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## CPD TO BASE 2003 CDBG GRANTS ON 2000 CENSUS POVERTY, HOUSING DATA

CPD will calculate 2003 CDBG grant allocations to states, metropolitan cities, and urban counties from poverty and housing data from the 2000 Census. (2002 grants used the 2000 Census for population data and the 1990 Census for poverty and housing data.) Statute requires CPD to adjust the formula used to calculate grants every 10 years based on the newest Census data.

To give grantees an idea of their community's gain or loss, CPD recalculated the 2002 grant amounts using 2000 Census data and the current roster of entitlement communities. We posted the results to an Excel spreadsheet on our web page. Some grantees can expect a higher grant for 2003 while others can expect a lower grant. Actual allocations for FY2003 will change depending upon both HUD's 2003 appropriation and changes in the roster of entitlement communities.

Those states, metropolitan cities and urban counties who have a greater than \$300,000 gain or loss from their 2002 allocation or who have greater than a 10% gain or loss from their 2002 allocation have received letters from the Assistant Secretary of CPD notifying them of the potential gain or loss of funds.

To understand why a particular community's grant amount may have changed, one needs to look no further than the 2000 Census data.

Overcrowding is up 39.2% in metropolitan areas, 38.1% in metropolitan cities, 48.9 percent in urban counties, and 49.9% in state balances. Within metropolitan cities, overcrowding is up 33.5% in central cities and 56.8% in suburban cities. These increases are higher than projected and seem to be occurring less in central cities.

Persons in poverty have increased everywhere except in the balance of state areas, where it has declined 2.7% over the decade. The increases are 9.8% for metropolitan areas, 8.3% for metropolitan cities, and 22.8% for urban counties. In central cities and suburbs, the increase is 5.7% and 25.6%, respectively.

Pre-1940 housing is down in all categories but not in all places. For metropolitan areas overall, the decrease is 7.6%. The decreases in metropolitan cities are 9.6% overall, 9.9% in central cities, and 5.4% in suburban cities. The count in urban counties declined 6.9% and the decrease in state balances is 6.3%.

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# THIS MONTH'S CDBG CLEANUP FAQ: REVISING PRE-IDIS VOUCHERS

The CDBG data cleanup initiative continues to yield more accurate data as well as more questions. This month, the CDBG Entitlement Communities Division responds to a new question. For more cleanup FAQs, visit the CDBG Cleanup web page.

Q. At the time of conversion to IDIS, some grantees set up activities for which all funds had been expended but accomplishment and beneficiary data had not yet been reported. When the accomplishments and beneficiaries have been achieved and reported, how can an activity's status be changed to complete? IDIS does not allow grantees to change an activity's status to complete unless a draw on that activity has been made.

**A.** For the CDBG program, conversion to IDIS included preserving pre-IDIS grant and draw information. Pre-IDIS draws for all CDBG activities that were underway at the time of conversion to IDIS are associated with Activity 2. Associating these draws with the correct activity in IDIS will result in the true amount drawn being attributed to that activity and enable the grantee to change that activity's status to complete. To accomplish this, the draw vouchers associated with Activity 2 for pre-IDIS draws must be revised to the correct IDIS activities.

The following is an example of how to revise vouchers from Activity 2 and associate pre-IDIS draws with the correct activity in IDIS. The data are based on actual activity information in IDIS.

Activity 224 has a Total Estimated Amount on the MA08 screen of \$4,257, is funded for \$1.00, and has zero dollars drawn. The following steps will allow the grantee to associate pre-IDIS draws to Activity 224 and, after reporting accomplishment and beneficiary data, change the status of Activity 224 to complete.

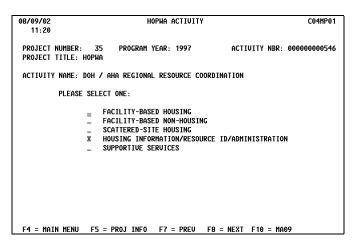
- 1. Fund Activity 224 with an additional \$4,256.00 of EN for a total of \$4,257.00.
- 2. Revise \$4,257.00 from an Activity 2 voucher (summary draw) to Activity 224.
- 3. Reduce Activity 2 funding by \$4,257.00.

The net result of these steps is that Activity 224 has an estimate of \$4,257.00, is funded for \$4,257.00, and has \$4,257.00 drawn. The grantee is now able to change the status of Activity 224 to complete. The funding and drawn amounts for Activity 2 have been reduced by \$4,257.00. The total amount funded and drawn from CDBG remains the same after these steps as it was before these steps, but the information on the use of funds is more accurately represented.

### VER. 6.9 TO FEATURE REVAMPED HOPWA PATH

IDIS Version 6.9, projected to be released this September, will contain enhancements that will make data entry easier for HOPWA grant recipients.

CPD plans to modify the current five options on the HOPWA Activity screen to better reflect the purpose of the activity. The example shows the new choices:



In turn, the sequence of screens displayed for each selection will prompt only for information that needs to be collected.

The existing paths "Facility-Based Housing with Supportive Services" and "Scattered-Site Housing with Supportive Service" will be replaced by two new paths, "Facility-Based Non Housing" and "Housing Information/Resource ID/Administration." (Don't worry, none of your data will be deleted; instead current activities in these two groups will be mapped to one of the three remaining or two new activity types.)

Version 6.9 will also give grantees the capability to delete an incorrect HOPWA path and its associated data.

Additionally, Version 6.9 will give HOPWA grantees a new comprehensive report of their HOPWA projects and corresponding activities. The report will include general project and activity information, common path accomplishments from the MA04 screen, and HOPWA path accomplishments.

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