

whether the unit design is in compliance with Fair Housing Act and UFAS standards;

(iii) The extent of proposed demolition;

(iv) Planned community and supportive service activities;

(v) Other proposed revitalization activities;

(vi) Relocation issues, including relocation planning, mobility counseling, and maintaining the HOPE VI community planning process during the demolition and reconstruction phases where temporary relocation is involved;

(vii) Reoccupancy plans and policies, including site-based waiting lists; and

(viii) Section 3 and employment opportunities to be created as a result of redevelopment activities.

(4) All training sessions and meetings must be held in facilities that are accessible to persons with disabilities, provide services such as day care, transportation, and sign language interpreters as appropriate, and as practical and applicable, be conducted in English and the language(s) most appropriate for the community.

(5) The training session and each of the public meetings must be held after the publication date of this NOFA in the **Federal Register**; any training sessions or public meetings held before the NOFA publication date will not be counted for the purposes of this competition.

Threshold: In your application you must provide a signed certification that the above resident training session and public meetings were held and that the topics listed above were covered. The certification must include the dates of the training session and meetings. If, after the deficiency cure period, this certification is not properly included in your application, the application will be ineligible for funding.

(B) Rating Factor: Resident and Community Involvement—3 Points

You will receive 1 Point for each of the following criteria met in your application, which are over and above the threshold requirements listed in Section (A) above.

(1) You demonstrate that you have communicated regularly and significantly with affected residents and members of the surrounding community about the development of your Revitalization Plan by giving residents and community members information about your actions regarding the Revitalization Plan and providing a forum where residents and community members can contribute recommendations and opinions with

regard to the development and implementation of the Revitalization Plan.

(2) You describe your efforts, past and proposed, to make appropriate HUD communications about HOPE VI available (*i.e.*, a copy of the NOFA, computer access to the HUD Web site, etc.).

(3) You describe your plans to provide affected residents with reasonable training on the general principles of development, technical assistance, and capacity building so that they may participate meaningfully in the development and implementation process.

VIII. Community and Supportive Services

(A) CSS Program Requirements

(1) Your CSS Team and Partners.

(a) The term "CSS Team" refers to PHA staff members and/or any consultants who will have the responsibility to design, implement, and manage your CSS Program.

(b) The term "CSS Partners" refers to the agencies and organizations that you will work with to provide supportive services for residents. A Partner could be a local service organization such as a Boys or Girls Club that donates its building and staff to the program, or an agency such as the local TANF agency that works with you to ensure that their services are coordinated and comprehensive.

(2) Maximum CSS grant amount. Consistent with section 24(j)(3) of the 1937 Act, you may use an amount up to 15 percent of the total HOPE VI Grant to pay the costs of CSS activities. You may spend additional sums on CSS activities using donations, other HUD funds made available for that purpose, or other PHA funds. See Section VI(A) of this NOFA for CSS grant matching requirements.

(3) CSS Endowment Trust. Consistent with section 24(d)(2) of the Act, you may deposit up to 15 percent of your HOPE VI grant (the maximum amount of the award allowable for CSS activities) into an Endowment Trust to provide CSS activities. In order to establish an Endowment Trust, you must first execute with HUD a HOPE VI Endowment Trust Addendum to the Grant Agreement. When reviewing your request to set up an Endowment Trust, HUD will take into consideration your ability to pay for current CSS activities with HOPE VI or other funds and the projected long-term sustainability of the Endowment Trust to carry out those activities.

(4) Subgrant Agreements. You may enter into subgrant agreements with

non-profit or State or local governments for the performance of CSS activities in accordance with your approved CSS work plan.

(5) Neighborhood Networks. All FY 2003 Revitalization grantees will be required to establish Neighborhood Networks Centers. This program provides residents with on-site access to computer and training resources. HUD will make technical assistance available to each PHA where needed. Grantees may use HOPE VI funds to establish Neighborhood Networks. In addition, \$5 million will be made available for Neighborhood Networks in accordance with Section II(C) of the General Section of this NOFA. More information on the requirements of the Neighborhood Networks Center Program is available on the Neighborhood Networks Web site at www.hud.gov/nnw/nnwindex.html.

(6) CSS activities must be consistent with State and local welfare reform requirements and goals.

(7) The objectives of your CSS Program must be results-oriented, with quantifiable goals and outcomes that can be used to measure progress and make changes in activities as necessary.

(8) CSS activities must be of an appropriate scale, type, and variety to meet the needs of all residents (including adults, youth ages 16 to 21, and children) of the severely distressed project, including residents remaining on-site, residents who will relocate permanently to other PHA units or Housing Choice Voucher-assisted housing, residents who will relocate temporarily during the construction phase, and new residents of the revitalized units.

(9) Non-public housing residents may also participate in CSS activities, as long as the primary participants in the activities are residents as described in Section (8) above.

(10) Your CSS activities must be coordinated with the efforts of other service providers in your locality, including non-profit organizations, educational institutions, and State and local programs.

(11) CSS activities must be well integrated with the physical development process, both in terms of timing and the provision of facilities to house on-site service and educational activities.

(12) CSS programs and services must last for the life of the grant and must be carefully planned so that they will be sustainable after the HOPE VI grant period ends.

(13) If selected, the Grantee is responsible for tracking and providing CSS programs and services to residents currently living on the targeted public