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Special Attention of:
Public Housing Agencies
Multifamily Project-Based Rental
Assistance Project Owners

Notice PIH 2026-24

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Subject: FY 2026 Family Self-Sufficiency Grant Program Annual Funding Notification and Application Process

I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Purpose

This notice provides guidance to public housing agencies (PHAs) and Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA) owners seeking Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) grant funding. This notice contains the specific application criteria and funding process for the fiscal year (FY) 2026 FSS funding cycle.

B. Background

This notice should be read together with Notice PIH 2025-15, *Family Self-Sufficiency Grant Program General Funding Requirements and Procedures – Revised,* which establishes general application and program administration requirements related to the FSS program. Further and more detailed application instructions, frequently asked questions, etc., are available on HUD's FSS webpage: https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/family-self-sufficiency.

Funding for this program in FY26 is authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 (Public Law 119-75), approved February 3, 2026.

C. Key Dates

Priority Deadline. To be awarded renewal funds before January 1, 2027, under this notice, you should apply by **October 13, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. ET**. Any applications received after this deadline may not be guaranteed funding, although every effort will be made to provide renewal funding if available.

The period of performance under this Funding Notice is calendar year (CY) 2027 (January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027).

II. FUNDING DETAILS

Review this section in conjunction with Section VII, *Funding Priority*, of Notice PIH 2025-15. This section provides additional requirements beyond those found in Notice PIH 2025-15. This notice makes $156.4 million from FY26 appropriations available. Recaptured funds from previous years may also be used to make awards, as available.

HUD DOES NOT ANTICIPATE FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR NEW PROGRAMS IN THE FY26 FUNDING CYCLE.

A. Renewal Awards

Eligible programs funded in FY23, FY24, or FY25 may request renewal funding under this notice, consistent with the parameters set in the General Notice. Notification of renewal funding may occur prior to notification of Expansion Position awards.

1. ***Expansion Positions.*** Renewal applicants may be eligible to request Expansion Positions under this notice. They will be awarded according to priority performance categories, which incorporate FSS Achievement Metric (FAM scores) and the Work and Dignity Coalition.

   Renewal applicants who meet the participation requirements for an additional position may request expansion positions. Expansion positions will be awarded in the following priority order until funds are fully distributed.

2. ***Expansion Position Funding Priorities:***

   a. *Priority 1:* Applicants who are administering Melania Trump Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Vouchers and, as a result, provide an extension of assistance to eligible youth for up to 24 months beyond the 36-month time limit of assistance if they are participating in FSS, and who are eligible for and request expansion positions will be awarded their eligible, requested expansion positions under this priority. HUD maintains a list of PHAs that administer the FYI vouchers. If you receive funding under this priority, you must ensure that your FSS Action Plan reflects a policy of prioritizing FYI voucher holders in order to receive an awarded expansion position under this category. You do not need to send proof of this policy with your application.

   b. *Priority 2:* As per the 2026 Appropriations Act, HUD may use the FSS Achievement Metrics (FAM) Score in the awarding of recaptured funds to Priority Category 2 - Expansion Positions, that qualify as "Bonus Awards" under 42 USC 1437u(i)(2)(B) and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026, in the FY26 funding cycle. The most recent published FAM Score uses CY 2024 data. FAM Scores are published on the FSS Resources page. This category will be used to fund expansion positions only.

PBRA owners, Legacy Moving to Work (MTW) PHAs, and PHAs with FSS programs less than 3 years old do not have a full FAM Score. MTW Expansion PHAs may not have a full FAM Score if they withheld their 50058 submissions, which has been possible since CY24. For these entities, we will use the Participation Rate only to assign a "FAM-P Score." FAM-P Scores are also available as part of the most recently published FAM Scores.

To determine the FAM-P score, we use the self-certified participation numbers that agencies without a full FAM score submitted in the 2026 Annual Report Survey. We will request supporting documentation if numbers appear inconsistent. The Participation Rate is the number of actual FSS participants reported compared to the minimum number expected by HUD based on funding. As with the FAM Score, to determine the FAM-P Score, we will take the higher of the participation rate in CY24 or the average of CYs 2022, 2023, and 2024. Then, we will divide this number by the minimum number of participants you would need to serve in order to maintain your current number of funded coordinators.

For example, if you were funded for one coordinator in FY25 and the highest participation count you had in the last three years was 80 in CY24, then your participation rate would be calculated by dividing 80 by 25, since 25 is your minimum required number of participants. This would give you a ratio of 3.2.

We will then assign a score to the ratio:

Participation Rate	**FAM-P Score**
1.95 or higher	1
1.45-1.94	2
1.01-1.44	3
1.00 or lower	4

The ratios assigned to each FAM-P Score are based on the thresholds used to calculate the Participation Measure of the FAM Score. You can find documentation that describes this calculation with the published scores on the FSS Resources page.

Applicants with a FAM or FAM-P Score of 1, who do not fall under Priority Category 1 and are eligible for and request expansion positions will be awarded one additional position each under this priority.

c. *Priority 3:* HUD has announced the formation of a Work and Dignity Coalition. Involvement in the Coalition entails a commitment to promote work as a pathway to independence:

- Implementing policies that encourage accountability
- Providing supportive services that reduce barriers to employment

- Strengthening partnerships with workforce and community organizations
- Sharing best practices and learning across jurisdictions

PHAs and Multifamily Owners can learn how to join this Coalition by emailing WorkandDignity@hud.gov.

Subject to funding availability, applicants who joined the Work and Dignity Coalition as of the due date for this application, according to a list provided by the Administration, and who are eligible for and request expansion positions will be awarded one additional position each under this priority if they were not awarded in previous priority categories.

d. *Priority 4:* Applicants that lost a coordinator in the FY24 or FY25 funding cycle and have since increased their participation count to a level that qualifies them for the reinstatement of an additional position will be awarded additional positions under this priority.

e. *Other:* Subsequent expansion positions will be awarded following the method described in Notice PIH 2025-15.

B. New Awards. Under this Funding Notice, applications for new FSS programs will be accepted but may only be considered for funding if all requested Expansion Positions are fully funded. Unfunded new applicants that remain eligible may be funded in the future, subject to funding availability and congressional appropriations. **We do not anticipate funding new programs in the FY26 funding cycle.**

C. Funding Formulas. Review this section in conjunction with Section VIII, *Funding Formula*, of Notice PIH 2025-15. HUD calculates the FSS formula using the following data. You are responsible for indicating the amount of funding you are requesting on the SF-424. You may be responsible for providing your participation count if required/requested. (See Section II.B.2.). We will obtain all other data from administrative sources.

1. ***Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Locality Pay.*** You can look up the BLS median salary for the job title "Social Worker: All Other" in your ZIP Code. Find the BLS data for your ZIP Code on the Salary Finder | CareerOneStop webpage. You may use this salary as a guide for setting a competitive salary in your area, and we will use it as part of the calculation of your funding ceiling.

   Determine your ZIP Code as follows:

   - Local PHAs, such as those serving a city or county, should use the ZIP Code of the Lead Applicant.
   - State-wide PHAs should use State-level data.

- PBRA properties should use the ZIP Code of the Lead Applicant (PHA) or Property (PBRA Owner).

2. ***Eligible Positions.*** The number of Eligible Positions is based on the Participant Count, except for new grantees and applicants, as follows:

   - A count of 15 participants is needed for a part-time position,
   - 25 participants for a full-time position,
   - 75 for a second full-time position, and
   - Continuing in this manner with an additional position at intervals of 50.

   Participant Count
   The highest annual Participant Count in the past 3 calendar years is determined as follows:

   - *Initial MTW PHAs, Expansion MTW PHAs, and PBRA Owners:* Taken from the self-certification submitted with the 2026 Annual Survey, or we may request further information.

   - *All other PHAs:* Information reported by the grantee in the Inventory Management System/PIH Information Center (IMS/PIC). If the reported data is incorrect and would result in the loss of eligibility for a position, we may use the self-certification numbers submitted with the 2026 Annual Survey or request further information.

   - *PHAs serving PBRA properties:* Indicate on Form HUD-52651 if your PHA is serving a PBRA property and include the Multifamily Contract Number for each property. We will then add the number of participants you served at these properties to your participant count for each year, as reported on the PBRA property's self-certification submitted with the 2026 Annual Survey, or we may request additional information.

   - *PHA or PBRA Owner first funded in the FY23 funding cycle or never been funded:* If you are part of a joint application and your participant count affects the number of coordinators that your combined application is eligible for, we will use the self-certification numbers submitted with the 2026 Annual Survey or we may request further information.

   - *Grantees funded for the first time in the FY23 funding cycle:* A minimum of one full-time eligible position.

   - *New Applicants:* Exactly one full-time initial position in the first year of funding.

3. ***Funding Limits***

a. *Funding Floor*. For this Funding Notice, the Funding Floor is Eligible Positions multiplied by $43,680.

b. *Funding Ceiling.* For this Funding Notice, the Funding Ceiling is Eligible Positions multiplied by $197,200, which is the annual rate of basic pay payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule.

4. ***Renewal Funding***

a. *Submitting a Funding Request.* Applicants must submit funding requests using SF-424 and Form HUD-52651. ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT BOTH FORMS. All forms for the FSS application are available in the directed announcement in GrantSolutions. HUD reserves the right to request more information, send a deficiency request, or choose not to fund deficient funding requests or applications.

- On SF-424, line 18.a (Federal), enter the amount requested from HUD under this Funding Notice (Period of Performance is CY27), including applicable fringe benefits. **Only enter an amount on line 18a. This amount must include your total request, including salary and fringe for all positions you are requesting, including renewal and expansion positions.**

- On Form HUD-52651, indicate how many coordinators you are requesting and whether you are applying with joint applicants.

b. *Renewal Funding Increase.* Applicants may request the full cost of FSS coordinators, including salary and fringe benefits. Fringe benefits may also include a training stipend. This funding request may be up to, or equal to, one of the following, up to the Funding Ceiling:

- Eligible Positions multiplied by the last funded per-position amount;
- Eligible Positions multiplied by the BLS locality pay plus up to 50 percent of this total; or
- A greater amount with adequate justification, if approved by HUD.

c. *Renewal Funding Decrease.* Upon request, a Renewal Applicant's funding request may be decreased to the lower of:

- Their Funding Floor, or
- A lesser amount with adequate justification, if approved by HUD, but no less than the local, State, or Federal Minimum Wage (for the 2026 Funding Notice, $7.25 an hour, or $15,080 annual full-time pay) per eligible full-time position.

HUD reserves the right to adjust requested funding amounts downward, as determined necessary by HUD, at its sole discretion, based on an applicant's demonstrated financial need, capacity, and prior performance.

5. ***Funding Offset.*** After October 1, 2026 (to allow time for draws for activities through August 31, 2026), HUD will pull FY25 FSS grantee expenditure data from the electronic Line of Credit Control System (eLOCCS) to calculate the expenditure rate of each grantee to calculate a Funding Offset. The application of a Funding Offset will not affect renewal eligibility. All FSS grantees are subject to an offset. By accepting the FY26 FSS grant award, you must agree to extend your FY25 grant period of performance for the funds remaining in your FY25 award and use the remaining FY25 grant funds prior to expending any FY26 funds in CY27. To the extent that you have FY25 funds that HUD deems acceptable to offset, HUD will offset your FY26 grant requested by the amount HUD has determined to be acceptable as explained below. When you receive your FY26 notice of award, HUD will provide any other additional details specific to your offset and period of performance extension.

   a. *Expenditure Rate.* The expenditure rate is a measure of how timely you are in drawing down on your grant funds. You should ensure timely expenditure of your current FSS funds. The expenditure rate of your current award at the time of funding determinations may be used to prorate your award for the next year. "Expending timely" means that your agency is incurring expenses and drawing down as soon as possible after the expenses are incurred, as outlined in the terms of your grant agreement.

      HUD uses a formula to project grantees' end of year (EOY) expenditure. This formula projects expenditures using the ratio of grantees' current expenditures to 67 percent, which is the amount you should have expended by August 31, 2026, if you are on track to fully spend your FY25 grant.

   b. *Funding Offset Calculation.* We will prorate your FY26 award amount by your projected EOY expenditure plus a 10 percent buffer. See the table below for examples of proration. In this example, each entity's EOY expenditure rate is projected based on the amount they expended by the time we pull data from eLOCCS on October 1, 2026. Based on this amount, we calculate the amount of FY25 funding each grantee should have remaining at the end of the Period of Performance. We will subtract 10 percentage points from this number to allow for a buffer, and the resulting number is the amount by which your award will be prorated.

Grantee Name	Percent Expended by August 31, 2026 (pulled October 1, 2026)	Projected EOY Expended	Projected EOY Remaining	FY26 Proration Percentage	FY26 Award
PHA A	65%	97%	3%	0%	100%
Owner B	50%	75%	25%	15%	85%
PHA C	43%	64%	36%	26%	74%
Owner D	71%	100%	0%	0%	100%
PHA E	67%	100%	0%	0%	100%
PHA F	38%	57%	43%	33%	67%

c. *Award.* You will be awarded your prorated FY26 award under a new grant number. You will be funded for your full FY26 award through the combination of your remaining FY25 funds and prorated FY26 funds.

d. *Exceptions.* HUD will not apply a funding offset to grantees who meet one or more of the following exceptions. If you qualify under one of these exceptions, you will be given your full FY26 award, and any leftover FY25 funds will be recaptured.

- Grantees projected to spend more than 90 percent of their FY25 award.
- Grantees awarded an expansion position in FY25 to be used in CY26.
- On a case-by-case basis, grantees who believe their eLOCCS spending through August 31, 2026 does not reflect their expected expenditure rate by the end of the year and that following the offset procedure could result in inaccurate funding for FY26 may request an exception. You may request an exception by submitting a letter to FSS@hud.gov with the subject line “FSS FY26 Renewal – Offset Exception Request - [your PHA code/Property number] [your org name]” explaining your justification for requesting an exception to the offset. Justification includes, but is not limited to, periods when an FSS coordinator position was unexpectedly vacant or changes to fringe benefits. A delay in drawing funds is not a valid basis for an exception.

6. ***Incentives for Innovation and High Performance.*** There is no set-aside for incentives for innovation and high performance in this Funding Notice.

III. ELIGIBILITY

Review this section in conjunction with section V, *Eligible and Ineligible Applicants*, of Notice PIH 2025-15. This section provides additional requirements beyond those found in Notice PIH 2025-15.

A. Eligible Applicants

1. ***Verification of Eligibility.*** Applicants may be deemed ineligible if information on the application does not match PHA or PBRA Owner information in HUD’s administrative systems, such as the integrated Real Estate Management System (iREMS) or IMS/PIC, or its successor.

2. ***Troubled PHAs.*** If HUD has identified you as troubled in the Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) or Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP), you are subject to a review, corrective action plan, and monitoring of your Public Housing or HCV program, including the FSS program, if applicable.[1] FSS funding is subject to all relevant requirements in any Corrective Action Plan or Recovery Agreement in place.

3. ***Troubled PBRA Assets.*** Applicants are subject to eligibility review at both the entity (Owner or PHA) and property (PBRA project) level. An Owner is ineligible for funding, whether applying individually or as part of a joint application, if the Owner, its principals, or its affiliated entities failed to meet HUD previous participation requirements, including adverse determinations under the Form HUD-2530/Active Partners Performance System (APPS) process. In addition, applications that include PBRA-assisted properties designated as troubled or equivalent high-risk status may be deemed ineligible where such conditions reflect unresolved compliance, management, or physical deficiencies, as determined by HUD. In joint applications, applicants may remove ineligible properties without disqualifying the entire application, provided the remaining applicant is eligible and able to administer the program in accordance with HUD requirements.

B. Joint Applicants and Cooperative Agreements

1. ***Transferring or Consolidating FSS Programs.*** If an existing award has been transferred from one eligible entity to another under an active FSS program, the new entity will be treated as a renewal applicant for purposes of this notice. If programs are consolidated as part of a PHA or PBRA consolidation, the remaining program will be eligible as a renewal.

    a. *HUD Approval.* Must be received in the case of:

    - PHAs seeking to transfer or consolidate the entire FSS program or entire voucher program.
    - PBRA Owners seeking to sell property and transfer physical assets, including the assignment of the Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contract to a new Owner and the assumption of all associated obligations.

    b. *Funding Formula Impact.* A receiving FSS program under a program transfer or consolidation will be eligible for the combined renewal positions of the receiving and divesting FSS programs in the year of the transfer/consolidation. Thereafter, the FSS program will be subject to the standard participant count requirements to maintain that number of positions. However, on a case-by-case basis, HUD may allow for an extension of time for PHAs/Owners in this situation to meet minimum participation requirements.

[1] As required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR 902.73 and/or 24 CFR 985.107.

c. *Impact on PBRA New Applicants.* If a grant has been accepted by a PBRA Owner, it may be transferred to a new eligible ownership entity after closing, with HUD approval. However, any transfer in ownership during the period between application for FSS funding and the execution of an FSS Grant Agreement may result in the application being deemed ineligible and removed from further consideration for funding, unless the application is updated to reflect the new eligible ownership entity, including any necessary updates to the applicant's legal name, authorized representative (AOR), or registration information with HUD approval.

2. ***Joint Applications and Combining Programs.*** If two or more PHAs or PBRA Owners wish to operate a joint program, they may request their grants be combined into one grant, provided a single Lead Applicant is designated (see section III.B.2.a.) and FSS Action Plans for the affected properties are amended to reflect the changes (see section III.B.4.).

   a. *Designating a Lead Applicant.* For the purposes of a joint FSS funding application or when executing a Cooperative Agreement, a single participating PHA or PBRA property must be designated as the Lead Applicant:

      - PHA and PBRA Owner Joint Applications must have the PHA as the Lead Applicant.
      - Every PHA or PBRA property in a Joint Application must have a Cooperative Agreement with the Lead Applicant before implementing their FSS program.

   b. *Removing Joint Applicants.* If two or more Joint Applicants no longer wish to remain part of a Joint Application, the Lead Applicant on the Joint Application may remain eligible for renewal funding, along with any remaining Joint Applicants.

      i. *Lead Applicant Remains.* If the lead PHA or PBRA Owner remains part of the Joint Application, any removed properties will no longer be eligible for renewal funding, and the withdrawing PHA or PBRA Owner may apply as a new applicant to receive FSS funding.

      ii. *Lead Applicant Withdraws.* If the Lead Applicant on a Joint Application withdraws from the application, another PHA or PBRA Owner on the Joint Application may be designated as the new Lead Applicant.

3. ***Cooperative Agreements***. A PHA or PBRA Owner with an FSS program may serve the residents of another eligible nearby PHA or PBRA Owner via a Cooperative Agreement if their FSS coordinator has the capacity to serve additional participants, as determined by the FSS grantee. A Cooperative

Agreement may be entered into without the two entities being Joint Applicants for FSS funding. Each entity under a Cooperative Agreement must meet the requirements in section III.B.4.

4. ***Requirements for Joint Applicants or Applicants Under Cooperative Agreements***

   a. *FSS Action Plans.* Each entity that is part of a Joint Application or Cooperative Agreement must have, or develop, an FSS Action Plan that is approved by HUD. The plans may be essentially the same, but demographic information must be broken out separately for each entity and must specify any differences in how the FSS program operates at the different properties, such as different service partners.

   b. *FSS Escrow and PBRA HAP Vouchering.* Each PHA or PBRA Owner that is part of a Joint Application or Cooperative Agreement remains responsible for FSS escrow management, including ensuring that escrow is reflected accurately in HAP vouchering and Tenant Rental Assistance Certification System (TRAC) submissions, including Owner/Agent Request (OARQ) adjustments/repayment agreements, as well as required reporting. This is distinct from FSS grant funding (e.g., coordinator salaries and benefits), which are drawn down through eLOCCS.

5. ***FSS Participant Count.*** Participants from all PHAs or properties in a Joint Application or Cooperative Agreement will be included in the participant count for all purposes related to the grant.

6. ***Existing Contracts of Participation (CoPs).*** PHAs or PBRA Owners must continue to honor all existing CoPs, even if they no longer receive grant funding or stop offering new enrollment in FSS for any reason, including non-renewal of funding or splitting a Joint Application.

C. Eligible Activities

Review this section in conjunction with section V, *Eligible and Ineligible Uses of Funds,* of Notice PIH 2025-15 during the completion of the application. Funds awarded to FSS grantees under this notice may only be used, as follows:

1. ***Salary and Fringe Benefits of FSS Program Coordinator(s).*** Funds awarded to FSS grantees under this notice may only be used to pay the salary and fringe benefits of FSS program coordinators, including supervisors performing FSS program functions.

2. ***Training Stipend.*** FSS applicants may include a training allowance when calculating salary and fringe benefits. This may include associated travel costs for out-of-area training and membership in professional organizations.

3. ***Job Sharing.*** The funds awarded per eligible FSS coordinator position may support multiple staff through job sharing. However, the number of hours billed to the grant for each funded position may not exceed the "Full-Time Equivalent." This is typically 40 hours per week or 2,080 hours per year, unless defined differently for all employees at your organization.

D. Ineligible Activities

FSS grant funds must not be used for the following purposes (consistent with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements as well as applicable 2 CFR part 200 requirements):

- Administrative expenses
- Direct services for FSS program participants
- The Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS), Jobs Plus, or other supportive services programs
- Routine Public Housing, PBRA, or Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program functions, such as annual reexaminations. Programs may seek HUD approval to perform these functions only if all of the following conditions are met:
  - They are only performing these functions for FSS participants
  - Performing these functions enhances the effectiveness of the FSS program
  - FSS Coordinators are able to fully fulfill their primary roles as FSS coordinators
  - FSS coordinators are not being used to fill in or replace traditional housing staff
- Homeownership functions performed for families not enrolled in the FSS program
- A Contract Administrator, an overall Grant Administrator, or a Financial Management Agent that oversees the implementation or financial aspects of the grant
- Indirect costs, including an Indirect Cost Rate

E. Cost Sharing

Cost sharing, mandatory matching, or leveraging is not required under this grant, but applicants are encouraged to leverage other Federal and non-Federal sources.

IV. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND SUBMISSION

A. Submission Date and Time

Applications must be submitted in GrantSolutions by **October 13, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. ET** to be eligible for funds under this notice.

B. Registration

You <u>must</u> complete the following steps <u>before</u> you can apply for funding. These steps can take time to process, so HUD recommends you complete them <u>as soon as possible</u> to avoid delays in your ability to apply for, receive, or access any award:

1. ***System for Award Management (SAM) & Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).*** You must have a current and active SAM.gov registration and active UEI in SAM.gov at the time of application and throughout the life of the award. You must renew your UEI annually to keep it active. You cannot apply for funding, and we cannot issue you an award, if your SAM registration or UEI are inactive.

2. ***GrantSolutions.*** Ensure that your organization has an active AOR in GrantSolutions. If you do not already have an AOR for your organization, if you do not know who your AOR is, or if they are no longer part of your organization, submit a Grantee User Account Request form to GrantSolutions, copying FSS@HUD.gov, so that you can set up your account in GrantSolutions and we can update our Renewal Applicant records. You must have an AOR to apply for funding or accept any award.

C. Renewal Application

You may apply for FSS funding through a Directed Announcement in GrantSolutions if you meet all applicable requirements under the FSS Funding Notices (Notice PIH 2025-15 and this notice) and have been funded under the FY23, FY24, and/or FY25 FSS Funding Notices/Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).

1. ***Application Notification.*** On or soon after the publication date of this notice, HUD will send a message to all eligible renewal applicants' AORs in GrantSolutions inviting them to apply. If you do not receive an email from GrantSolutions, ensure you completed the mandatory steps in section IV.B before contacting FSS@HUD.gov for support.

2. ***Required Forms.*** Applicants must submit SF-424, Form HUD-52651, and Form HUD-2880. SF-LLL is required if applicable (most often not). These forms are available in the FSS renewal funding directed announcement in GrantSolutions.

D. New Application

If you have not been funded in the FY23, FY24, or FY25 FSS Funding Notices/NOFO, and you are otherwise an Eligible Applicant according to section III.A, you may submit a Statement of Interest via the FSS New Applicant announcement on GrantSolutions to be considered as a New Applicant. **We do not anticipate funding new programs in FY26.** By submitting a Statement of Interest, you are expressing interest in the FSS program and we will notify you should funds become available for new programs to apply in a future year.

1. ***Statement of Interest.*** Your New Applicant Statement of Interest should:

   a. Be on official organizational letterhead
   b. Certify that you are eligible for FSS funding
   c. Include a list of names and contract numbers of the properties intended to be served under this application
   d. Certify that you have the capacity to run an FSS program

e. Certify that you agree to meet all FSS program requirements
f. Certify that you will continue to serve all FSS participants throughout the duration of their CoP, regardless of whether you continue to receive funding under this or any subsequent FSS Funding Notice
g. Be signed and dated by an official authorized by your organization to request such funding

2. ***Applying for Funding.*** If your Statement of Interest is accepted, you may then apply for funding following further instructions from HUD.

3. ***No Guarantee of Funding.*** Being accepted as a New Applicant does not guarantee funding. New Applicants will only receive funding in accordance with the FSS Funding Notices, subject to congressional appropriation.

V. APPLICATION REVIEW

A. Application Review Process

We will evaluate all application requests according to the funding formula described in section II.C. We intend to fund you for the amount that you request in your application, provided your request meets the eligibility requirements outlined in section II.C and you are an eligible applicant as defined in section III.

B. Risk Evaluation

Before making any awards, HUD will evaluate each applicant's likelihood of successfully carrying out the project. Here's what HUD looks at:

Past Performance:

- Government-wide performance data, as noted in 2 CFR 200.206(a)
- Public sources like news reports, Inspector General findings, Government Accountability Office reports, and complaints proven to have merit
- History of managing Federal awards (if applicable), including on-time reporting, meeting planned goals, and following previous award rules. And, the extent to which any previously awarded amounts will be expended prior to future awards
- Reports from past audits, including those performed under 2 CFR part 200, subpart F—Audit Requirements
- History of finishing activities on time and using any promised matching or leveraged funds

Organizational Health:

- Financial stability
- Quality of management systems and ability to meet the management standards in 2 CFR part 200

- Ability to follow all required laws and rules
- Capacity, including staffing structures and capabilities

Results:

- Ability to promote self-sufficiency and economic independence
- Number of people served or targeted for assistance
- Ability to produce positive outcomes and results

VI. AWARD NOTICE

Review this section in conjunction with section X, *Accepting an Award*, of Notice PIH 2025-15.

A. Confirming Ownership of Lead Property

Before an award is made to a PBRA Owner Applicant, HUD will confirm whether the Lead Property ownership entity that applied still owns the Lead Property at the time of award. This may be determined by changes in the Legal Name, UEI, and/or Tax ID Number (TIN). If the Lead Property ownership has changed, another eligible property on the application may become the Lead Property at the time of award.

B. Accessing Funds

FSS funds will be disbursed in eLOCCS, in accordance with the Grant Agreement. Renewal grantees should already have access to eLOCCS. New grantees must gain access to eLOCCS within the Period of Performance or your grant may be terminated for default. Obtaining access requires HUD approval and can be a lengthy process. If your organization does not currently have eLOCCS access, HUD encourages you to begin the process as soon as possible in the event that your organization is awarded funds under this notice. Should you not receive eLOCCS approval in sufficient time, you could potentially face a lapse in availability of FSS program coordinator funding.

Visit https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/eloccs-access for the steps to gain access to eLOCCS through HUD's Secure Systems platform.

VII. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Review this section in conjunction with section X, *Accepting an Award*, of Notice PIH 2025-15.

A. Regulatory and Administrative Requirements

The *General Administrative, National, and Departmental Policy Requirements and Terms for HUD's Financial Assistance Programs* and the *General Statutory and Regulatory Requirements Affecting Eligibility for HUD's Financial Assistance Programs* are posted on the HUD Policies and Regulations webpage. To receive an award, you must adhere to the applicable requirements at the time of application. You must also adhere to the applicable requirements for the life of the award to remain eligible for the award.

If any part or provision of the grant agreement or terms of this notice are enjoined or held to be void or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, they shall be ineffective as to such jurisdiction and only to the extent of such prohibition or enjoinment and shall not invalidate or affect the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions and applications of the agreement and notice. In the event the enjoinment of such provisions is stayed, dissolved, or reversed, the full terms of the grant agreement and notice, including such provisions, will automatically become effective. This clause is self-executing and will become effective, binding, and enforceable automatically upon issuance of this notice.

B. Remedies for Noncompliance/Termination

HUD may terminate, reduce, or limit the availability of a grant for poor performance or substantial noncompliance with program requirements. Poor performance may include low grant expenditure, inability to meet participation requirements, or other reasons.

HUD may terminate all or a part of your award as described under 2 CFR 200.340-343 pursuant to the terms and conditions of your award, including, to the extent authorized by law:

- If an award no longer effectuates the program goals or agency priorities; or
- In the case of a partial termination, if HUD determines that the remaining portion of the award will not accomplish the purposes for which the HUD award was made.

HUD may also impose specific conditions on your award or take other remedies as described by 2 CFR 200.339-343, if you do not comply with your award terms and conditions.

Additional remedies for noncompliance may be found in applicable HUD statutes and regulations pertaining to the FSS program and may also be restated in your Grant Agreement.

C. Reporting

You must comply with the following reporting requirements to remain eligible for HUD funding. See section VIII.B for remedies for noncompliance. Successful recipients of renewal funding awards will be subject to the reporting requirements. You must comply with these requirements to remain eligible for HUD funding.

1. Grantees are subject to all financial reporting requirements as stated in 2 CFR 200.

2. PHA grantees are required to report at least annually for each participant via section 17 of HUD-50058 or HUD-50058-MTW-Expansion or section 23 of HUD-50058-MTW.
3. PBRA grantees may be required to submit an annual participant report through HUD-designated systems and in accordance with applicable program guidance, notices, and reporting instructions issued by HUD.
4. All FSS programs are required to respond to the FSS Annual Survey, which will be sent electronically.
5. HUD reserves the right to exercise all available rights and remedies for any noncompliance with these grants management and financial reporting requirements, to include requiring 100 percent review of grant vouchers or stopping future disbursements altogether if reporting is not timely submitted.

Further, the recipient hereby acknowledges that HUD is in the process of implementing new grants management and reporting tools for all records pertinent to the Federal award. The recipient agrees to report on grant performance and financial activities (including vendor and cash disbursement supporting details for the recipient and its subrecipients) using these new tools when they are released and to satisfy occasional requests for records pertinent to the Federal award, consistent with the requirements for recordkeeping, access to records, and reporting laid out in 2 CFR part 200, which may be amended from time to time. HUD will work with the recipient to support its transition to the new reporting tools. HUD reserves the right to exercise all its available rights and remedies for any noncompliance with these grants management and financial reporting requirements, to include, without limitation, requiring additional or more detailed financial reports, suspension of disbursements, and all other legally available remedies, to the furthest extent permitted by law.

D. Environmental Requirements

In accordance with 24 CFR 50.19(b)(4) and (12), 58.34(a)(4), and 58.35(b)(2), activities funded under this notice are exempt or categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321) and not subject to environmental review under related laws and authorities.

E. Compliance with All Legal Requirements

Grantees are expected to follow all laws, including "Compliance with Immigration Requirements (8 U.S.C. § 1601-1646 and 8 U.S.C. § 1324a.)".

VIII. PRESIDENTIAL ACTIONS AFFECTING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

All recipients of Federal financial assistance are responsible for making sure activities funded by Federal awards comply with applicable existing and future executive orders (EOs) and other Presidential actions, whether the recipients carry out those activities directly or use contractors or subrecipients. The list below highlights some EOs that apply to recipients of HUD's financial assistance programs; however, it is not an exhaustive list.

- EO 14332, *Improving Oversight of Federal Grantmaking*
- EO 14303, *Restoring Gold Standard Science*
- EO 14219, *Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Deregulatory Initiative*
- EO 14218, *Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders*
- EO 14202, *Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias*, and subsequent guidance by the White House Task Force
- EO 14205, *Establishment of the White House Faith Office*, and subsequent guidance by the Senior Advisor to the White House Faith Office
- EO 14182, *Enforcing the Hyde Amendment*
- EO 14173, *Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity*
- EO 14168, *Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government*
- EO 14151, *Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing*
- EO 14148, *Initial Rescission of Harmful Executive Orders and Action*

Find additional directives on the White House's Presidential Actions webpage. Any obligations arising from Executive Orders or other Presidential Actions apply only to the extent permitted by law.

In addition, if any part or provision of the award agreement or terms of this Notice are enjoined or held to be void or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, they shall be ineffective as to such jurisdiction and only to the extent of such prohibition or enjoinment and shall not invalidate or affect the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions and applications of the Agreement and Notice. In the event the enjoinment of such provisions is stayed, dissolved, or reversed, the full terms of the award agreement and Notice, including such provisions, will automatically become effective. This clause is self-executing and will become effective, binding, and enforceable automatically upon issuance of this Notice.

IX. NOTICE IMPACT DETERMINATION RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENT

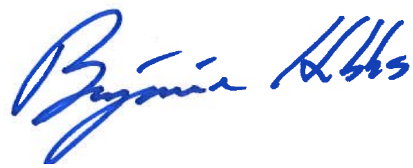
This Notice provides funding under 24 CFR part 984, which concerns activities that are listed in 24 CFR 50.19(b) as categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 USC § 4321) ("NEPA"). So, under 24 CFR 50.19(c)(5)(ii), this NOFO is categorically excluded from environmental review under NEPA.

X. PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT

The information collection requirements contained in this notice are approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, et. seq.). In accordance with the PRA, HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. The active information collections in this notice include OMB Control Number 2577-0178.

XI. CONTACT

For more information, FSS applicants or grantees may contact FSS@hud.gov.



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