. Benchmarks or outputs are interim activities or products that lead to the ultimate achievement of your goals.

Program evaluation requires that you, the applicant, identify program outcomes, interim products or benchmarks, and performance indicators that will allow you to measure your performance. Performance indicators should be objectively quantifiable and measure actual achievements against anticipated achievements. Your Evaluation Plan should identify what you are going to measure, how you are going to measure it, and the steps you have in place to make adjustments to your work plan if performance targets are not met within established timeframes.

This new rating factor reflects HUD's goal to embrace high standards of ethics, management and accountability. In evaluating this factor, HUD will consider how you have described outcome measures and benefits of your program.

In your response to this rating factor, you are to discuss the performance goals for your project, and identify specific outcome measures. You are also to describe how the outcome information will be obtained, documented, and reported. You must complete and return the Logic Model Form included in Appendix B of the General Section of the SuperNOFA showing your proposed project long-term, mid-term, short-term and final results, and how they support HUD's departmental goals and objectives. Information about developing a Logic Model is available at <http://www.hud.gov>.

In responding to this factor, you should:

(1) Identify and discuss the specific methods you will use to measure progress towards your goals, track and report results of interventions, and evaluate the effectiveness of interventions;

(2) Identify benchmarks that you will use to track the progress of your project;

(3) Identify important project milestones (e.g., the end of specific phases in a multi-phased project) and deliverables specific to your project timeline;

(4) Identify milestones that are critical to achieving project objectives (e.g., recruitment and sustainability of participants, the Institutional Review Board process, if applicable, or the process of Informed Consent);

(5) Identify how your project will be held accountable for meeting project goals, objectives, and the actions