

funds for RC activities and stipends for officers for their related costs for volunteer work in public housing. The following also applies to resident councils:

(1) The RC must adopt written procedures such as by-laws, or a constitution, which provides for the election of residents to the governing board by the voting membership of the public housing residents. The elections must be held on a regular basis, but at least once every 3 years. The written procedures must provide for the recall of the resident board by the voting membership. These provisions shall allow for a petition or other expression of the voting membership's desire for a recall election, and set the percentage of voting membership that must be in agreement in order to hold a recall election. This threshold shall not be less than 10 percent of the voting membership.

(2) The RC must have a democratically elected governing board that is elected by the voting membership. At a minimum, the governing board should consist of five elected board members. The voting membership must consist of heads of households (any age) and other residents at least 18 years of age or older and whose names appear on a lease for the unit in the public housing that the resident council represents.

(3) The RC may represent residents residing in:

- (a) Scattered site buildings in areas of contiguous row houses;
- (b) One or more contiguous buildings;
- (c) A development; or
- (d) A combination of the buildings or developments described above.

(4) The RC must be in good standing and recognized by the PHA.

Regional Resident Organization (RRO) means an incorporated nonprofit organization or association for public housing that meets each of the following requirements:

(1) The RRO is regional (*i.e.*, not limited by HUD Areas);

(2) The RRO has experience in providing start-up and capacity-building training to residents and resident organizations; and

(3) Public housing residents representing different geographical locations in the region must comprise the majority of the board of directors.

Resident Management Corporation (RMC) (see 24 CFR 964.7, 964.120) means an entity that consists of residents residing in public housing and must have each of the following characteristics in order to receive official recognition by the PHA and HUD:

(1) The RMC shall be a nonprofit organization that is incorporated under the laws of the state in which it is located;

(2) The RMC may be established by more than one RC, so long as each such council:

(a) Approves the establishment of the corporation; and

(b) Has representation on the Board of Directors of the corporation.

(3) The RMC shall have an elected Board of Directors, and elections must be held at least once every 3 years;

(4) The RMC's by-laws shall require the Board of Directors to include resident representatives of each RC involved in establishing the corporation; include qualifications to run for office, frequency of elections, procedures for recall; and term limits if desired;

(5) The RMC's voting members shall be heads of households (any age) and other residents at least 18 years of age and whose names appear on the lease of a unit in public housing represented by the RMC;

(6) Where an RC already exists for the development, or a portion of the development, the RMC shall be approved by the RC board and a majority of the residents. If there is no RC, a majority of the residents of the public housing development it will represent must approve the establishment of such a corporation for the purposes of managing the project; and

(7) The RMC may serve as both the RMC and the RC, so long as the corporation meets the requirements of 24 CFR part 964 for an RC.

Resident Organization (RO) for tribal entities means an incorporated or unincorporated nonprofit tribal organization or association that meets each of the following criteria:

(1) It shall consist of residents only, and only residents may vote;

(2) If it represents residents in more than one development or in all of the developments of the tribal/TDHE community, it shall fairly represent residents from each development that it represents;

(3) It shall adopt written procedures providing for the election of specific officers on a regular basis; and

(4) It shall have democratically elected governing board. The voting membership of the board shall consist solely of the residents of the development or developments that the tribal RO represents.

Secretary means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Site-Based Resident Associations means Resident Councils or Resident

Management Corporations representing a specific public housing development.

Statewide Resident Organization (SRO) is an incorporated nonprofit organization or association for public housing that meets the following requirements:

(1) The SRO is statewide;

(2) The SRO has experience in providing start-up and capacity-building training to residents and resident organizations; and

(3) Public housing residents representing different geographical locations in the state must comprise the majority of the Board of Directors.

Tribal/TDHE Resident Group means tribal/TDHE resident groups that are democratically elected groups such as IHA-wide resident groups, area-wide resident groups, single development groups, or resident management corporations (RMCs).

III. Program Description: Resident Service Delivery Models-Family

(A) **Program Description.** The purpose of the ROSS RSDM-Family funding category is to provide funding to PHAs, tribes/TDHEs, resident organizations, nonprofits including grassroots, faith-based or other community-based organizations to create programs to help residents achieve economic self-sufficiency.

HUD is looking for applications that implement comprehensive programs within the thirty-six month grant term which will result in improved economic self-sufficiency for Public or Indian housing residents.

HUD is looking for proposals that involve partnerships with organizations that will help grantees provide educational programs, housing counseling, including fair housing counseling, job training and other supportive services for residents. Proposed grant activities should build on the foundation created by previous ROSS grants or other federal, state and local self-sufficiency efforts.

(B) **Available Funding.** The amount of funding available for FY03 is \$14,345,000.

(C) **Allocation.** To the extent that there are a sufficient number of qualified applications, not less than 25 percent of funds available for RSDM-Family shall be provided directly to Resident Councils (RCs), Resident Organizations (ROs), Resident Management Corporations (RMCs), Intermediary Resident Organizations (IROs), and City-Wide Resident Organizations (CWROs). In addition, 5 percent of available funding shall be allocated to national nonprofit organizations provided there