

# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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## Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages; Fiscal Year 2003

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability for Fiscal Year 2003.

### Program Overview

*Authority.* Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 *et seq.*) and the regulations in 24 CFR part 1003.

*Purpose of the Program.* The purpose of the Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages (ICDBG) is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low- and moderate-incomes as defined in 24 CFR 1003.4.

*Available Funds.* The FY 2003 appropriation for the ICDBG Program is \$70,538,500.

*Eligible Applicants.* Eligible applicants are Indian tribes or tribal organizations on behalf of Indian tribes.

*Application Deadline.* September 22, 2003.

*Match.* None.

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### I. Application Due Date, Addresses for Submission, Tips for Application Preparation, Application Kits, Further Information, and Technical Assistance

#### (A) Application Due Date

Your completed application (one original and two copies) must be postmarked on or before 12 midnight, on September 22, 2003 and be received by the designated Area Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) on or within 15 days of the application due date. HUD will not accept any applications sent electronically or by facsimile.

#### (B) Mailing and Receipt Procedures

The following procedures apply to the delivery and receipt of applications. Please read the following instructions carefully and completely as failure to comply with these procedures may disqualify your application. HUD's delivery and receipt policies are:

- No hand deliveries will be accepted;
- Applications may be shipped using DHL, Falcon Carrier, Federal Express (FedEx), United Parcel Services (UPS), or the United States Postal Service.
- HUD strongly suggests applications submitted to HUD Field Offices be sent via the United States Postal Service, as access by other delivery services is not guaranteed;
- All mailed applications must be postmarked on or before midnight of their due date and received within fifteen (15) days of the due date.
- *Proof of Timely Submission.* In the case of a disputed submission for applications mailed by the United States Postal Service, the proof of timely submission to HUD field offices will be the Certificate of Mailing (USPS Form 3817). In the case of disputed submissions for applications submitted to HUD via DHL, Falcon Carrier, Federal Express (FedEx), or the United Parcel