

Lease-up or budget authority utilization rates of a half or more of one percentage point will be rounded to the next highest percentage point for purposes of qualifying for the points available under Selection Criterion 2 (for example, 98.5 percent will be rounded up to 99 percent). PHAs or nonprofit organizations that meet either the 97 percent lease-up or budget authority utilization threshold requirement in section VII(B)(2)(c) of this NOFA, or that have a 99 percent or higher lease-up or budget authority utilization rate and qualify for the points available under Selection Criterion 2 will be listed with this funding announcement at the following HUD Web site: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm>. A PHA or nonprofit organization not listed may submit information with its application, following the methodology of Appendix B and using the format of Appendix C which includes a completed example and the blank form format to be filled out and submitted with the PHA's or nonprofit organization's application, for its fiscal year December 31, 2001; March 31, 2002; June 30, 2002; September 30, 2002 or subsequent fiscal year not yet processed by HUD but certified by the applicant.

See Section VI (G) of this NOFA regarding the certification requirement applicable to MTW PHAs in connection with qualifying for the points available under Selection Criterion 2.

(b) *Rating and Assessment*: The GMC will assign point values as follows:

- **25 points**: The PHA or nonprofit organization has a lease-up or budget authority utilization rate for its voucher program of 99 percent.

**Note**: PHAs or nonprofit organizations without a voucher program or whose total voucher program is excluded (annual budget authority associated with new funding increments obligated during the applicant's last fiscal year and annual budget authority for litigation) from the lease-up/budget authority utilization calculation as per the methodology in Appendix A of this funding announcement may also be eligible to receive 25 points under Selection Criterion 2. In order to get the 25 points, the PHA or nonprofit organization will be required to submit a certification statement with its application certifying that it will lease all vouchers it is awarded under this NOFA within 180 days of the award of funding.

### (3) Selection Criterion 3, Area-Wide Housing Opportunities (15 Points)

(a) *Description*: This criterion addresses the voluntary efforts that an applicant may take to provide area-wide housing opportunities for families. The efforts described in response to this criterion must be beyond those required

by federal law or regulation such as the portability provisions of the Housing Choice Voucher Program. Applicants should take note that the difference between being eligible for 15 points versus 10 points under this selection criterion requires undertaking efforts to end chronic homelessness on the part of disabled families.

(b) *Rating and Assessment*: The GMC will assign point values as follows:

- **15 points**: The applicant provides information indicating that it will provide housing counseling for disabled families that want to move to low-poverty or non-minority areas, or the applicant has established a contractual relationship with a PHA, nonprofit agency or local governmental entity to provide housing counseling for disabled families that want to move to low-poverty or non-minority areas. In addition, the applicant must target not less than 10 percent of the vouchers awarded under this funding announcement to assisting those disabled families that are chronically homeless as defined in section II (H) of the General Section of the SuperNOFA, and as part of the counseling provided to such families undertake two or more of the activities listed in that section. (The five PHAs approved for the FY 1993 Moving to Opportunity (MTO) for Fair Housing Demonstration, the 11 PHAs approved under the Housing Search Assistance Program (HSAP), and any other PHAs that receive housing counseling funds from HUD (e.g., in settlement of litigation involving the desegregation or demolition of public housing, regional opportunity counseling, or mixed population projects) may qualify for points under this assessment, but these PHAs must identify all activities to be undertaken, other than those funded by HUD, to expand housing opportunities.)

- **10 points**: The applicant provides information indicating that it will provide housing counseling for disabled families that want to move to low-poverty or non-minority areas, or the applicant has established a contractual relationship with a PHA, nonprofit agency or local governmental entity to provide housing counseling for disabled families that want to move to low-poverty or non-minority areas. (The five PHAs approved for the FY 1993 Moving to Opportunity (MTO) for Fair Housing Demonstration, the 11 PHAs approved under the Housing Search Assistance Program (HSAP), and any other PHAs that receive housing counseling funds from HUD (e.g., in settlement of litigation involving the desegregation or demolition of public housing, regional

opportunity counseling, or mixed population projects) may qualify for points under this assessment, but these PHAs must identify all activities to be undertaken, other than those funded by HUD, to expand housing opportunities.)

- **5 points**: The applicant provides information indicating that it has implemented other initiatives that have resulted, and will continue to result, in expanding housing opportunities for disabled families in areas that do not have undue concentrations of poverty or minority families.

### (4) Selection Criterion 4, Commitments From Outside Agencies (10 Points)

(a) *Description*: The applicant documents that it has entered into agreements with one or more organizations to assist disabled families with moving costs, security deposits, utility hook-up fees, utility deposits, medical care, transportation, educational opportunities, employment and child care.

(b) *Rating and Assessment*: The GMC will assign points as follows:

- **10 points**: The applicant provides copies of the agreements that it has entered into with three or more organizations to assist disabled families with moving costs, security deposits, utility hook-up fees, utility deposits, medical care, transportation, educational opportunities, employment and child care. The applicant must also provide information indicating it has taken one or more of the activities to promote the participation of grass-roots and other community-based organizations indicated in Section II (6) of the General Section of the SuperNOFA, as relates to the aforementioned agreements. The applicant's provision of the former, but not the latter information, shall result in the application receiving no more than 8 points under this Selection Criterion 4, as indicated below.

- **8 points**: The applicant provides copies of the agreements that it has entered into with three or more organizations to assist disabled families with moving costs, security deposits, utility hook-up fees, utility deposits, medical care, transportation, educational opportunities, employment and child care.

- **5 points**: The applicant provides copies of the agreements it has entered into with two organizations to assist disabled families with moving costs, security deposits, utility hook-up fees, utility deposits, medical care, transportation, educational opportunities, employment and child care.