DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) PROGRAM

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Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Overview Information

A. *Federal Agency Name:* Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD), Office of HIV/AIDS Housing.

B. Funding Opportunity Title: Housing Opportunity for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA).

C. *Announcement Type:* Initial announcement.

D. Funding Opportunity Number: The **Federal Register** number for this NOFA is: FR–4900–N–17. The OMB approval number for this program is 2506–0133.

E. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Numbers: 14.241 Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program.

F. *Dates:* The application due date shall be on July 14, 2004, for the renewal of expiring HOPWA projects which provide permanent supportive housing. Refer to the General Section of the SuperNOFA for application submission, delivery, and timely receipt requirements.

G. Additional Overview Information: 1. Purpose of the Program: To provide states and localities with the resources and incentives to devise long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing and related supportive service needs of low-income persons with Human Immunodeficiency Virus/ Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) and their families. Grant recipients will measure client outcomes in how housing assistance results in creating or maintaining stable housing, reduces risks of homelessness and improves access to health-care and other needed support. States, units of general local government, and nonprofit organizations interested in applying for funding under this grant program should carefully review the General Section of the SuperNOFA and this detailed information listed in the program NOFA. There is no separate Application Kit for this Program NOFA.

2. Available Funds. Approximately \$29,227,000 in FY2004 funds is available to renew grant agreements for Special Projects of National Significance and projects in areas that do not receive HOPWA formula allocations. Funds will be made available under this program NOFA for the renewal of expiring HOPWA grants which provide permanent supportive housing as described in this Program NOFA.

3. *Eligible Applicants*. States, units of general local government, and nonprofit organizations that meet the requirements established in this notice for the renewal of expiring permanent

supportive housing projects may apply for HOPWA competitive funding under this Program NOFA.

4. *Match.* As a new requirement under this notice, requests for HOPWA funding for supportive service activities must be matched on a one-to-one dollar amount; see instructions for match under Section III(B).

5. Other Types of Projects. HUD will issue a separate Notice of Funding Availability at a later date for new projects and projects which continue non-permanent supportive housing efforts, if funding remains after the award of funds under this program NOFA. Funding opportunities may also exist through states and cities, which receive HOPWA formula funds.

6. *Authorities*. If you are interested in applying for funding under this program, please review carefully the General Section of the SuperNOFA and the following sections of this Program NOFA. For more information on the program itself including eligible uses of funds, see the HOPWA program regulations at 24 CFR Part 574 and the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901–12912), which govern the information contained in this Program NOFA.

Full Text of Announcement:

I. Funding Opportunity Description

A. Program Description for the Renewal of Permanent Supportive Housing Grants

Under the provisions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (Pub. L. 108–199, approved January 23, 2004) (FY2004 Appropriations Act), the Secretary is required to renew qualifying expiring contracts for permanent supportive housing projects. Grants funded under prior HOPWA competitions that meet the stated eligibility requirements below and meet all program requirements will be renewed by HUD. Applications will be reviewed on a pass/fail threshold review system and are not required to address the Departmental policy priorities described in the General Section of the SuperNOFA.

1. Definitions

a. *Permanent Supportive Housing* is defined as housing in which the eligible person has a continuous legal right to remain in the unit and which provides the eligible person on-going supportive services through qualified providers. HUD will consider a grant to be providing permanent supportive housing if 51 percent or more of HOPWA program activity funds are used: (1) To provide permanent housing where on-going supportive services are made available through other resources; (2) to provide supportive services where permanent housing is provided through other resources; (3) or some combination of these. Projects primarily offering transitional, or emergency housing options are not eligible under this notice.

b. *Expiring Grant* is defined by the end date in the grant agreement signed with HUD on the existing project, including any amendment or one-year extension approved by HUD, under which the existing grant agreement will expire in federal fiscal year 2004 (*i.e.*, after October 1, 2003), or will expire within 18 months after the date of the publication of this notice).

B. Statutory and Regulatory Requirements

If you are interested in applying for funding under this program, please review carefully the General Section of the SuperNOFA and the following sections of this Program NOFA. For more information on the program itself including eligible uses of funds, see the HOPWA program regulations at 24 CFR Part 574 and the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901), which govern any information contained in this NOFA.

C. Availability of Other HOPWA Resources

1. Other Competitive Funds. HUD is not requesting applications for new projects or projects which would continue non-permanent supportive housing programs under this notice. HUD will issue a separate Notice of Funding Availability at a later date, if funding is available for additional projects, after the award of funds for the renewal of permanent supportive housing Grants.

2. Formula Allocations. You should also consider seeking funds from the formula component of the HOPWA program and from other resources. Ninety percent of the HOPWA program is allocated by formula to eligible states and qualifying cities. In FY2004, a total of \$263,039,000 was allocated by formula to the qualifying cities for 79 eligible metropolitan statistical areas (EMSAs) and to 38 eligible states for areas outside of EMSAs and recipients must follow HUD's Consolidated Plan process. Information on consolidated planning, including HOPWA formula programs and descriptions of previously awarded competitive grants, is available on the HUD Web site at www.hud.gov/ grants.

3. National HOPWA Technical Assistance. To apply for funding to

serve as a provider of HOPWA technical assistance, you must submit an application for funds under the **Community Development Technical** Assistance (CDTA) part of the SuperNOFA. The CDTA notice makes available up to \$2,485,000 in FY2004 funds in HOPWA funds to organizations qualified to provide technical assistance support to HOPWA grantees and project sponsors on a national or regional basis. Organizations seeking help in managing their HOPWA project, such as in planning, operating, reporting to HUD and evaluating HOPWA programs, can request TA help by contacting the state or area CPD office.

II. Award Information

A. Total

Through this program NOFA, approximately \$29,227,000 in FY2004 funds is being made available for HOPWA awards for the renewal of permanent supportive housing projects.

B. Number and Timing of Awards

HUD anticipates that 24–28 projects will be renewed under this notice and that awards will be announced by August 31, 2004. It is expected that the selected projects will continue program activities under a new grant agreement for an additional three years, to begin following the completion or termination of their existing grant agreement.

C. Maximum Grant Award

In order to fairly distribute available funding, the maximum grant award that you may receive for your project is:

1. For program activities: \$1,300,000 (*e.g.*, activities that directly benefit eligible persons);

2. For grant administrative costs of the grantee: 3 percent of the awarded grant amount (*e.g.*, an additional \$39,000 if the maximum grant is awarded);

3. For grant administrative costs for project sponsors: 7 percent of the amounts received by the project sponsor under the grant (*e.g.*, an additional \$91,000 if the maximum grant is awarded);

4. For data collection on project outcomes: An additional \$25,000; and

5. Total for maximum renewal grant amount: \$1,455,000.

D. Average Grant Award

Based on the results of the 2003 HOPWA competition, the average grant award for the 28 grants selected was \$1,056,000.

E. Restrictions

Funding restrictions are found in Section IV(E) of this Program NOFA.

III. Eligibility Information

A. Eligible Applicants

1. General Eligibility on Expiring Grants for Permanent Supportive Housing. Eligible applicants are states, units of general local government, and nonprofit organizations, which have been awarded funds under a previous HOPWA national competition and operated their project under a signed grant agreement with HUD. To be eligible, your project must provide permanent supportive housing to eligible persons under an expiring grant and meet the threshold requirements established under this program NOFA for your proposal to continue this project.

2. Additional Eligibility for Grants to Nonprofit Organizations. If you are a nonprofit organization, you must also continue to satisfy the nonprofit requirements established in the definition of eligible nonprofit organization found in 24 CFR 574.3. In the case that your nonprofit status has changed since the time of your original application to HUD under the prior competition, or, in the case that a nonprofit organization is being added to your continuing project in your application, you will also need to submit the related required information described in Section IV(B) of this program NOFA.

3. Additional Eligibility for Grants That Meet Program Requirements. To be eligible, you must be operating your existing project in a manner that meets program requirements. This is evidenced by having no unresolved grants management issues with your existing project, such as unresolved actions pending under a HUD notice of default on your current grant. This is evidenced by no unresolved problems or weak performance on your existing grant, during the active competitive period from the date of publication of this program NOFA until the selection of renewal applications. Unresolved problems may include HUD knowledge that planned activities remain significantly delayed in their implementation, a significant number of planned housing units are vacant, annual progress reports are not filed with HUD, or significant citizen complaints are unresolved or not responded to with justified reasons. Weak performance is also evident if more than 50 percent of grant funds remain recorded as unexpended as of the application due date for renewals under this program NOFA, as measured by reimbursements filed with HUD's financial system, PAS (Performance Accounting System).

B. Cost Sharing or Matching

A new requirement for this program NOFA is a matching of funds for supportive services. All applicants for HOPWA funds for renewal must document the commitment of other funds equal to or greater than the amount requested for supportive services. The list or chart of commitments should be attached to your application and must include: (1) The name of the organization or entity that will contribute match funds and if the organization will serve as a project sponsor; (2) describe the work to be accomplished, such as the type of supportive service activities to be undertaken to support the project; (3) the value of cash match contribution related to the HOPWA supportive service funding requested; and (4) a letter from the organization or entity confirming this commitment of resources. The Department expects to collect information in annual progress reports that the cash match funds are used, as committed, in undertaking the renewal project. Failure to evidence such use of the additional resources could result in a notice of default and affect the project's continued access to federal funds. Supportive service requests are also subject to funding restrictions found in Section IV(E) of this program NOFA.

C. Other Eligibility Requirements

1. Threshold Requirements

HUD will review your application to determine that you are eligible for renewal funding, as follows:

a. *Eligible Applicant.* (1) Your application is consistent with the requirements of Section III of this program NOFA for eligibility based on applicant requirements, project sponsors and the lack of any unresolved management issues; and

(2) Your application complies with the Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number Requirement. Beginning in federal Fiscal Year 2004, any applicant seeking funding directly from HUD must obtain a DUNS number and include it in their SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance submission. Failure to provide a DUNS number can prevent you from obtaining an award. This policy is pursuant to OMB Policy issued in the Federal Register on June 27, 2003 (68 FR 38402). More information on the requirement of the DUNS Number can be found in the General Section of this NOFA.

b. *Expiring Grants.* Your application is consistent with the definition for a

HOPWA expiring grant in Section I(A)(1) of this program NOFA.

c. *Permanent Supportive Housing Projects.* Your application is consistent with the definition for a HOPWA expiring grant in Section I(A)(2) of this program NOFA.

d. *Eligible Project Sponsors.* Your application is consistent with the requirements for eligibility of project sponsors, as follows:

(1) If the project sponsor is a nonprofit organization, that organization must also continue to satisfy the nonprofit requirements established in the definition of eligible nonprofit organization found in 24 CFR 574.3. In the case that the organization's nonprofit status has changed since the time of your original application to HUD under the prior competition, or, in the case that a nonprofit organization is being added to your continuing project in your application, you will also need to submit the related required information described in Section IV(B) of this program NOFA.

The project should also continue with the same project sponsors, as documented in the prior HOPWA application or amendments to that application as approved by HUD. HUD will consider the merits for changing a project sponsor as sufficient if the new sponsor evidences the capacity to enhance project operations or improve responsiveness to eligible persons. Such examples for changing a project sponsor may be that a new project sponsor has greater management, financial, or program service delivery capacity to conduct program activities or a prior project sponsor is no longer in operation, had evidence of inefficient or unresponsive behavior under their prior service, or has merged with another entity.

2. Program Requirements

a. General Provisions. The provisions outlined within the General Section of the SuperNOFA apply to the HOPWA program unless otherwise stated within this program NOFA. Specifically, you are encouraged to review, Section III(C)—Other: Requirements and Procedures Applicable to All Programs. The threshold requirements in the General Section of the SuperNOFA apply to the HOPWA program and applicants must meet all threshold requirements to receive funding.

b. Environmental Reviews. All HOPWA assistance is subject to the National Environmental Policy Act and applicable related federal environmental authorities. This year's NOFA is limited to the renewal of expiring HOPWA projects that provide permanent

supportive housing. While most eligible activities, such as tenant-based rental assistance, supportive services, operating costs, and administrative costs, are excluded from environmental review because of the lack of environmental impact, some activities may require environmental review. In accordance with Section 856(h) of the AIDS Housing Opportunities Act, environmental reviews for HOPWA activities are to be completed by responsible entities (including units of general local government, states, Indian tribes, and Alaska Native villages) in accordance with 24 CFR part 58. Applicants or grantees that are not states or units of general local government must request the unit of general local government to perform the environmental review. This statutory provision was implemented in a recent final amendment of the HOPWA regulation at 24 CFR 574.510 (68 FR 56130, published on September 29, 2003). HOPWA grantees and project sponsors may not commit or expend any grant or nonfederal funds on project activities until HUD has approved a Request for Release of Funds (RROF) and environmental certification from the responsible entity (other than those listed in 24 CFR 58.22(f), 58.34 or 58.35(b) for which the responsible entity documents its findings of exemption or exclusion for the environmental review record (24 CFR 58.34 (b) or 24 CFR 58.35 (d)). The recipient, its project partners and their contractors may not acquire, rehabilitate, convert, lease, repair, dispose of demolish, or construct property for a project, or commit or expend HUD or local funds for such eligible activities, until the responsible entity (as defined in 58.2) has completed the environmental review procedures required by 24 CFR part 58 and the environmental certification and RROF have been approved. The expenditure or commitment of HOPWA or nonfederal funds for such activities prior to this HUD approval may result in the denial of assistance for the project under consideration. The recipient shall supply all available, relevant information necessary for the responsible entity to perform, for each property, any environmental review required.

c. Required HOPWA Performance Goals. Grant recipients must conduct activities consistent with their planned annual housing assistance output goals, objectively measure actual achievements against anticipated achievements and report on their actual outputs. Please use the Renewal Project Information Form, found in Appendix

A, for recording your summary of proposed accomplishments on housing assistance outputs. Also please use the HOPWA Renewal Budget Form, found in Appendix A, for recording the funding for housing assistance activities that is associated with these outputs, including any funding request for HOPWA funds and/or your commitment to use other funds for this purpose. If other funds were used in your current grant to provide the permanent housing support, please establish your annual output targets for continuing this housing assistance at a similar level of housing activity. Applicants should also establish a reasonable client outcome goal to be quantified as a baseline after each year of operation to demonstrate client outcomes.

(1) Required Output. The projected number of households by type of housing units, to be provided through your project during each operating year.

(2) Required Outcome. Increase the amount of housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible persons to establish or maintain housing stability, reduce the risk of homelessness, and access health care, and other support for eligible persons.

d. Optional Program Performance Goals.

(1) Outputs. Your application for the HOPWA Program may include other measures or annual indicators, such as the projected numbers of persons, client contacts by service, the number of permanent housing client plans established by case managers, the number of jobs created through a job training or skills development program or other measures of the numbers to be served through each activity during each project operating year.

(2) Outcomes. In addition, the applicant may establish other outcome goals, such as: Increase the access to permanent housing for eligible persons to enable these households to become more self-sufficient as evidenced by increase in income or reduced need for housing or other subsidies and support; improve the neighborhood housing conditions in which low-income and homeless eligible persons and their families live, by promoting the development of housing that is safe, decent, and sanitary. Results may be evidenced by increases in property values, improved neighborhood security, home-ownership rates, or other measurable indicators that would describe evidence of neighborhood stability and increased investment. In addition, outcomes should also address the challenge of homelessness for persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families, including persons who are

chronically homeless, by enabling them to move to permanent housing with appropriate supportive services assistance. Results may be measured in coordination with measures used by the area's homeless assistance efforts, such as decreases in the number of chronically homeless individuals in the community.

e. *HUD Logic Model.* To illustrate the planning for the use of resources, project activities, outputs, outcomes, and goals please use the Logic Model (Form HUD–96010) in the General Section of the SuperNOFA to meet these application requirements. Applicants must make use of the required elements in paragraph (a) in this form.

3. Eligible Activities

a. *Renewal Guidelines on Eligible Activities.*

(1) The activities to be renewed must be on-going forms of support over three years, such as rental assistance and short-term rent, mortgage, and utility payments which establish or maintain stable permanent housing, reduce current resident's risks of homelessness, and improves eligible persons' access to health care and other needed support. The permanent supportive housing may also help maintain the client's current residence, establish a new residence, or provide operating costs for housing facilities, leasing of housing facilities, related supportive service costs, housing information services, resource identification activities, and technical assistance related to community residences. Housing information services and permanent housing placement services may also be used in order to assist beneficiaries in moving to other permanent housing, such as outplacement to independent living arrangements, homeownership, or other on-going housing, which do not involve HOPWA funds.

(2) Operating costs for permanent supportive housing facilities that involved the use of funding for its acquisition, new construction or rehabilitation in the prior or original grant, will be eligible to maintain the operation of these projects over the term of the renewal grant.

(3) Administrative costs for grantees and project sponsors and funds for data collection on project outcomes is available as part of your renewal budget request. HUD expects that the use of data collection funds will help to ensure strong program management and result in accurate reporting on the provision of planned housing assistance outputs and related client outcomes in achieving housing stability, reduced risks of homelessness and improved access to health-care and other support for beneficiaries.

b. General Guidelines on Eligible Activities. In addition to the above, eligible activities with their standards and limitations may be found in the HOPWA regulations at 24 CFR 574.300– 340. A copy of the regulations may be downloaded from http://www.hud.gov/ offices/cpd/aidshousing/lawsregs/ index.cfm. You are encouraged to review the HOPWA regulations before seeking funding.

(1) Housing Assistance. Your renewal project must clearly address the permanent supportive housing needs of eligible persons. If you are proposing to continue some level of emergency or transitional housing assistance, your plan must include linkages to the provision of permanent supportive housing and show that the permanent supportive housing activity is the primary activity of your grant.

(2) Supportive Services. Many of the eligible persons who will be served by HOPWA may need services in addition to housing. It is important that you design programs which enhance access to those needed services, including access to existing mainstream resources of health-care, AIDS drug assistance, and other services funded through the Ryan White CARE Act or other federal, state, local, or private funds. To the extent possible, HUD encourages projects to incorporate mainstream resources into their project plans to maximize the benefit of requested HOPWA funds. Mainstream resources may include private, other public, and mainstream services and housing programs that provide benefits to eligible persons. Applicants are encouraged to create community wide strategies to coordinate assistance to eligible persons through these mainstream programs. These mainstream programs include Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Food Stamps, and services funded through the Mental Health Block Grant and Substance Abuse Block Grant, Workforce Investment Act, and the Welfare-to-Work grant program. While HUD recognizes that there are many ways to ensure that eligible persons receive the services they need, to the extent possible, HUD encourages you to operate housing programs which do not require participation in services as a part of your or your project sponsor's tenancy requirements. Additional restrictions and limitations that apply to supportive services such as health care costs can be found in the program regulations at 24 CFR 574.300.

(3) Other Approved Activities. You may propose to continue other activities in your application based on HUD's prior approval of this activity under your current grant. Such other activities have included shallow rent subsidy programs and homeownership efforts. Please discuss the beneficial impact of these alternative activities in addressing housing needs of eligible persons in your application.

(4) Project Outcome Funding. You must request funding to conduct data collection on project outcomes to support accurate reporting to HUD on the performance outputs and outcomes of your service delivery model. Project outcome activities include:

(a) Defining monitoring questions that will be addressed and examined during the project period;

(b) Specifying additional measures, in addition to the use of standard HOPWA output and outcome measures, for your project as incorporated in the standard logic model.

(c) Developing instruments to assess project outcomes and systems outcomes;

(d) Training project staff in the collection of data, including the preparation of the standard HOPWA Annual Progress Report to HUD;

(e) Using Management Information System (MIS), including coordinating assistance for persons who are homeless and persons who are chronically homeless in collaboration with area Homeless Management Informative System (HMIS) efforts under the area's Continuum of Care;

(f) Monitoring data collection activities to assure that submissions are complete and accurate, including data coding and entry;

(g) Summarizing and analyzing data collected in an effort to identify project baseline data on outcomes and any statistical trends to determine program effectiveness for the clients served;

(h) Participating in HUD-sponsored collaborations and HUD-designated training events in order to prepare and disseminate the findings of reports on project accomplishments and lessons learned; and

(i) Applicants may include an expert third-party to conduct project outcome activities, but grantees are encouraged to train staff internally. Such training will increase the internal capacity of your organization and your partner organizations by learning how to make use of project outcome data in operating and adjusting assistance provided to eligible persons.

4. Ineligible Renewal Activities

Funds for acquisition, new construction or for rehabilitation costs

will not be renewed. These capital development activities are not ongoing or available for additional sites. If you wish to undertake additional capital development activities or to add funding for new activities, such as operating costs and services, you must apply under a separate notice that will be issued by HUD, if funds remain available.

IV. Application and Submission Information

A. Addresses To Request Application Package

For Applications. All information required to complete and return a valid application is included in the General Section and this program NOFA of the SuperNOFA, including appendices. Copies of the General Section, this program NOFA, and appendices, including the application, are available and may be downloaded from http:// www.grants.gov. If you are unable to download any of the materials in the SuperNOFA, program NOFA and its appendixes, please call the SuperNOFA Information Center at 800-HUD-8929 (800-483-8929) for a copy of the General Section and this program NOFA of the SuperNOFA. Persons with hearing or speech challenges may access the above number via TTY (text telephone) by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339 (this is a toll-free number)

B. Content and Form of Application Submission

Applicants are requested to submit the following information:

1. Application for Federal Assistance (Form SF-424). You should complete this form and include these responses, as applicable, for items 1 through 18:

- —Item 7—The applicable letters are "A" for state; "B, C, or D" for a unit of local government; or "O" for Nonprofit;
- —Item 9—Enter U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or HUD if not preprinted;
- —Item 10—Enter 14–241 and the title "Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program" or "HOPWA" for the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance;
- —Item 15—You must complete the budget on page 1 and the HOPWA Renewal Project Budget Form. Please make sure that both the Total Amount on page 1 and the "Total Budget" section on the HOPWA Renewal Project Budget Form are the same. In the event that the total budgets are in conflict, HUD will refer to the HOPWA Project Budget form.

—Item 16—Check "No".

2. Executive Summary and Synopsis. On no more than five double spaced pages, please provide an Executive Summary of the proposed renewal project, beginning with a two to three sentence synopsis of the focus or special purposes of your project. The summary should provide an overview of the main components of your planned HOPWA project, including any updated elements from the original project application. In the Executive Summary, please provide the name of the grantee and any project sponsors, along with contact names, phone numbers, and e-mail address.

3. HOPWA Renewal Project Information Form (see Appendix A). Complete the form including the following:

a. *Project Sponsor*. You must identify any organization that will receive HOPWA funds as a project sponsor and the amount of funds to be received.

b. *Service Areas.* Your application must identify the area(s) in which you are proposing to continue to provide housing, related supportive services and other assistance.

c. Planned Results. The form should summarize your proposed accomplishments in annual housing assistance outputs and the number of persons expected to be assisted for each year of the expected three-year operating period. As described in Section VI(C), the grantee is expected to report on client outcomes in achieving housing stability, reduced risks of homelessness and improved access to health-care and other needed support and an Outputs and Outcomes Worksheet is provided for informational purposes in developing your evaluation plans.

4. Organizational Capacity Narrative. If a new project sponsor(s) is added to the proposal, please describe the capacity of the project sponsor(s) to conduct program activities and attach to your application the documentation of the organization's nonprofit status and HIV/AIDS purposes, as described in Section III(A) on eligibility. Please provide this narrative information on no more than two double-spaced typed pages. If you are adding more than one project sponsor, you may include up to two additional pages per project sponsor. In your statement, please address the extent to which the project sponsor(s) have the past organizational experience and knowledge: In serving persons with HIV/AIDS and their families; in programs similar to those proposed in your application; in monitoring and evaluating program performance and disseminating

information on project outcomes; and, in achieving the purpose for which funds were provided, as measured by expenditures and measurable progress in operating the project. In the case that your nonprofit status has changed since the time of your original application to HUD for which you were selected for funding, or, in the case that a nonprofit organization is being added to your continuing project in your application, you will also need to submit the related required information to establish that you are an eligible nonprofit organization and that your organizational documents include a purpose of significant activities related to providing services or housing to persons with HIV/AIDS. Please submit these items listed below.

a. We will accept as evidence of your nonprofit status:

(1) A copy of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) ruling providing taxexempt status under Section 501(c)(3), (4), (6), (7), (9) or (19) of the IRS code; or

(2) A ruling from the Treasury Department of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico granting income tax exemption under section 101 of the Income Tax Act of 1954, as amended (13 LPRA 3101); or

(3) Documentation that the applicant is a certified United Way agency; or

(4) Copy of your most recent completed tax statement, Form IRS–990 or Form 990–EZ; or

(5) All of these:

(a) A certification by the appropriate official of the jurisdiction under whose laws the nonprofit was organized that your organization was so organized and is in good standing;

(b) A certification from a designated official of the organization that no part of the net earnings of the organization inures to the benefit of any member, founder, contributor, or individual; that the organization has a voluntary board; and that the organization practices nondiscrimination in the provision of assistance in accordance with applicable program requirements; and

(c) An opinion letter from an independent public accounting (IPA) firm that the nonprofit has a functioning accounting system that provides for each of these (the letter must mention all of them).

(i) Accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each federally funded project;

(ii) Records that identify adequately the source and application of funds for federally funded activities;

(iii) Effective control over and accountability for all funds, property and other assets;

(iv) Comparison of outlays with budget amounts;

(v) Written procedures to minimize the time elapsing between the transfer of funds to the recipient from the U.S. Treasury and the use of funds for program purposes;

(vi) Written procedures for determining reasonableness, allocable, and allowable costs; and

(vii) Accounting records including cost accounting records that are supported by source documentation.

b. We will accept as evidence of your organization's HIV/AIDS-related purpose, a copy of the organization's articles of incorporation and by-laws, mission statement, program management plan, or other organizational policy document which evidences the organization's activities or objectives related to providing services or housing to persons with HIV/AIDS.

5. Provision of Current Permanent Supportive Housing Narrative. On no more than four double-spaced pages, demonstrate how your project provides permanent supportive housing through HOPWA and other resources, and report on how the project has been meeting housing assistance outputs compared to planned and approved number of households or units of housing under the current grant. Include the type of assistance and number of housing units being provided and a description of the supportive services provided. Additionally, your description should outline how HOPWA and other funding, if applicable, work together to provide permanent supportive housing, including any efforts that have helped clients achieve greater self-sufficiency through access to other on-going housing options, which do not depend on HOPWA funds. Describe how your project has been meeting planned performance benchmarks, as appropriate, in program development and operation; in meeting project performance goals, such as, that the number of persons assisted is comparable to the number that was planned at the time of the application; and in expending funds consistent with the existing agreement with HUD. Also describe how you evaluated project data on performance, adjusted program activities and shared information that vou have gained from your lessons learned on these past activities.

6. Need for Renewal Chart. Additionally, you should complete the HOPWA Need for Renewal Chart, which demonstrates that your prior grant agreement with HUD will expired in federal fiscal year 2004 or will expire within eighteen months of the date of publication of this notice. You must complete the HOPWA Need for Renewal Chart (Appendix A).

7. Achieving New Results and Program Evaluation Narrative. On more than three pages identify the housing benefits or outcomes of your renewal program including your activities, benchmarks, and performance output indicators over the next three grant operating years. Your application should address your evaluation plan or your method for collecting data on HUD program measures to evidence achievement of your project's goals and objectives and to establish a baseline for client outcomes. You should also complete and attach to your application the Logic Model (Form HUD-96010) found in the General Section of the SuperNOFA, to illustrate you plans for the use of resources, project activities, outputs, outcomes, and goals.

8. HOPWA Renewal Budget Form. Please complete the HOPWA Renewal Budget Form (see Appendix A), which will provide a summary of the total budget for this project, the annual HOPWA amounts to be used in each of the three years of operations and description budget by project sponsor of the HOPWA funds to be used by each sponsor. You must provide a description of each of your requested budget line items and how the funds will be used, including the amount of requested funding by line item for you and your project sponsors.

9. Documentation of Match for Supportive Services. If your project requests funding for supportive services, you must match the HOPWA amount with evidence of commitments from other state, local, federal, or private resources to provide the housing or supportive services. You must document that such assistance will be provided throughout the term of the renewal grant. In your application, provide a list or chart of the commitments and include: (1) The name of the organization or entity that will contribute match funds and if the organization will serve as a project sponsor; (2) describe the work to be accomplished, such as the type of supportive service activities to be undertaken to support the project; (3) the value of cash match contribution; and (4) attach a letter from the organization or entity confirming this commitment of resources

10. Statutory Certifications. HOPWA applicants are not required to provide the forms, certifications, and assurances listed in the General Section of the SuperNOFA unless stated below. The following certifications must be included with your application. All certifications and forms, except those found in the General Section of the SuperNOFA, are included in the appendix in this program NOFA.

a. Certifications found in the General Section of the SuperNOFA

(1) Consolidated Plan Certification (HUD-2991). Except as stated below, you must include a Consolidated Plan certification from the applicable state or local government official responsible for submitting the appropriate plan. If your project will be carried out on a national basis or will be located on a reservation of an Indian tribe, or in one of the U.S. Territories of Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, or the Northern Mariana Islands, you are not required to include a Consolidated Plan certification with your application. The authorizing official from the state or local government must sign this certification.

(2) Assurances and Certifications (HUD–424 B).

(3) Consistency with the RC/EZ/EC Strategic Plan (HUD–2990)—if applicable to the service area of your project.

(4) Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/ Update Report (HUD–2880).

(5) Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF–LLL).

b. HOPWA Applicant Certifications (see Appendix A of this program NOFA—one form).

(1) Fair Housing and Non-Discrimination for the HOPWA Eligible Population;

(2) Environmental Law and Authorities; and

(3) HOPWA Facility Use Periods.

C. Submission Dates

Application Due Date. Your completed applications (an original and one copy to HUD Headquarters and one additional copy to the CPD Division of HUD's state or area office that supports the applicants' project area) are due on July 14, 2004. Failure to meet this due date will make any application for renewal funding ineligible for funds to be awarded under this program NOFA. Please follow standards for the submission of your application which are established in the General Section of the SuperNOFA.

D. Intergovernmental Review

The HOPWA program is not subject to Executive Order (EO) 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs.

E. Funding Restrictions

As an applicant for renewal funding, you must specify the annual amount needed to continue each activity for each of the planned three years if continuing operations or specify the number of years and related amounts for your request. HUD will review your application to determine the amount of approved funds, as follows:

1. Your request for funding is consistent with the following limitations on maximum grant amounts:

a. For program activities: A maximum of no more than \$1,300,000 (e.g., activities that directly benefit eligible persons), subject to the limitations in this section;

b. For grant administrative costs of the grantee: A maximum of no more than an additional \$39,000, subject to the limit on administrative costs of three percent of the amount requested for project activities in your application for grantees.

c. For grant administrative costs for project sponsors: A maximum of no more than an additional \$91,000, subject to the limit on administrative costs of seven percent of the amount requested for project activities to be conducted by project sponsors in your application.

d. For data collection on project outcomes: A maximum of no more than an additional \$25,000 for the purpose of the collection of data on program housing assistance outputs and client outcomes;

e. Total for maximum renewal grant amount: \$1,455,000, subject to applicable limitations in this section and if funds are requested for a term of less than three years, HUD reserves the right to reduced these amounts in a proportionate manner.

2. Your request for the supportive services line item in program activities is consistent with the program limit of not more than 35 percent of the maximum program activity costs, (*i.e.*, not more than \$455,000 over a threeyear period), and any such costs must be matched with other resources consistent with the requirements of Section III of this program NOFA.

3. Your request for the technical assistance for the community residences and resource identification activities line item in program activities is consistent with the program limit of not more than 5 percent of the maximum program activity costs, (*i.e.*, not more than \$65,000 over a three-year period).

4. Your request for program activity costs does not include a request for funds for acquisition, new construction, or for rehabilitation costs, or costs involving new housing facility sites, such as operating costs or leasing. These capital development activities are not on going and funds for additional facility sites are not being made available. 5. Your request for program activity costs requests amounts for continuing a previously approved project at about the same level of housing and/or services provided in the previous grant. The amounts must not be more than 120 percent of the amount awarded or approved by HUD in the current grant for an activity, including any amendments affecting this amount that were approved by HUD, prior to the publication of this program NOFA, except as provided in paragraph (6).

6. A reasonable amount of funds may be requested which exceed the limits of paragraph (5) in the case that:

(a) A permanent supportive housing project in which acquisition, new construction, or rehabilitation were the major components of the original project; or

(b) A project that was selected by HUD but the amount was reduced due to the lack of available competitive funds (*i.e.*, the amount was not reduced due to an applicant's mathematical errors or for deletion of ineligible activities).

The renewal application may establish a three-year budget for the annual on going housing, operating and related supportive services costs to maintain these permanent supportive housing projects based on the scope of their previously approved project or their application, as adjusted under Subsection

(c). The amount requested must be based on information for the current costs for operating the project but the request may not exceed the other limits established in paragraphs (1) through (4) above. HUD reserves the right to adjust requests under this paragraph to the scale of projects of similar size and purpose.

7. HUD will not approve proposals that depend on future decisions on how funds are to be used, for example, a proposal to establish a local request-forproposal process to select activities or project sponsors.

F. Other Submission Requirements

Where and How to Send Your Application. Your completed application shall consist of an original signed application and two copies. Submit the original application and one copy to: HUD Headquarters; Robert C. Weaver Federal Building; 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7251; Washington, DC 20410; Attn: HOPWA. Submit the additional one copy of your application to the CPD Division of the state or area office that serves the area in which activities are proposed. For multi-state efforts, you must submit the copy of your application to the field office that serves your main office. *See* the General Section of the SuperNOFA for addresses for area HUD state or area offices. When submitting your applications, please refer to HOPWA, and include your name, mailing address (including zip code), facsimile, email, and telephone number (including area code). For more information see the General Section of the SuperNOFA for specific procedures governing the form of application submission (*e.g.*, mailed applications, express mail, or overnight delivery).

V. Application Review Information

A. Criteria

1. *General.* HUD will conduct a threshold review of all renewal applications based on the requirements found under Section III. (C)(1) to determine eligibility for the renewal of HOPWA grants that provide permanent supportive housing under an expiring grant.

2. *Criteria on New Sponsors.* In the case that a project sponsor is being added, HUD will also conduct a substantive review of project capacity under the following criteria:

a. HUD will review the project sponsor's ability to develop and operate your proposed program as a pass/fail review based on the requirements for an eligible project sponsor established in Section III and on a substantive review under this section. With regard to new project sponsor(s), HUD will consider the organization's past experience and knowledge: in serving persons with HIV/AIDS and their families; in programs similar to those proposed in your application; in monitoring and evaluating program performance and disseminating information on project outcomes; and in achieving the purpose for which funds were provided, as measured by expenditures and measurable progress in operating the project. A proposed sponsor, that fails to meet the conditions established for adding a sponsor or fails to demonstrate sufficient capacity will be ineligible to receive program funds.

b. In reviewing the elements of organizational capacity as stated above, HUD will rate the proposed sponsor on the basis of 20 points, with a minimum of 14 points required for selection of this sponsor as eligible in demonstrating sufficient capacity. HUD will consider the extent to which your proposal demonstrates the following capacity, and award the highest points (20 to 16 points) to those with direct, extensive, clear and satisfactory experience, moderate scores (15 to 10 points) to those with direct but not as extensive experience or where the experience covers most but not all of these items; and lower scores (9 to 2 point) if the experience is limited, indirect on only some of the items or for which only limited or no information is provided. An organization with unresolved management issues affecting their HOPWA proposal will be scored at the lowest level (1 point):

(1) The knowledge and experience of the proposed project director and staff, including the day-to-day program manager, consultants, and contractors in planning and managing the kind of activities for which you are requesting funds. The project sponsor will be reviewed in terms of recent, relevant, and successful experience of staff to undertake eligible program activities, including experience and knowledge in serving low-income persons with HIV/ AIDS and their families.

(2) The project sponsor's experience in managing complex interdisciplinary programs, especially those involving housing and community development programs directly relevant to the work activities proposed and carrying out grant management responsibilities.

(3) If the project sponsor received funding in previous years in the program area for which you are currently seeking funding, the sponsor's past experience will be reviewed in terms of its ability to attain demonstrated measurable progress in the implementation of the grant award. Measurable progress is defined as: meeting performance benchmarks, as applicable, in program development and operation; meeting project goals and objectives, such as, that the number of persons assisted was comparable to the number that was planned at the time of application; submitting timely performance reports; and expending prior funding as outlined in the prior proposal with no outstanding audit or monitoring issues.

B. Reviews and Selection Process

1. Selection of Renewal Applications. To the degree that funds are available, the Department will select for funding all renewal requests from applicants that meet program requirements and pass a threshold review for a need for renewal. HUD will also review requests and adjust funding consistent with funding restrictions found in Section IV. (E). If the amount of the approvable request for renewal activities for all eligible applicants is greater than the amount made available by this notice, HUD will select all of the approvable applications and allocate awards to each based on a pro rata reduction to the amount available under this notice. This action will help to ensure that all

eligible and performing renewal grants receive funding that allows their continued operation.

2. *HUD Reviews.* HUD staff will conduct this review, including staff from Headquarters' Office of HIV/AIDS Housing and in HUD's state and area field offices.

3. *Policy Priorities.* Applicants seeking renewal funding under this program NOFA are not required to address HUD's policy priorities. Applicants are encouraged to review and voluntarily address relevant HUD's policy priorities as outlined in the General Section of the SuperNOFA. Please note in your application if you undertake any of this optional program effort.

C. Anticipated Announcement and Award Dates

The anticipated announcement of the FY2004 HOPWA renewal awards is no later than August 31, 2004.

VI. Award Administration Information

A. Award Notices

1. Applicant Notification. HUD will notify the eligible applicants of their selection for award or non-selection by letter to be mailed to the applicant's authorized official and the address provided in your application. The CPD Division of HUD's state or area office will provide a second letter with a copy of a proposed grant agreement along with instructions on any adjustments to the grant amount requested and other conditions identified during the review for conducting planned activities and on the close out of the current grant. After the issuance of the selection notice letter, a grantee may be eligible for preaward costs if necessary to continue delivery of the project activities. Such costs are subject to the recipient's own risk and other limitations, and require HUD approval to incur pre-award costs.

2. Applicant Debriefing. Applicants requesting to be debriefed must send a written request to: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Attention: Office of HIV/AIDS Housing; 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7212; Washington, DC 20401-7000. Telephone number is (202) 708-1934. Persons with hearing or speech challenges may access the above number via TTY (text telephone) by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339 (this is a tollfree number). Additional information regarding debriefing can be found in the General Section of the SuperNOFA.

B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

1. Grant Purposes and Agreements to Operate Eligible Permanent Supportive Housing Grants

Subject to penalties for false representation, and as a requirement for the receipt of these federal funds, the grant applicant agrees to maintain project eligibility and related documentation on the following:

a. Agreement to Continue the Provision of Permanent Housing. In applying for these renewal funds, your application constitutes an agreement that you will continue to provide permanent supportive housing support to HOPWA eligible persons over the operating period of this grant. This agreement must insure that at least 51 percent of the HOPWA program activity funds awarded to your grant are used for this purpose and any new funds and related commitment of other funds will continue to provide permanent supportive housing to eligible persons for the planned annual outputs. These output goals will be established in your application by recording your summary of proposed accomplishments on housing assistance outputs for each of the planned three years of operation. The output goals were established in connection with the plan for funding the housing assistance activities, including any funding request for HOPWA funds and/or your commitment to use other funds for this purpose. If other funds were used in your current grant to provide the permanent housing support, your application will establish your annual output targets for continuing this housing assistance, as addressed in the next paragraph. To determine whether your grant continues to meets this purpose, you may also adapt the use the Permanent Supportive Housing Worksheet found in the appendix. Failure to maintain this project purpose would constitute a grant default.

b. Agreement to Continue the Use of Other Resources. If your project has relied on other state, local, federal, or private resources to provide the permanent housing or supportive services portion of your project, you must agree to ensure that the other resources will continue to be available for that purpose throughout the term of the renewal grant. The continuing assistance must be substantially similar to the type or resources, which were documented within the original application to HUD (including any amendments approved by HUD and renewals), and the continuing resources will be used in conjunction with

requested HOPWA funds. As a new requirement in 2004, the application must demonstrate commitments that match or exceed the amount of HOPWA funds requested for supportive services. See instruction under Section III. (B) for match requirements. Failure to maintain this project use of other resources would constitute a grant default.

c. Agreement to Evidence of Permanent Client Occupancy. Except for funds used for short-term mortgage, rent and utility payments, you must agree to maintain evidence that the client has a continuous legal right to remain in the unit or property and has access to on-going supportive services provided through qualified providers. You must include in your grant files a copy of the standard lease form or occupancy agreement used for residents of the project. The lease or occupancy agreement must be for a term of at least one month. The lease or occupancy agreement must also be automatically renewable upon expiration, except on reasonable prior notice by either the tenant or the landlord. The requirements governing termination of housing are located in 24 CFR 574.310(e). Failure to maintain this project documentation of the client's lease or occupancy agreement would constitute a grant default.

2. Performance Benchmark Requirements. All grantees receiving funds under this program NOFA are expected to meet the following benchmark requirements and operate activities in a consistent and on going manner over the expected three-year operating period. If a selected project does not meet the appropriate performance benchmark, HUD reserves the right to cancel or withdraw the grant funds.

a. Execution of Grant Agreement. Selected applicants must execute grant agreements, as soon as practicable but no later than six months after the notice of selection. HOPWA grants are obligated upon grant execution and the FY2004 Appropriations Act requires HUD to obligate funds by no later than September 30, 2005.

b. Disbursement of Funds. Grantees receiving awards under this program NOFA should fully expend their grant in a consistent and on going manner and complete the use of the funds by no later than three years following the effective date or the operation start date in the grant agreement. As a vehicle constraint on funding, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 requires expenditure of all HOPWA funds awarded under the FY2004 Appropriations Act by September 30, 2010. After September 30, 2010, any unexpended funds (whether obligated or unobligated) shall be canceled and, thereafter, shall not be available for obligation or expenditure for any purpose.

3. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. See Section III.C. of the General Section of the SuperNOFA for the information on how to meet this requirement.

4. Local Resident Employment (Section 3 Requirements). For grants in excess of \$200,000, to the extent that grant funds are used for housing rehabilitation (including reduction and abatement of lead-based paint hazards, but excluding routine maintenance, repair, and replacement) or housing construction, the activity is subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 135. Section 3 requires recipients to ensure that training, employment, and economic opportunities shall, to the greatest extent feasible, will be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to businesses that provide economic opportunities for these persons (also see Section III.C.4.c. of the General Section of the SuperNOFA).

5. Executive Order 13202, Preservation of Open Competition and Government Neutrality Toward Government Contractor's Labor Relations on Federal and Federally Funded Contract Project. See Section III.C. of the General Section of the SuperNOFA for the information on how to meet this requirement.

6. *Procurement of Recovered Materials.* See Section III.C. of the General Section of the SuperNOFA for the information on how to meet this requirement.

C. Reporting

1. Measuring Performance. You must report after each year of operation on the annual accomplishments of your projects under the HOPWA Annual Progress Report (form HUD-40110-B), including the required performance measures described in Section III. (C)2, including reporting on client outcomes in achieving housing stability, reduced risks of homelessness, and improved access to health-care and other needed support. See the Outputs and Outcomes Worksheet in attachment A to be used for informational purposes in developing your evaluation plans. HUD will use these reports and information obtained from HUD financial systems, along with any remote or on-site monitoring, to measure your progress

and achievements in evaluating your performance on your HOPWA grant.

2. Beneficiary Information. HUD requires that funded recipients collect racial and ethnic beneficiary data. It has adopted the Office of Management and Budget's Standards for the collection of Racial and Ethnic Data. In view of these requirements, you should use one of the following:

• HUD–27061, Racial and Ethnic Data Reporting Form (instructions for its use) found on *http://www.HUDclips.org;*

• A comparable program form (HOPWA—Annual Performance Report (APR) form); or

• A comparable electronic data system for this purpose.

VII. Agency Contacts

A. For Further Information and Technical Assistance (TA)

You may call the HUD field office serving your area (find the telephone number on HUD's Web site: *www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/local/ index.cfm*) or you may contact the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, HUD at (202) 708–1934. HUD staff may assist with program questions, but may not assist in preparing your application. Persons with hearing or speech challenges may access the above number via TTY (text telephone) by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

B. Seeking Technical Assistance (TA) in Developing a HOPWA Application

HOPWA TA providers may not provide technical assistance in the drafting of responses to HUD's NOFA due to the unfair advantage such assistance gives to one organization over another. If HUD determines that HOPWA technical assistance has been used to draft a HOPWA application, HUD reserves that right to reject the application for funding. If, after your application has been selected for an award, HUD determines that HOPWA technical assistance was used to draft your application, the award will be withdrawn and you may be liable to return to HUD any funds already spent.

C. Satellite Broadcast

HUD will hold information broadcasts via satellite for potential applicants to learn more about the program and preparation of the application. For more information about the date and time of the broadcast, you should consult the HUD Web site at *http://www.hud.gov/ grants.*

VIII. Other Information

Paperwork Reduction Act. The information collection requirements

contained in this document have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501– 3520) and assigned OMB control number 2506–0133. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, 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. Public reporting burden for the collection of information is estimated to average 413 hours per annum per respondent for the application and grant administration. This includes the time collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data for the application, semi-annual reports and final report. The information will be used for grantee selection and monitoring the administration of funds. Response to this request for information is required in order to receive the benefits to be derived.

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Planning and Development Office of HIV/AIDS Housing

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The information collection requirements contained in this notice of funding availability will be used to rate applications, determine eligibility, and establish grant amounts.

Selection of applications for funding under the **HOPWA Program** is based on the rating factors for this program listed in the SuperNOFA for Housing and Community Development Programs.

Public reporting burden for the collection of information for the **HOPWA Program** is estimated to average 38 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001,1010,1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729,3802)

HOPWA RENEWAL OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING GRANTS

OMB Approval No. 2506-0133 (exp. 04/30/2004)

Appendix A

HOPWA Renewal Application Checklist

<u>Checklist of Exhibits (for forms, see general section * or (A) as attached to</u> <u>this appendix</u>)

Please insert page numbers

Transmittal Letter (that identifies the HOPWA renewal amount requested)optional
Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)*
Executive Summary and Synopsis
HOPWA Renewal Project Information (and updated nonprofit status, if applicable)-(A)
Organizational Capacity Narrative (if applicable due to new or changed sponsor)
Provision of Permanent Supportive Housing Narrative
Certification of Permanent Supportive Housing (A) and Evidence of Permanent Housing (lease or occupancy agreement)
Permanent Supportive Housing Worksheet with Documentation of Other Resources (A)
Need for Renewal Narrative
HOPWA Need for Renewal Chart (A)
Achieving Results and Project Evaluation Narrative (include required output and outcome measures)
HOPWA Renewal Budgets Total Grant and for each Project Sponsor (A)
Statutory Certifications * (Consistency with the Consolidated Plan HUD-2991; Applicant Assurances and Certifications HUD-424B; RC/EC/EZ Strategic Plan HUD-2990-if applicable; Disclosure Report HUD-2880; and Lobbying Activities Disclosure SF-LLL)
HOPWA Applicant Certifications Fair Housing, Facility Use Periods and Environmental requirements (A)

HOPWA Renewal Project Information Form

A. Grant Number

Please provide the grant number of the HOPWA grant for which you are seeking renewal.

Grant Number	Year Funded:	

B. Service Area. Please identify the grant service area, i.e., the name of the community or metropolitan area, or, if activities are being undertaken in a state-wide or regional basis:

C. Project Sponsors and Sites. On a separate page, if needed, identify all the project sponsors that are involved in your renewal project, the sponsor's mailing address, telephone, email address, fax number, and the name of a contact person.

Are new project sponsor(s) being added to the renewal project? Yes // No // Please note you must provide an Organizational Capacity Narrative if a new project sponsor is added or a change is being proposed to your renewal project. If yes, attach updated or applicable nonprofit status information.

Sites. For projects involving sites, for example, a structure where HOPWA funds will be used for operating costs, and/or project-based rental assistance, please attach or provide the address of the project site.

Confidentiality. Please indicate if the site location is confidential or a public site by checking the appropriate box below.

Confidential Site. (Do not release the street location of this project.) ____ Public Site.

(The address may be released to inform clients and the public.)

Photo. Please attach a photograph of the structure.

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D. Summary of Proposed Accomplishments--Outputs.

Summary of Housing Assistance: Please provide best estimates in the following table based on your continuing activities. Enter number of units of housing served if renewal project is funded and is fully implement and operational—these are the annual housing assistance output goals.

			Accomp	lishment	by Year
1.	Facility-based Housing: Enter total units to be provided.		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Short-term facility				
	Single room occupancy dwelling	Permanent Non-Permanent			
	Community residence	Permanent Non-Permanent			
	Other housing facility (specify)	Permanent Non-Permanent			
2.	Scattered-site Payments		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Tenant-based rental assistance				
	Short-term rent, mortgage, and	utility payments			
	Total Units		-		
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Example: If your four-unit community residence will be funded and operational in each of the next three years, enter 4 in each of the 3 boxes after community residences.

	,	Accomplishment by Ye		by Year
		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1.	Number of persons with HIV/AIDS who will receive some form of housing assistance			
2.	Number of family members of the above who will be residing with the person receiving housing assistance			
3.	Number of persons reported above in row 1 and 2 who are likely to be chronically homeless (based on your plans for outreach and support for this special needs populations)			
4.	Number of persons with HIV/AIDS and family members who will only be receiving some form of supportive services (persons receiving both services and housing are reported in items 1 and 2 above).			
5.	Number of persons who will be receiving housing information services.			

Summary of Persons Assisted. Please provide best estimates in the following table:

Example: If some clients transition out of your 4 unit community residence each year and new clients enter the project, enter your best estimate of all the persons projected to be served for each year.

NOTE on item 3: Chronic homeless is an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more OR has had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years. To be considered chronically homeless a person must have been on the streets or in an emergency shelter (i.e. not transitional housing) during these stays. If some persons may meet this definition, but no specialized outreach and service plan is directed at this population, enter zero (0).

E. Additional Information

The Department of Housing and Urban Development needs the following information to respond to public inquiries about program benefit. Your responses will not affect in any way the scoring of your submission.

1. Which of the following subpopulations will your project likely serve based on program service delivery design and outreach plans? (Check all that apply) /eterans

Severely Mentally Ill	Chronic Substance A	Abuse	١
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- Multiply-Diagnosed Victims of Domestic Violence
- 2. Will the proposed project be located or primarily serve persons in a rural area? (A project is considered to be in a rural area when the project either (1) is in an area outside of Metropolitan Areas, or (2) is outside of the urbanized areas within a Metropolitan Area.) Yes No

F. Outputs and Outcomes Worksheet – informational purposes only in this application.

This worksheet is designed to help grantees and project sponsors consider how to plan to aggregate results for housing stability

The HOPWA program is intended to achieve the overall outcome that persons assisted have been enabled to establish and/or better maintain a stable living environment in housing that is safe, decent and sanitary and to reduce the risks of homelessness and improve access to health-care and other supportive services. In addition, output is measured each year on the number of units of housing/households supported with HOPWA funds.

At the end of each year of assistance, HOPWA recipients should consider the effects of their efforts and compare results to the planned outputs and the prior year's outcome baseline as part of an assessment of program success. These assessments will help inform the community as well as HUD in assessing past performance and helping to direct future efforts. For example, if an assessment shows that some activities are not helping beneficiaries achieve the desired outcome, recipients should consider what alternatives or enhancements to program efforts might better meet this goal.

OUTCOME ASSESSED: The HOPWA assisted households were able to establish and/or better maintain stable housing, to reduce their risks of homelessness and improve their access to health-care and other needed support.

OUTCOME INDICATOR is the total as follows (see codes below) as measured in client outcomes at the end of each project operating year:

a. for STRMU assistance: **Stable Housing** is the sum of the number of clients who left the assistance with a reasonable expectation that they will survive on their own after HOPWA assistance (as this is a time-limited form of housing support) as shown as items: 3, 4, 5, and 6 along with any under item 9. **Unstable Situations** is the sum of those remaining in STRMU program at year end (who have not yet reached their 21-week limit) plus the numbers reported under items 1, 2, 7 and 8.

b. for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance: **Stable Housing** is the sum of the number of clients who (i) remain in the housing and (ii) those who left the assistance as shown as items: 3, 4, 5 and 6 along with any under item 9. **Unstable Situations** is the sum of numbers reported under items 1, 2, 7 and 8.

c. for facility-based forms of housing assistance: **Stable Housing** is the sum of the number of clients who (i) remain in the housing and (ii) those who left the assistance as shown as items: 1, 2, 3 and 6 along with any under item 9. **Unstable Situations** is the sum of numbers reported under items 4, 5, 7 and 8.

Type of Housing Assistance	1 Number in stable housing	2 Number in unstable situations	3 Percent Stable/total
Short-Term Rent,			
Mortgage, and Utility			
Assistance			
Tenant-Based Rental			
Assistance			
Facility-Based Housing			
Assistance			
Total HOPWA Housing			
Assistance			

Housing Stability Outcomes Assessment Worksheet

* Codes Short-term Housing

1 = Emergency shelter or no housing destination

2 = Temporary housing - moved in with family/friends or other short-term arrangement, such as Ryan White subsidy

Stable Housing/Ongoing Participation 3 = Housing in the private rental or home ownership market

4 = Other HOPWA-funded housing assistance

5 = Other subsidized house or apartment (non-HOPWA, e.g. Section 8)

6 = Institutional setting with greater support (e.g., hospital, in-house dependency treatment, long-term care facility, etc.)

Life Events 7 = Jail /prison

8 = Disconnected/disappeared/ from project support or unknown destination

9 = Death, i.e. remained in housing until death

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HOPWA Permanent Supportive Housing Certification

The Applicant, in order to induce HUD to renew the Applicant's Grant with HUD for HOPWA Project Number ______, pursuant to HUD's authority under the FY 2004 Appropriations Act, hereby assures and certifies HUD that no less than 51 percent of the HOPWA funds awarded to the Project were and continue to be used to provide permanent supportive housing to low income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Permanent housing is defined as housing in which the resident has a lease for a term of at least one year, which is renewable by the tenant and which may be terminated by the landlord for cause. Permanent supportive housing is permanent housing, which provides the tenant with on-going supportive services through qualified providers.

Warning: If you knowingly make a false statement on this form, you may be subject to civil or criminal penalties under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

HOPWA Applicant Certifications

Name of Applicant

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official & Date

Typed Name of Signatory

Title of Signatory

Date

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HOPWA Need for Renewal Chart

Please complete the following chart and submit it with your Need for Renewal Narrative. HUD will review this chart and determine your eligibility for renewal funding based on grant agreement dates and the financial records for reimbursement of expenditures that are filed under HUD's financial system (PAS).

To be eligible, the HOPWA grant must be an expiring grant, defined by the end date in the grant agreement signed with HUD on the existing project (i.e. the term of the grant agreement will have expired in FY2004 or expires within 18 months of the date of publication of this notice). The applicant must demonstrate to HUD that all funds awarded in the grant it seeks to renew will be expended within the period established in the approved grant agreement (including amendments or extensions approved by HUD).

Line 1	Indicated the amount of the prior HOPWA award and grant agreement start and end dates. The grant agreement date of signing or start date, if later, was: and, based on the three year use period, this agreement ends: , or was extended for a fourth year until:	\$
Line 2	Indicate the amount expended as of 3-30-04.	\$
Line 3	Balance Subtotal: subtract Line 2 from Line 1. (See Item 1 below.)	\$
Line 4	Indicate the amount to be expended in the balance of FY2004. (By September 30, 2004)	\$
Line 5	Indicate the amount to be expended in FY2005. (By September 30, 2005)	\$
Line 6	Subtotal: Subtract Lines 4 and 5 from Line 3. (See Item 2 below)	\$

1. Please insert grant agreement dates (dd/mm/yy) and attach the extension agreement with HUD if the grant agreement was extended for a fourth year.

2. If the grant agreement dates extended the use period beyond FY2005, and a balance of grant funds is expected to remain, please consider seeking funding in a future year. If balances are expected to remain in FY2005, but the three year use period is going to end in FY 2004, please review the need to make a timely one-year extension request with the area CPD Field Office.

3. HUD may deobligate any amount of HOPWA grant funds that have been renewed under this notice and have not been expended within three (3) years from the date of obligation or program start date, if established as a later date in the new grant agreement.

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Permanent Supportive Housing Worksheets Renewal Applications

Applicants seeking renewal under the HOPWA NOFA must demonstrate that the HOPWA project supported by the prior HOPWA grant and continued through this renewal provides permanent supportive housing to eligible clients. Permanent supportive housing is defined in the HOPWA program NOFA. To meet this definition, you must document that at least 51 percent of the HOPWA program activity funds awarded to the grant you are seeking to renew provided direct permanent supportive housing assistance or provided supportive services to clients living in permanent housing you provided with resources other than HOPWA funds. Complete the following worksheet to determine if your project at least meets this 51 percent threshold.

INSTRUCTIONS

Part 1: Calculation of Funding

1. HOPWA Project Funding – Funding amount of the original or amended HOPWA grant, which you seek to renew.

<u>Column A - Original or Amended HOPWA Grant</u>. In Column A, for HOPWA funds only, enter the total program activity costs requested and approved in the prior HOPWA grant. Please note, these costs do not include administrative or project outcome costs. Total Column A.

2. Permanent Supportive Housing Funding – Percentage of funding dedicated to permanent supportive housing, as defined in the HOPWA NOFA.

<u>Column B - HOPWA</u>. In Column B, enter the amount of HOPWA funds from the prior HOPWA grant expended or pending use as approved in the grant that directly provide permanent supportive housing. HOPWA funds used for services or housing of clients in emergency, shortterm, or transitional situations, may not be included (expect in relation to short-term rent, mortgage, or utility payments). For example, if part of the supportive services provided actually provides services in a short-term, transitional housing situation or to clients not receiving housing assistance, then only the amount of funds directly providing the permanent supportive housing may be used in the calculation.

Please note, HUD has determined that only the following activity categories allow expenditures that meet the definition of permanent supportive housing under your prior grant. You may only account for the percentage of funds that were expended or will be expended on permanent housing activities through:

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Acquisition and new construction	Lease and Operating Costs		
Rehabilitation, repair, and conversion	Supportive Services (for residents of permanent		
Rental Assistance	housing only)		
Short-term rent, mortgage, or utility payments	s Other HUD approved permanent housing		
	activities		

Other HOPWA funded activities, like housing information or resource identification, do not meet the definition of permanent supportive housing. Total Column B.

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<u>Column C – Other Funding</u>. If applicable, enter the amount of other funds that provide permanent supportive housing. Other funding resources must be documented in the prior HOPWA grant and documentation that such assistance will continue during the term of the renewal grant must be provided to HUD. Total Column C.

Eligible Activity	HOPWA Project Funding	Permanent Supportive Housing*		
	A. Original or Amended	B. HOPWA	C. Other	
1. Acquisition	\$	\$	\$	
2. Rehabilitation, Repair, & Conversion	\$	\$	\$	
3. New Construction	\$	\$	\$	
4. Lease	\$	\$	\$	
5. Operating Costs	\$	\$	\$	
6. Supportive Services	\$	\$	\$	
7. Housing Information	\$			
8. Technical Assist. & Resource Identification	\$			
9. Rental Assistance	\$	\$	\$	
10. Short-term rent, mortgage, & Utility Payments	\$	\$	\$	
11. Other (name the type of alternative activity – must be approved in the prior HOPWA grant)	\$			
12. Total	\$	\$	\$	

* Enter only the amounts of HOPWA or other resources that directly provide permanent supportive housing. You may not consider funds providing other types of housing assistance.

Part 2: Calculation

To determine if your project uses at least 51 percent of funding to provide permanent supportive housing, please make the following calculation:

a. Amount of HOPWA funds providing permanent supportive housing (Total of Column B)	
b. Total amount of project activities (Total of Column A)	
c. Divide Row (a) by Row (b) and multiply by 100.	X100
d. Percentage of project funds providing permanent supportive housing.	*

*Please note:

- 1) If the percentage is less than 51 percent, you are not eligible to apply for renewal under "Renewal of Permanent Support Housing Grants".
- 2) If the percentage is 51 percent or over, you are eligible to apply for renewal under "Renewal of Permanent Support Housing Grants" and must complete the "Certification of Permanent Supportive Housing".

Part 3: Documentation of Other Resources

If your project relies on other state, local, Federal, or private resources to provide the permanent housing or supportive services portion of your project, you must demonstrate that the other resources will continue to be available for that purpose throughout the term of the renewal grant. The continuing assistance must have been documented within the original application to HUD and be used in conjunction with requested HOPWA funds. Evidence of continuing assistance must be provided, see Application Contents paragraph (f) on Documentation of Other Resources.

<u>Permanent Housing</u>. Permanent housing provided through other resources must be documented in the renewal application through a leveraging letter. The letter must outline the amount of funds for the housing to be provided, the term the funds will be made available, and be signed by the organization providing such housing or funding for the housing.

<u>Supportive Services</u>. Supportive services provided through other resources must be documented through a commitment letter, which outlines the type of support that will be provided to eligible persons, the organizations providing such support, and the length of time such supportive services will be available and be signed by the organization providing such funding for services for residents of your housing project. Supportive services must be provided throughout the term of the renewal grant and the amount must at least match any amount requested for HOPWA funding for supportive services.

Chart on Other Resources. The list or chart of leveraging commitments should be attached to your application and must include: (1) the name of the organization or entity that will contribute match or leveraged funds and if the organization will serve as a project sponsor; (2) describe the work to be accomplished, such as the type of activities undertaken to support the project; (3) the

value of cash match contribution related to the HOPWA supportive service funding requested; (4) additional leveraged funds being contributed for permanent housing or other activities, if any; (5) the total amount of items 3 and 4; and (6) a letter from the organization or entity confirming this commitment of resources.

	A.	B.	С.	D.
1. Name of Organization				
2. Work to be accomplished				
3. Value of cash contributions for Supportive Services	\$	\$	\$	\$
4. Value of contributions for permanent housing	\$	\$	\$	\$
5. Total for leveraging	\$	\$	\$	\$
6. Commitment letter attached				

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1. Name of Organization				
2. Work to be accomplished				
3. Value of cash contributions for Supportive Services	\$	\$	\$	\$
4. Value of contributions for permanent housing	\$	\$	\$	\$
5. Total for leveraging	\$	\$	\$	\$
6. Commitment letter attached				

HOPWA Renewal Budget Form

A. Renewal Project Summary Total Budget. In column A, enter the amount of HOPWA funding that was awarded under the prior HOPWA award (including any changes approved by HUD). In column B, enter the total amount of new HOPWA funds being requested. In column C, enter any other funds (i.e. private, local, or state resources) that will be used in conjunction with the requested HOPWA renewal funds to undertake the project. Enter the sum total of requested *HOPWA funds* and *Other funds* (sum of columns B and C) in column D. Enter the totals of each column in line 13 of the budget form.

Eligible Activity HOPWA Project Funding				
	A. Original/Amt.	B. Renewal Amt.*	C. Other	D. Total
1. Lease	\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Operating Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$
3. Supportive Services	S	\$ (not greater than 35% of line 9	\$	\$
4. Housing Information	\$	\$	\$	\$
5. Technical Assistance & Resource Identification	S	\$ (not greater than 5% of line 9)	\$	\$
6. Rental Assistance	\$	\$	\$	\$
7. Short-term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Payments to Prevent Homelessness	\$	\$	\$	\$
8. Other (please indicate the activity)	\$	\$	\$	\$
9. Subtotal of Activity Costs	\$	\$ (not to exceed \$1,300,000)	\$	\$
10. Grantee's Administrative Costs (not to exceed 3% of Subtotal)	\$	\$	\$	\$
11. Project Sponsor's Administrative Costs (not to exceed 7% of amounts received by sponsors)	\$	\$	\$	\$
12. Collect data on Project Outcomes	\$	\$ (not to exceed \$25,000)	\$	\$
13. Total HOPWA Request	\$ (see line 14 total)	\$	\$	\$
14. FYI Amounts for capital development activities in the original or amended HOPWA grant and related new leveraging	S	N/A	\$	\$

*Notes: Column B above should reflect the total of funding requested for all years as outlined below in Table B and should not be greater than 120% of amounts shown in Column A, except in special circumstances allowed under the NOFA. In item 14 provide the total of HOPWA funds awarded for acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation under the existing grant and amounts of this nature being leveraged from other sources for the renewal project, if any.

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B. Annual Budget Summary. In columns A through C enter the requested amount of HOPWA funds by year. The term of the grant is expected to be 3 years. You may request up to 20 percent more than the original award for renewal by activity, but the total requested funds must not exceed \$1,300,000. For additional details on eligible activities and limitations, consult the program NOFA and regulations at 24 CFR 574.300-340. One-time capital development costs are not eligible for renewal. In column D, enter the total amount of requested HOPWA funds for each year by summing columns A through C. The totals in Column D should equal the totals in Column B in Section A-"Renewal Project Summary Budget" and should represent your total request for HOPWA funds. Enter the totals of each column in line 13 of the budget form.

Eligible Activity	HOPWA Project Funding			
	A. Year 1	B. Year 2	C. Year 3	D. Total *
1. Lease	\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Operating Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$
3. Supportive Services	\$	\$	\$	\$ (not greater than 35% of line 9
4. Housing Information	\$	\$	\$	\$
5. Technical Assistance & Resource Identification	\$	\$	\$	\$ (not greater than 5% of line 9)
6. Rental Assistance	\$	\$	\$	\$
7. Short-term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Payments to Prevent Homelessness	\$	\$	\$	\$
8. Other (please indicate the activity)	\$	\$	\$	\$
9. Subtotal of Activity Costs	\$	\$	\$	\$ (not to exceed \$1,300,000)
10. Grantee's Administrative Costs (not to exceed 3% of Subtotal)	\$	\$	\$	\$
11. Project Sponsor's Administrative Costs (not to exceed 7% of amounts received by sponsors)	\$	\$	\$	\$
12. Collect data on Project Outcomes	\$	\$	\$	\$ (not to exceed \$25,000)
13. Total	\$	\$	\$	\$

*Note: Totals in this column should equal the totals in Column B, Section A - "Renewal Project Summary Budget".

C. Renewal Project Descriptive Budget Instructions:

1. For the grantee and each project sponsor receiving HOPWA renewal funds under this application, please complete the Renewal Project Descriptive Budget Form. The first form should be completed for the grantee, followed by one form for each project sponsor. In the form number boxes enter the number of the form followed by the total numbers of forms submitted.

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For example, if you are the grantee and have two project sponsors, you will complete three forms. The first form should be for the grantee and will be numbered as (1 of 3). You will then complete two additional forms for each project sponsor. The first project sponsor form will be numbered as (2 of 3), and the second (3 of 3).

- 2. Enter the name of the organization (grantee or project sponsor).
- 3. As applicable, mark if you are completing this form for the grantee or project sponsor.
- 4. For each HOPWA Eligible Activity that you are requesting HOPWA funding, give a brief description of the activity. This description should be a 1-2 line summary of the activity.

EXAMPLE 1:

HOPWA Eligible Activity and Description	HOPWA Request
Rental Assistance	\$100,000
Description: Provide long-term, tenant-based rental assistance through individuals and 10 families per year over a three-year gran	

EXAMPLE 2:

Eligible Activity and Description	HOPWA Request
Supportive Services	\$120,000
Description: One employee (0.5FTE) will provide case management, nutrit health counseling to 45 individuals in the "AIDS Housing" fa years of the grant term.	

5. For each HOPWA Eligible Activity (lines 1-10), enter the amount of requested HOPWA renewal funds. NOTE: A sum of each HOPWA request completed on the Project Descriptive Budget for the grantee and each project sponsor should equal the totals entered in Section A-Column B of the Renewal Project Summary Budget.

A. HOPWA Renewal Project Budget Form	of
B. Name of Grantee/Project Sponsor:	I
C. Mark one of the following: Grantee Project Sponsor I Is the organization a religious organization, or a religiously affiliated or motivated org Yes No	sanization?
D. Eligible Activity and Description	E. HOPWA Renewal Request
1. Lease	S
Description:	1 0
2. Operating Costs	\$
Description:	
3. Supportive Services	\$
Description:	
4. Housing Information	\$
Description:	-
5. Technical Assistance and Resource Identification	\$
Description:	T
6. Rental Assistance	\$
Description:	.
7. Short-term Rent, Mortgage & Utility Payment to Prevent Homelessness	\$
Description:	
8. Other (please indicate the activity)	\$
Description:	
9. Administrative Costs (Grantee or Project Sponsor)	\$
Description:	
10. Collect data on Project Outcomes (not to exceed \$25,000)	\$
Description:	

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HOPWA Applicant Certifications

These certified statements are required by law.

The Applicant hereby assures and certifies that:

1. Fair Housing. Within the HOPWA eligible population, it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000(d)) and regulations pursuant thereto (Title 24 CFR Part I), which state that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant receives Federal financial assistance, and will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement. With reference to the real property and structure(s) thereon which are provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the applicant, this assurance shall obligate the applicant, or in the case of any transfer, the transferee, for the period during which the real property and structure(s) are used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits.

It will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), as amended, and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, and administer its programs and activities relating to housing in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing. For Indian tribes, it will comply with the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301 *et seq.*), instead of Title VI and the Fair Housing Act and their implementing regulations.

It will comply with Executive Order 11063 on Equal Opportunity in Housing and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 107 which prohibit discrimination because of race, color, creed, sex or national origin in housing and related facilities provided with Federal financial assistance.

It will comply with Executive Order 11246 and all

regulations pursuant thereto (41 CFR Chapter 60-1), which state that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in all phases of employment during the performance of Federal contracts and shall take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunity. The applicant will incorporate, or cause to be incorporated, into any contract for construction work as defined in Section 130.5 of HUD regulations the equal opportunity clause required by Section 130.15(b) of the HUD regulations.

It will comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701(u)), and regulations pursuant thereto (24 CFR Part 135), which require that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower-income residents of the project and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded in substantial part to per-sons residing in the area of the project.

It will comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 8, which prohibit discrimination based on handicap in Federally-assisted programs and activities.

It will comply with the accessibility requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and where applicable, the design and construction requirements of the Fair Housing Act.

It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 146, which prohibit discrimination because of age in projects and activities receiving Federal financial assistance.

It will comply with Executive Orders 11625, 12432, and 12138, which state that program participants shall take affirmative action to encourage participation by businesses owned and operated by members of minority groups and women.

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If persons of any particular race, color religion, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or handicap who may qualify for assistance are unlikely to be reached, it will establish additional procedures to ensure that interested per-sons can obtain information concerning the assistance.

2. Environmental Requirements. The grantee, its project sponsors and their contractors may <u>not</u> acquire, rehabilitate, convert, lease, repair, dispose of, demolish, or construct property for a project, or commit or expend HUD or local funds for such eligible activities, until the responsible entity (as defined in §58.2) has completed the environmental review procedures required by 24 CFR part 58 and the environmental certification and HUD approval of form HUD-7015.15, "Request for Release of Funds and Certification" (RROF) of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 58 (Environmental Review Procedures for Entities

Assuming HUD Environmental Responsibilities). HUD will not release grant funds if the recipient or any other party commits grant funds (i.e., incurs any costs or expenditures to be paid or reimbursed with such funds) before the recipient submits and HUD approves its RROF (where such submission is required).

3. HOPWA Facility Use Period. Any building or structure assisted with amounts under this part will be maintained as a facility to provide assistance for eligible persons: (i) for not less than 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation or acquisition of a building or structure; and (ii) for not less than three years in cases involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.

HOPWA Applicant Certifications

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official & Date

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