

FY 2012 FHIP AWARD BLURBS

ALABAMA

Mobile

Mobile Fair Housing Center, Inc Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$319,795.00

The Mobile Fair Housing Center will use its grant to conduct fair housing investigative and enforcement work. Investigative activities will include: recruitment and training of testers and refresher training for current testers; rental, national origin, sales, pre-qualifying mortgage lending, design, and construction accessibility, and reasonable accommodation testing and site assessments; and complaint intake, processing, referral, and counseling. Enforcement activities will include: accessibility workshops, for English-speaking and limited English proficiency (LEP) participants; outreach for accessibility design and construction and mortgage and predatory lending; compliance audits for housing for the disabled; referral of enforcement proposals and assistance to clients seeking reasonable accommodations/modifications; accessibility design and construction, mortgage and predatory lending education; a regional fair housing summit; fair housing enforcement education; and counseling activities for underserved victims of rental discrimination.

Mobile Fair Housing Center, Inc Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending Component - \$125,000.00

The Mobile Fair Housing Center, Inc. will use its grant to conduct: a regional housing summit; workshops and outreach on predatory lending; a community town hall meetings on fair housing and predatory lending; a workshop for housing professionals, a workshop for National Fair Housing Month, and a workshop on inclusiveness; and an affirmatively furthering fair housing training for state and local governments. The organization will also translate fair housing and lending material, prepare a fair housing newsletter and new materials on predatory lending, loan modification; mortgage rescue scams, and national origin discrimination for education and outreach activities; fair housing PSAs about predatory lending; and conduct a review and critique the 2012 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for Mobile with findings to the City and HUD.

Montgomery

Central Alabama Fair Housing Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$324,000.00

The Central Alabama Fair Housing Center (CAFHC) will use its grant to continue full service fair housing activities in Montgomery, Selma, and 29 counties in Central Alabama. Activities will include: challenging racial steering and other discriminatory housing practices in Montgomery and adjacent counties; combating discrimination in the west Alabama “Black Belt;” expanding outreach and enforcement actions to combat escalating discrimination against Latino residents after passage of HB 56; continuing investigating and combating race discrimination in small Central Alabama entitlement communities; and breaking down barriers for people with disabilities.

ARIZONA

Phoenix

Arizona Fair Housing Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$317,651.00

The Arizona Fair Housing Center will use its grant to provide fair housing enforcement activities throughout Arizona, including fair housing testing, recruiting and training testers; the intake and processing of fair housing complaints, and referral of fair housing complaints to HUD, the local FHAP agency, or private attorneys; and housing counseling, mediation and referral services. The Center will use grant funds for media efforts and community educational campaigns targeting low to moderate income and underserved populations including non-English speaking individuals, minorities, immigrants, persons with disabilities, and the elderly.

Tucson

Southwest Fair Housing Council Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$312,695.00

The Southwest Fair Housing Council (SWFHC) will use its grant to continue its “Don’t Borrow Trouble Program”. This project will conduct the following activities: intake and investigate allegations of lending discrimination and complaint support for enforcement of fair lending laws related to the prevention of mortgage default in foreclosure, mortgage modification and mortgage refinance; investigate possible violations and enforcement pursuant to other equal opportunity or fair lending statutes that accompany a suspected fair housing violation, including mortgage scam testing; help clients with loan workouts, refinancing, or modifications necessary as the result of violations; provide education and outreach to persons who may have encountered or are at risk of encountering lending discrimination or schemes related to the prevention of mortgage or foreclosure default.

Southwest Fair Housing Council Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$311,245.00

The Southwest Fair Housing Council will use its grant to provide statewide full service fair housing enforcement. Activities will include testing, investigation, and resolution of fair housing complaints with an emphasis on fair housing enforcement in refugee communities through a partnership with the International Refugee Committee in Tucson. The organization will also provide fair housing services for active military personnel and veterans through a collaboration with Davis Monthan Air Force Base that includes counseling to combat mortgage modification and foreclosure scams experienced by active service personnel and veterans. Further, the organization also will provide statewide fair housing education training to housing consumers, housing providers, government entities, nonprofits and others throughout the State.

**Southwest Fair Housing Council
Education and Outreach Initiative– Lending
Component - \$122,989.00**

The Southwest Fair Housing Council (SWFHC) will use its grant to expand its fair lending activities in Metropolitan Phoenix. This project will include: fair housing and lending workshops, community meetings incorporating fair lending issues, individual counseling for homeowners at risk for discrimination as members of protected classes, and the provision of education for consumers about their fair housing and fair lending rights. SWFHC will work with public and private agencies and organizations throughout Metropolitan Phoenix and in coordination with communities conducting affirmatively furthering fair housing activities consistent with their Analyses of Impediments to Fair Housing. When appropriate, referrals for possible fair lending and fair housing complaints will be made to HUD, the State Attorney General's Office of and the City of Phoenix Equal Opportunity Department.

CALIFORNIA

Bakersfield

**Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$312,846.00**

Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance, Inc. (GBLA) will use its grant to continue providing fair housing investigation and enforcement activities throughout Kern County, California and to expand its current services by initiating a systemic testing program through its Fair Housing Law Project (FHLP). In addition, the FHLP will engage in extensive outreach, education, and training targeting protected populations, groups serving protected populations, households, landlords, State and local governments, and other partners. The long term outcome will include increasing community awareness of fair housing law, providing a well-publicized easily-accessed intake and complaint system, reducing the incidences of housing discrimination, and identifying and reducing and/or eliminating systemic barriers to affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH) in Kern County.

Fresno

Fair Housing Council of Central California Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$259,034.00

The Fair Housing Council of Central California will use its grant to: increase the number of enforcement actions and referrals made by complainants; discover and remedy discrimination in public and private real estate markets; detect and remedy subtle and sophisticated forms of housing discrimination; reduce the incidence of steering and other practices perpetuating segregation; and increase the number of complaints filed by new immigrants, the undocumented, and persons with disabilities.

Los Angeles

Southern California Housing Rights Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$324,980.00

The Southern California Housing Rights Center (HRC) will use its grant to conduct systemic testing and other investigative methods in areas within Los Angeles County where complaint statistics and FHIP Systemic Testing statistics point to persistent housing discrimination based on race, familial status and disability. HRC will provide intake of allegations of housing discrimination from bona fide complainants in areas of Los Angeles County not currently served by a QFHO organization, and provide other investigative work to provide a just resolution for fair housing discrimination, including mediation and litigating fair housing cases.

Napa

Greater Napa Fair Housing Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$309,000.00

The Greater Napa Fair Housing Center (GNFHC), d/b/a Fair Housing Napa Valley (FHNV) will use its grant to provide fair housing education enforcement services by implementing a broad-based fair housing intake, counseling, investigation, testing, mediation, referral, and education program to address historically segregated housing patterns and barriers to fair housing in Napa County, California. FHNV will collaborate with 15 faith-based grassroots agencies to market its fair housing services in English and Spanish.

Oakland

Bay Area Legal Aid Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Funding Component - \$325,000.00

Bay Area Legal Aid (BayLegal) will use its grant to address the fair housing needs of low-income Bay Area residents in the protected classes with a focus on non-English speaking immigrants, the disabled and underserved populations in communities outside of the urban core in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Santa Clara and San Francisco counties. BayLegal will develop an outreach plan, conduct complaint and audit based testing; conduct community fair housing education presentations; provide fair housing enforcement trainings for staff of local Bay Area government and community-based organizations; conduct six regional trainings on fair housing law and litigation; conduct intake for complaints and investigate complaints of housing discrimination; conciliate complaints of housing discrimination; file affirmative complaints; and submit legal opinions regarding the performance of local entitlement jurisdictions in meeting their obligations to affirmatively further fair housing under applicable laws and regulations.

Housing and Economic Rights Advocates Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending Component –\$168,261.00

Housing and Economic Rights Advocates (HERA) will use its grant to implement its Fair Lending and Foreclosure Prevention Project in Solano County. HERA's activities will include: Fair Lending Legal Trainings for private/legal services attorneys; legal counseling to Solano County homeowners who are members of protected groups; in-depth legal assistance for homeowners victimized by fair lending abuses and mortgage rescue fraud; education and outreach to homeowners through targeted mailings and workshops; systemic investigation of scammers and pursuit of complaints or other enforcement actions, if necessary, against them. HERA has capacity to provide services in Tagalog, Visaya, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, and French.

Rancho Cucamonga

Inland Mediation Board Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Funding Component - \$325,000.00

Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) will use its grant to collaborate with the County of San Bernardino, its unincorporated cities and towns and 12 entitlement cities to affirmatively further fair housing by monitoring recommendations made in Analysis of Impediment documents required by HUD, including developing activities and timelines with authorities and developing action plans in collaboration with government partners to measure progress toward removing impediments and developing viable future objectives. In addition,

IFHMB will: conduct complaint-based testing and site tests, including all protected bases, with a focus on the disability community; develop and secure memorandums of understanding with disability community agency leaders to conduct fair housing clinics at their sites to educate, promote awareness, and address complaints about fair housing rights and IFHMB's services; and conduct accessibility site tests to determine whether design features outlined in the accessibility brochures previously distributed were followed.

**Inland Mediation Board
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending
Component - \$325,000.00**

Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) will use its grant to add one half-time attorney and two part-time investigators to conduct cases of mortgage, foreclosure rescue, and loan modification fraud investigations, with an emphasis on limited English proficiency (LEP) victims. The positions will augment IFHMB's new fair housing Legal Department. IFHMB will focus this work on systemic discriminatory practices and forward systemic cases to HUD for further investigation and enforcement. In addition, IFHMB will directly assist individual complaints of mortgage fraud, focusing on providing advocacy and assistance with remedy. The grant will also allow work toward more in-depth identification and investigation activities to expose predatory mortgage fraud predators, with a focus on those practices deemed pervasive or institutional.

**Inland Mediation Board
Education and Outreach Initiative – Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
Component - \$125,000.00**

Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) will use its grant to add an educator position to develop and administer a basic fair housing curriculum in English and Spanish for public service and housing industry federal funding recipients. IFHMB will work with the County of San Bernardino (incl. the Housing Authority), 19 cities, two Housing Authorities which receive CDBG and HOME funds, and the Upland Housing Authority to administer the fair housing curriculum. IFHMB will also work with Human Resource Departments of the organizations to distribute its 'Equal Access' CD, which provides information on fair housing Federal and State protected classes. IFHMB will report on the success of the training results extracted directly from client feedback.

Riverside

**Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$284,894.00**

The Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc. will use its grant to provide comprehensive educational and counseling services in six program areas: rental, sales, and lending testing; referral and enforcement; partnerships; education; outreach; and Fair Housing laws and rental housing counseling. Activities will include: tester training; referral of enforcement proposals to

HUD or DFEH; mediation or conciliation on housing discrimination issues; referral of housing discrimination complaints to private attorneys; creating partnerships with local agencies; training for disabled and limited English proficiency (LEP) individuals; outreach with local groups; meetings with developers; fair housing law and enforcement training/education; distribution of fair housing materials; Public Service Announcement distribution; fair housing assessments; fair housing and landlord tenant counseling; fair housing counseling; and rental complaints/intakes.

**Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc. (FHCRC) will use its grant to address lending issues identified in both the City and County of Riverside's Analysis of Impediments to fair housing. FHCRC will educate individuals in protected classes on fair housing and lending laws as well as mortgage modification scams. The organization will build on existing relationships through its landlord/tenant contacts, housing authority residents, community partnerships and local community colleges, and reach participants through local businesses, community/senior centers, churches, advocacy groups, schools and service organizations through their existing programs.

San Francisco

**California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$325,000.00**

California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. (CRLA) will use its grant to support its Lending Discrimination Project (Project) which will accomplish the following: perform outreach to underserved rural agricultural communities, migrant and seasonal farm workers, recent immigrants, indigenous groups, limited English proficiency (LEP), ethnic minorities, linguistically and culturally isolated populations, the disabled and homeless, and veterans; distribute educational material on predatory lending, mortgage rescue scams, homeowner rights and obligations, and post-foreclosure eviction rights. The organization will also assist clients with loan workouts, refinancing, and modifications; litigate for clients in foreclosure, victims of predatory lending, foreclosure rescue scams; comment on proposed policy addressing the needs of low-income rural communities and communities of color; provide support for administrative or judicial enforcement of equal opportunity or fair lending laws; and increase tests of systemic discrimination.

**California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. (CRLA), a private non-profit California corporation that provides legal services to farm workers, minority and low-income communities in rural California, will use its grant to target vulnerable and underserved rural regions and populations

and expand client services to combat systemic discrimination in rural California. Activities will include full service fair housing enforcement, including investigation of systemic cases; increased outreach and trainings; revision and implementation of internal CRLA fair housing complaint training, enforcement and tester training; facilitation of local and state government compliance with Consolidated Plans, Housing Elements, and Analyses of Impediments to Fair Housing; and promotion of capacity building and peer to peer sharing among staff, state-wide partners and other stakeholders.

San Rafael

Fair Housing of Marin Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$277,452.00

Fair Housing of Marin (FHOM) will use its grant to build on its expertise developed through past testing audits. Latinos, people of color, and expectant mothers (disability/familial status) will be served through a lending audit that will identify systemic discrimination. As part of this project, FHOM will recruit and train new fair lending testers. People of all protected classes will be served through newspaper ads, radio campaigns and interviews, and distribution of fair housing literature. FHOM will partner with lending discrimination experts Calvin Bradford, the National Fair Housing Alliance, and Housing & Economic Rights Advocates. FHOM will invite other fair housing agencies to attend lending tester training, publicize the results of the systemic audit testing, and present them to local fair housing organizations.

Fair Housing of Marin Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Funding Component - \$324,997.00

Fair Housing of Marin (FHOM) will use its grant to focus on the enforcement of the rights of all federally protected classes, with special focus on the rights of persons with disabilities, families with children, and Latinos. Disabled populations will be served through reasonable accommodation request letters in Marin, Solano, and Sonoma counties and reasonable accommodation conferences in Marin/Sonoma counties and Solano County. Latino populations will be served through Latino Voice ID audits in the three counties, complaint solicitation through bilingual newspaper advertisements, and the distribution of bilingual fair housing literature in the three counties. Families with children will be served through a familial status audit in Marin and Sonoma counties. People of all protected classes in Marin, Sonoma, and Solano counties will be served through newspaper ads, distribution of fair housing literature, presentations, intake, investigation, mediation, predatory lending and foreclosure prevention counseling and annual fair housing law and practice seminars.

Santa Ana

Orange County Fair Housing Council, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$198,833.00

Orange County Fair Housing Council, Inc. will use its grant to expand its existing broad-based, full-service, complaint-driven, private enforcement program to focus on Fair Housing Act violations having particular impact on minority, immigrant or disabled individuals seeking housing, while continuing our long-standing enforcement efforts. An emphasis in the activities will include identifying and taking action against steering or discouragement by real estate agents and brokers, leasing agents, and possibly home builders, resulting in denial of housing opportunities to persons in minority groups, immigrant communities or persons with disabilities. With regard to immigrants, particular attention will be given to those with limited English proficiency.

CONNECTICUT

Hartford

Connecticut Fair Housing Center, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

The Connecticut Fair Housing Center, will use its grant to provide the full range of core fair housing services including intake, investigation, testing, and litigation of fair housing cases and systemic testing and investigations. The organization will serve individuals of all protected classes with an emphasis on race or ethnicity in the rental, home sales and lending markets; individuals with disabilities seeking housing and requesting reasonable modifications and accommodations for people with disabilities; and the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered community to determine if there is evidence of sex discrimination in the housing market.

Connecticut Fair Housing Center, Inc. Education and Outreach Initiative – Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Component - \$125,000.00

The Connecticut Fair Housing Center will use its grant to provide training on how to affirmatively further fair housing. Activities will include: making data on the impediments to fair housing electronically accessible; developing an affirmatively furthering fair housing training curriculum for affordable housing federal grantees, planners and developers, and community members; printing copies of the curriculum for distribution both within Connecticut and nationally; holding trainings for housing stakeholders with the goal of training 400 people; and developing and distributing a Fair Zoning School curriculum.

**Connecticut Fair Housing Center, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$125,000.00**

The Connecticut Fair Housing Center (Center) will use its grant to meet the need for quality affordable rental homes. Activities will include: educating community leaders on the center's work and fair housing laws; providing fair housing training to communities of color; placing articles in newspapers and publications written in a language other than English about fair housing, the work of the Center, and how to file a housing discrimination complaint; developing and conducting focus groups for people in struggling communities to determine mobility impediments and what would assist them in making an opportunity move; creating a report based on focus group results with suggested ways to address the obstacles and presenting it to mobility counselors and others assisting people in moving; publishing and disseminating a manual on inclusionary zoning best practices.

DELAWARE

Wilmington

**Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$307,500.00**

Community Legal Aid Society, Inc. (CLASI) will use its grant to reduce the instances of housing discrimination against members of the protected classes in the State of Delaware through increased enforcement efforts. CLASI will continue activities conducted under previous PEI grants, with greater emphasis on the investigation of systemic fair housing violations through expanded testing programs, conducted with the assistance of the University of Delaware's Center for Community Research and Services (CCRS). CLASI will also collaborate with other housing advocates in the state to implement recommendations in the recently released Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice in Delaware. Further, CLASI will conduct fair housing tests under this project.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington

**Equal Rights Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Funding Component - \$325,000.00**

The Equal Rights Center (ERC) will use its grant to benefit individuals protected by all federally protected classes, locally protected classes in the District of Columbia and locally protected classes of surrounding areas, with a particular emphasis on disability and national origin. The

ERC will: maintain a comprehensive enforcement log to accept complaints based on federally and locally protected classes; conduct intakes and investigate, through testing and other methods, new complaints of housing discrimination alleging violation of federal fair housing laws; refer meritorious complaints to HUD or the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights or assist complainants through the HUD/FHAP administrative process; and develop educational and counseling opportunities in the community through an integrated outreach approach.

**Housing Counseling Services
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$125,000.00**

Housing Counseling Services, Inc. (HCS) will use its grants to conduct fair housing outreach and education activities targeted to low- and moderate-income households and underserved populations, including the LEP community, minorities, and the disabled; encourage housing industry professionals, landlords, housing providers, community-based service providers, and community and faith-based leaders to play a more active role in promoting equal housing opportunity; curtail housing discrimination; and increase the number of complaints filed with fair housing enforcement agencies throughout the DC Metropolitan area (including suburban MD and VA). Under this grant, the organization's primary goal is to provide public events to educate consumers on fair housing, financial literacy, credit management, and avoiding high-cost loans and abusive lending practices that violate the Fair Housing Act.

**Housing Counseling Services
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

Housing Counseling Services, Inc. (HCS) will use its grant to conduct outreach, education, and counseling to identify and report lending discrimination, mortgage rescue scams, mortgage loan, and mortgage servicing fraud and abuse and identify and analyze patterns of discrimination related to the lending process. HCS's activities target low- and moderate-income and underserved home buyers and homeowners, including the immigrant, disabled, and LEP communities; encourage housing industry professionals, housing providers, community-based service providers, and community based leaders to play a more active role in promoting equal housing opportunity; curtail housing discrimination, avoiding mortgage rescue scams, and increase the number of complaints filed with fair housing enforcement agencies throughout the DC Metropolitan area (including suburban MD and VA).

**Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending
Component - \$324,323.00**

The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law will use its grant to continue the efforts of the National Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network. The Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network will: collect reports of mortgage rescue scams from victims and input them into the database; continue ongoing litigation against scammers and bring additional lawsuits; seek successful resolution of lawsuits against scammers for plaintiffs; add new non-

governmental organizations and new governmental regulatory and enforcement agencies as partners in the Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network; and attract visitors to the www.preventloanscams.org website.

**National Community Reinvestment Coalition
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Establishing New Organizations
Component - \$1,249,885.00**

The National Community Reinvestment Coalition will use its grant to work with local community fair housing/fair lending advocates to plan, setup, and develop South Carolina's only statewide, full-service enforcement fair housing center. The proposed South Carolina Fair Housing Center (SCFHC) will investigate fair housing and lending discrimination in rental, sales, and other housing related transactions based on color, disability, familial status, national origin, race, religion, and gender; provide education and outreach and assist bona fide complainants by filing complaints with HUD; and work to remove barriers to fair housing choice by monitoring local and state Analysis of Impediments.

**National Fair Housing Alliance
Education and Outreach Initiative – National Media Campaign
Component - \$1,499,912.00**

The National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA) will use its grant to conduct a centralized, coordinated, interactive media-based campaign to promote fair housing. Discrimination has become more subtle over the years and the need to educate the public about recognizing discrimination and knowing their fair housing rights is vital, and many victims believed that filing some type of complaint would not have been worth it or would not have helped. The campaign will have several components designed to address these and other issues. Media products, including products developed for the hearing impaired and deaf community, will be distributed throughout the U.S. to a broad audience of consumers and to national and local community based and fair housing organizations, as well as almost 1200 CDBG entitlement communities.

**National Fair Housing Alliance
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$324,999.00**

The National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA) will use its grant to conduct lending testing in a metropolitan area and real estate owned property investigations in four states. The NFHA project's testing and investigation activities will provide a strategic, systemic approach to challenging illegal activities surrounding foreclosure issues in African American and Latino neighborhoods by investigating and examining differences in treatment and services between Whites and African Americans, Latinos, families with children, people with Limited English Proficiency, and single female headed households. NFHA will produce a report documenting disparities and provide best practices and policies that will reduce and eliminate discriminatory

behaviors and distribute it through NFHA's website and to CDBG recipients, housing counseling agencies, and fair housing advocates.

National Fair Housing Alliance
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00

The National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA) will use its grant to conduct rental, sales, lending and design and construction investigations. NFHA will conduct these tests in multiple Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) jurisdictions across the country, targeting cities where no private, non-profit, full service fair housing centers currently operate. These systemic investigations will provide CDBG recipients with more knowledge about how discrimination occurs in their localities so they can design better remedies in their Consolidated Plans for eliminating barriers to fair housing. NFHA will develop systemic investigation based on initial testing evidence and bring administrative or legal enforcement actions.

FLORIDA

Daytona Beach

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. (CLSMF) will use its grant to perform extensive fair housing outreach/education, throughout Central Florida in order to identify victims of housing discrimination. The areas that will be served are Citrus, Flagler, Hernando, Lake, Marion, Orange, Putnam and Sumter counties in Central Florida. CLSMF will provide educational materials about Fair Housing in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Creole, while the CLSMF staff will conduct fair housing/fair lending educational workshops in English and Spanish to educate service area residents on discriminatory housing practices. These projects will be conducted with extensive testing on these areas so that CLSMF can better serve the discriminated according to the Fair Housing laws.

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$325,000.00

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. (CLSMF) will use its grant to conduct a Fair Lending Project in Central Florida. Activities will include: investigate client alleged fair lending violations and help resolve complaints; design materials for seniors and the disabled; compare mortgage lenders' maintenance and marketing of real estate owned properties in minority and non-minority areas, and use complaint-based and systemic tests to uncover mortgage rescue scams and discrimination in lending; train local government employees and housing providers on affirmatively furthering fair housing; train non-profits on housing and lending discrimination;

and enforce fair housing and lending laws through complaints with HUD and other appropriate agencies, as well as pursuing individual cases. Outreach will be conducted in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Haitian Creole, and other languages as needed.

Mid-Florida Housing Partnership, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00

Mid-Florida Housing Partnership, Inc. (MFHP) will use its grant for lending outreach/education, with an emphasis on serving special needs groups such as persons with disabilities and their support coordinators, minorities, and persons with LEP. Outreach and education activities will include: Fair Housing Education to the general public, lending workshop community meetings, and Financial Literacy Workshops on how to avoid predatory lenders and recognize and report predatory and abusive lending practices as well as money and credit management that will be conducted in partnership with local banks. MFHP will also conduct foreclosure prevention workshops that will be extended to homeowners at risk of foreclosure or default to help them retain their homes, along with individual counseling sessions for homeowners at risk for discrimination.

Jacksonville

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,902.00

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. (JALA) will use its grant to conduct intake, testing, investigations, and enforcement of fair housing discrimination complaints, mediation, or voluntary resolution of housing discrimination after a complaint has been filed, and litigation where necessary. Specifically, JALA will expand services and activities to systemic housing investigations based on current investigations, and investigate discrimination against the LGBT community by collecting data and analysis to determine if a basis for discrimination exists. Systemic investigations may include investigation of discrimination in rental, sales, and lending and include HUD funded entity, institutional organizations, jurisdictional agencies, and public and private housing providers.

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$324,966.00

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. (JALA) will use its grant to prioritize and target a large segment of an entire community by attacking mortgage abuses that are a direct product of the systemic discrimination directed at Jacksonville's African American and disabled communities. JALA will provide direct legal assistance to uncover fraudulent mortgage practices. The organization will seek relief options that may include mortgage term modifications (i.e. reduction in principal and interest rates) and other foreclosure prevention loan servicing required by fair housing laws, federal regulations, and loan servicing guidelines. The type of legal representation

to be provided includes performing case analysis, conducting legal research, drafting legal documents (e.g. letters, memorandums, motions, and pleadings), negotiating with opposing counsel, and appearing in court.

Lantana

Fair Housing Center of the Greater Palm Beaches, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$321,723.00

The Fair Housing Center of the Greater Palm Beaches, Inc. (FHC), will use its grant to address housing discrimination covered by the Fair Housing Act and provide comprehensive services to persons with limited English proficiency. Activities will include: complaint intake and legal support to victims of illegal housing practices; housing discrimination testing; testing programs for lending institutions, real estate, and rental management professionals; fair housing education and outreach to the private housing industry, public housing authorities, and CDCs; legal community seminars; education sessions for the general public, protected classes, new immigrants, traditionally underserved, and disadvantaged groups on first time home buying; predatory lending education for CBOs, civic and faith-based groups, and condo/homeowner associations; media monitoring for compliance to fair housing advertising guidelines; and mass media campaigns to heighten public awareness.

Melbourne

Fair Housing Continuum, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$320,667.00

The Fair Housing Continuum, Inc. (Continuum) will use its grant to provide the full range of fair housing enforcement activities to all persons protected under the Fair Housing Act in its newly expanded service area, which includes Orlando. The grant emphasis will be underserved communities of homeless persons, issues of non-English speaking immigrant populations, and persons with disabilities. Under this grant, the Continuum will: recruit and train testers and conduct tests; conduct training events and accessibility workshops and assist persons with reasonable accommodations; and conduct intake of fair housing complaints and refer complaints to HUD.

Miami

Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc. (HOPE) will use its grant to develop a Fair Lending Investigation Unit to address foreclosures and discrimination in finance systems because of race and national origin. Investigative activities will be conducted in order to identify

fair lending violations and mortgage rescue scams. Paired lending tests will document and measure whether mortgage credit is available without regard to the racial composition of the neighborhood or race/ethnicity of the applicant(s). Lenders/servicers and asset managers will be targeted to document any patterns of discrimination and enforcement actions will be initiated if they maintain real estate owned homes differently based on the racial composition of the neighborhoods. The project will include consumer education in English, Spanish, and Creole regarding fair lending and avoiding mortgage fraud and foreclosure scams.

**Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
Component - \$125,000.00**

Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc. (HOPE) will use its grant to develop and implement an affirmatively furthering fair housing training curriculum designed to provide training to CDBG, NSP, HOME, and other community development members throughout Florida. The training will address strategies that are consistent with the implementation of HUD's programs, pertinent laws and implementing regulations which mandate non-discrimination and accessibility in federally funded housing and non-housing programs for persons with disabilities, best practices, and resources to enhance the participants' compliance efforts. The proposed project also will result in the development of a fair housing and civil rights compliance training program that can be utilized by recipients of federal funds for housing related programs nationwide.

**Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component - \$325,000.00**

Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc. (HOPE) will use its grant to provide culturally competent and accessible fair housing services to all members of protected classes in Miami-Dade and Broward Counties. Project activities will include interviewing potential victims of discrimination; taking complaints; testing; evaluating testing results; conducting preliminary investigations; facilitating mediation where appropriate; and enforcing meritorious claims of housing discrimination through litigation or referral to HUD or substantially equivalent administrative enforcement agencies. HOPE will also conduct an education and outreach program to the populations identified in this proposal and the public regarding their rights under the fair housing laws and outreach and education to the housing industry concerning its responsibilities and obligations. Outreach activities will be conducted in Spanish and Haitian Creole.

Tampa

**Bay Area Legal Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$292,920.00**

Bay Area Legal Services, Inc. will use its grant to serve populations in high needs areas identified in the County's Five Year Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choices. Activities will include: provide educational activities to residents who lack knowledge of fair housing rights, and to housing providers about fair housing obligations; eliminate discriminatory practices in rental, sales, and lending against protected classes; preserve affordable, decent housing and create more inclusive communities especially for populations at increased risk of discriminatory housing practices; and obtain reasonable accommodations and accessibility for disabled persons. The project will affirmatively furthering fair housing rights through investigation and/or enforcement and hold educational events to ensure diverse, inclusive and sustainable communities, stronger households, and reduced homelessness.

West Palm Beach

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. (LASPBC) will use its grant to address local discriminatory housing practices by: systematically investigating complaints and litigating as warranted; conducting outreach activities targeting immigrant populations, persons with disabilities, veterans, and the elderly; recruiting and training new testers; conducting tests of lending institutions and mortgage-related services; and referring complaints to HUD or the local Fair Housing Assistance Program agency. The Legal Aid Society will concentrate on resolving complaints through mediation or other voluntary resolution processes rather than through litigation whenever possible, practical, and in the best interest of the client.

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$313,246.00

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. (LASPBC) will use its grant to address local discriminatory housing practices by increasing compliance with the Federal Fair Housing Act and with equivalent State and local fair housing laws. Enforcement and other activities will include: investigating and litigating fair housing complaints; recruiting and training new testers and conducting tests of the local housing market; conducting education and outreach activities; producing a quarterly newsletters for distribution to case workers and housing advocates; and referring complaints to HUD. The project will concentrate on resolving fair housing complaints through mediation or other voluntary resolution processes rather than through litigation whenever possible, practical, and in the best interest of the client.

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. Education and Outreach Initiative– General Component - \$125,000.00

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. (LASPBC) will use its grant to explain to the general public and local housing providers what “equal opportunity in housing” means and what

housing providers need to do to comply with the Fair Housing Act. Activities will include: workshops to social service caseworkers and housing industry professionals on fair housing discrimination topics; production and dissemination of fair housing technical information materials (in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole) to educate the general public about accessibility and their rights to fair housing; fair housing education and outreach events for the general public; newsletters for distribution to case workers and housing professionals; new fair housing outreach materials; and a new rural initiative. The project will also refer complaints to HUD or a local Fair Housing Assistance Program agency.

**Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. will use its grant to educate the general public, local housing and real estate professionals, and lenders on housing discrimination, predatory lending, and discriminatory foreclosure practices. Activities will include: education and outreach events targeting audiences most likely to become victims of predatory and discriminatory lending practices; presentations targeted primarily for individuals protected under fair housing and fair lending laws; distribution of brochures, flyers, and informational booklets in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole and newsletters for case workers and housing advocates; development of fair lending best practices; and a resource guide for federal foreclosure prevention programs. The project will also refer complaints to HUD or a local Fair Housing Assistance Program agency.

GEORGIA

East Point

**Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc. (Metro) will use its grant to continue its core fair housing activities in the greater Atlanta MSA and open a satellite office in the northern region of Gwinnett County to provide greater access to Georgia residents in bordering areas with large Latino communities that include Forsyth, Hall, Barrow and Jackson Counties and the northern end of Fulton and DeKalb Counties. Activities will include a full-scale fair housing program that includes education and outreach, complaint intake, and systemic testing; the filing bona fide fair housing complaints with HUD; and collaborations with faith-based and community organizations.

Savannah

**Savannah-Chatham County Fair Housing Council, Inc.
Fair Housing Organizations Initiative – Continued Development
Component - \$177,375.00**

The Savannah-Chatham County Fair Housing Council (SCFHC) will use its funds to target services to Savannah, Georgia, including Chatham County and the surrounding counties of Bryan and Effingham Counties. The project goal is to eliminate housing discrimination through conducting complaint-based and systemic testing, targeting underserved areas and populations. Anticipated outcomes include: housing discrimination complaints investigated and resolved by professionally trained, competent staff; Savannah, Georgia and surrounding Effingham and Bryan Counties realizing continued progress toward the City of Savannah and State of Georgia Fair Housing Plans, and a reduction in discriminatory housing practices as successful enforcement is publicized.

HAWAII

Honolulu

**Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

The Legal Aid Society of Hawaii's Fair Housing Enforcement Program will use its grant to conduct a full service enforcement program for fair housing. Specific areas of concentration include increasing systemic testing in sex and gender discrimination; increasing systemic testing for accessibility and structural violations; and expanding testing statewide with a focus on recruitment and training for testers on islands other than O'ahu. Education and outreach activities will include participating in statewide education and outreach for Fair Housing Month, providing fair housing law education and outreach to individuals, including persons with disabilities, and to agencies servicing persons with disabilities, and distributing outreach brochures in English and other languages.

IDAHO

Boise

**Intermountain Fair Housing Council, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,630.00**

The Intermountain Fair Housing Council (IFHC), will use its grant to provide a statewide full-service fair housing enforcement program designed to address systemic housing issues across agencies and industries; focused on low-income rural, recent immigrants (LEP), persons with disabilities, and single female heads-of-households with children; and provide a full-spectrum of fair housing services to all FHA protected persons. Fair housing investigation and enforcement activities will include systemic investigations and site design and construction assessments. Education activities will include education to housing providers and refugee/immigrant households; radio and cable TV fair housing programs in Spanish; events with community

organizations or faith based organizations; outreach to rural home-seekers, immigrants w/LEP, persons w/disabilities and female heads-of-households with children.

ILLINOIS

Chicago

Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago Private Enforcement Initiative - Performance Based Funding Component - \$325,000.00

Access Living, of Metropolitan Chicago will use its grant to employ three interrelated components. Through litigation of HUD complaints and lawsuits, negotiation/mediation, and testing, Access Living will make housing units available and/or accessible to people who are disabled. Through public policy partnerships and advocacy, Access Living will continue current collaborations and forge new partnerships to build the capacity of partners, share knowledge/expertise, and affirmatively further fair housing on the local, state and national level. Through education and training efforts, the organization will empower consumers to solve fair housing disputes on their own, instruct housing providers on how to comply with fair housing laws, and teach architects and developers about new construction requirements. The project will also update and distribute its Fair Housing Handbook (in Spanish, Polish, and Chinese), and other materials for consumers, attorneys and advocates that are also available in alternative formats for individuals who are blind or vision-impaired.

Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

The Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law (Committee) will use its grant to conduct workshops in Spanish and English, several of which will be in collaboration with the Illinois Department of Human Rights and a Fair Housing Assistance Program to educate tenants, homeowners, and landlords about fair housing law. Discrimination complaints will be received or referred to the Committee. The organizational and project mission is specially focused on affirmatively furthering fair housing, capacity building and knowledge sharing. The Committee will recruit testers, and conduct tests, complaint-based or systemic, for housing rental or sales and mortgage lending. The project will refer cases to pro bono lawyers from Chicago law firms.

John Marshall Law School Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$279,951.00

The John Marshall Law School will use its grant to continue to fund the Fair Housing Legal Clinic, a broad-based, full-service project assisting persons who have been discriminated against in housing with legal representation. The Clinic will hire an office manager addressing HUD's Policy Priority of Job Creation and educate approximately 116 law students and 3 attorney fellows; conduct matched tests to determine if discrimination has occurred, and conduct

investigations and analyze all documentation to uncover patterns of discrimination that would present the need for systemic discrimination; conduct education and outreach activities to educate the community about the fair housing laws and to inform persons of their rights under the law; and develop new partnerships

John Marshall Law School
Education and Outreach Initiative – Higher Education
Component - \$99,787.00

The John Marshall Law School will use its grant to continue its Fair Housing Internship program with 12 interns and continue developing and implementing curricula for undergraduate students in fair housing law and investigations. Student will earn academic credit and receive a certificate from The John Marshall Law School upon successful completion of the program. In addition, the Legal Support Center and Clinic (the Center) will hold a career event will be held for students to explore job and career opportunities, and the Center will host an event for area colleges and universities to review the progress of affirmatively furthering fair housing through the integration of fair housing course(s) and curriculum expanded to include undergraduate program of study.

John Marshall Law School
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$97,133.00

The John Marshall Law School will use its grant for education and outreach activities that will include: Legal Support Center and Clinic (The Center) review of documents, assistance to victims of housing and fair lending discrimination, and, if warranted, referral of individuals to HUD, the Illinois Department of Human Rights, or The Fair Housing Legal Clinic; fair housing intern presentations to community groups or organizations about unfair and discriminatory home lending practices, fair lending/home preservation programs to improve the skills and knowledge of service providers that assist the general public on fair lending law and issues, and reverse mortgage presentations to senior homeowners; and education for attorneys and housing or mortgage service providers of the statutes governing fair lending and the legal remedies as well as options for victims of lending discrimination.

Homewood

South Suburban Housing Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$303,000.00

South Suburban Housing Center (SSHC) will use its grant to address effects of the mortgage foreclosure crisis by: implementing fair housing enforcement, counseling, and advocacy assistance for mortgage distressed victims of prior discriminatory practices; education and outreach awareness to prevent predatory lending, mortgage fraud, and mortgage rescue scams; and partnerships with local organizations, governments, and HUD Fair Housing Assistance Programs to build capacities to overcome these mortgage lending problems through regional efforts to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing. SSHC will partner with the South Suburban

Mayors and Managers Association, Diversity, Inc., the Illinois Attorney General's Office, and the Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing to provide specialized fair housing assistance to families in racially segregated communities.

**South Suburban Housing Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,775.00**

South Suburban Housing Center (SSHC) will use its grant to continue on-going comprehensive fair housing and fair lending enforcement, counseling and advocacy assistance for distressed victims of prior discriminatory practices, bolster education and outreach to heighten awareness with vulnerable protected groups, and build capacities with local governments and FHAPs to provide training and cooperative efforts to implement regional activities to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing.

Wheaton

**HOPE Fair Housing Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,020.00**

HOPE Fair Housing Center (HOPE) will use its grant to conduct rental, accessibility, and lending investigations, and request and review Public Housing Authority affirmatively furthering fair housing plans. HOPE will expand its systemic investigations, including those for accessible housing, discrimination in availability or terms and conditions against disabled persons in rental housing, and investigation into bank owned, foreclosed homes in select comparable neighborhoods, and begin conducting systemic investigations of real estate sales practices in Northern Illinois.

**HOPE Fair Housing Center
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$124,834.00**

HOPE Fair Housing Center will use its grant to create a fair housing presentation that highlights the elimination of discrimination and the promotion of integrated living patterns and informs youth about current Fair Housing Act protections for young people. The purpose will be to instruct, nurture, inspire, and give young people and new immigrants (LEP) useful fair housing information and resources. HOPE will develop an accompanying curriculum appropriate for ESL classes and a before and after survey tool to assess audience knowledge and attitude towards fair housing. HOPE will conduct in-person presentations at selected high schools and ESL classes in the service area, review and analyze the fair housing surveys, and create a report summarizing all survey information.

Winnetka

Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$235,687.00

Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs (Interfaith) will use its grant for fair housing investigative and auditing activities in 16 northern Cook and southern Lake County suburbs north of Chicago. Activities will include outreach to all protected classes; investigation of fair housing complaints; referral of enforcement proposals to HUD; matched pair audit-based rental or sales testing; audits, investigations and litigation where appropriate on fair housing tests in the sales and rental housing markets; audits of sales and rental testing based on online or print advertisements; delivery of fair housing rights and responsibilities and fair lending and mortgage rescue scam training and education; focus groups to determine “outsider” views of municipalities on Chicago’s North Shore; demographic research of North Shore retirement communities, including a survey of online and print advertising, to determine extent of affirmative marketing of communities; meetings with municipal and county leaders to disseminate results of testing, market research, and focus groups to affirmatively further fair housing, assist with eliminating discriminatory barriers to housing and support best practices to ensure racially diverse, accessible communities.

KENTUCKY

Lexington

Lexington Fair Housing Council, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$296,996.00

Lexington Fair Housing Council, Inc. (LFHC) will use its grant to conduct the following tasks: an expanded program of testing; a hotline and training for housing providers; a program to provide immediate advice to those under pressure to take out predatory loans; education and monitoring for local home ownership programs; multi lingual outreach and workshops to the community; promotion of language access by housing providers; a partnership with Kentucky State University to educate students about fair housing laws; and intake, litigation, and mediation of fair housing complaints.

LOUISIANA

New Orleans

Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

The Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center (FHAC) will use grant funds to expand its fair lending related services to the greater New Orleans area. FHAC proposes to: conduct intake of complaints and case management for potential victims of lending discrimination and refer complaints for enforcement when appropriate; recruit and train new testers and conduct systemic or complaint driven tests of lenders engaging in discriminatory practices; assist clients with foreclosure prevention counseling to pursue loan workouts, refinancing, or modifications as necessary; conduct a forensic review of three years of Homeownership Protection Project housing counseling case files and provide enforcement action where warranted; produce a white paper about predatory lending and lending discrimination in Louisiana.

Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

The Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center (FHAC) will use its grant to provide services to individuals and families in the New Orleans MSA. As the only Qualified Fair Housing Organization in the state, FHAC will also continue to provide technical assistance to persons who believe that they have been victims of housing discrimination and investigate complaints of housing discrimination throughout Louisiana.

Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center, Inc. Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending Component - \$125,000.00

The Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center (FHAC) will use grant funds to expand fair lending related education and outreach services in Louisiana. Activities will include: developing curricula, materials, and a marketing plan for three lending related courses under FHAC's Fair Housing University educational initiative, offering each class free to the public at least twice, and including the new courses in Spanish on its website; developing a fair housing policy platform incorporating fair lending available on FHAC's website; conducting web-based education/advocacy campaigns; meeting with lenders about FHAC's fair lending policy goals; presenting state lawmakers and lenders a fair lending policy briefing with new materials; and developing a lending discrimination and predatory loans booklet in Spanish and distributing it to legislators to make available to constituents.

MAINE

Portland

Pine Tree Legal Assistance Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

Pine Tree Legal Assistance will use its grant to enforce federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination on behalf of tenants as well as low-income homeowners in mobile home parks, an important source of homeownership for low-income Mainers. Testing will be used to identify systemic discrimination against all protected categories, with a special emphasis on discrimination against underserved populations, including individuals in rural areas, individuals with disabilities and those who are immigrants or have limited English proficiency. The organization will conduct education and outreach efforts to strengthen awareness of fair housing laws and protections among protected classes, and strengthen capacity among government and nonprofit partners to enforce and extend fair housing protections for all vulnerable individuals around Maine.

MARYLAND

Baltimore

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$324,411.00

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc. (BNI) will use its grant to continue its ongoing activities of monitored testing, investigating fair housing complaints, mediating disputes between complainants and landlords, litigating fair housing cases, and disseminating information about fair housing laws. BNI will be able to expand its fair housing activities to other jurisdictions throughout the state, focusing on the Eastern Shore, and Prince George's, Carroll, and Anne Arundel counties, which will enable it to create systemic investigations of housing discrimination.

University of Maryland, Baltimore Education and Outreach Initiative – Higher Education Component -\$100,000.00

The University of Maryland Carey Law School, together with its consulting partners National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC) and Civil Justice, will use its grant to: create a three-part curriculum in fair housing law for upper-year law students, and deliver that curriculum; establish paid internships for eight high-performing students who have completed

the Fair Housing in Law, Theory, and Practice course and award them Fair Housing Fellowships; and engage the fellows with the wider professional Fair Housing community (legal practitioners, government fair housing agency staff, non-profit and community providers) in a capacity-building conference hosted at the Law School. The conference will be broadly-inclusive, will provide functional tracks (education and outreach, training, research trends, policy), and offer legal-systems perspective, and the partners will collect data of protected-class participation.

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston (FHCGB) will use its grant to serve the populations of the Essex, Middlesex, Norfolk, Suffolk, and Plymouth counties, and the project will serve members of all protected classes under the Fair Housing Act and substantially equivalent state law, including the following targeted underserved populations: people of color, people with disabilities, homeless individuals and families, immigrants with limited English proficiency, and low- and moderate-income home seekers. FHCGB will provide sixty education and training sessions to housing seekers and housing providers in twelve different languages and provide nine Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing trainings to non-profit organizations, cities, towns and/or municipalities.

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component - \$124,999.00

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston will use its grant to educate the general public, municipalities, landlords, property managers, real estate brokers, community development corporations, and advocacy organizations via fair housing trainings with a particular emphasis on discrimination affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community to determine whether there is evidence of sex discrimination, discrimination based on source of income which may indicate unlawful discrimination based on race, national origin, or other protected class, fair lending, and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The organization will also conduct a fair housing conference.

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston Education and Outreach Initiative – Higher Education Component - \$99,999.00

Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston will use its grant to work with faculty to develop two academic modules that will integrate a fair housing curriculum within a public policy course

offered at Tufts University (Tufts/UEP) and an urban design seminar offered through the Gateways Program at the Boston Architectural College. Other activities will include recruiting four interns to participate in a 14-week, paid internship during the fall and spring semesters. Tufts/UEP interns will research discriminatory lending patterns in Somerville and Medford with a particular emphasis on predatory lending, rescue mortgage scams and foreclosures, and Boston Architectural College interns will create a disability access tool-kit for developers, architects and contractors. FHCGB staff will participate in seminars, colloquia and campus events at both schools.

Holyoke

Housing Discrimination Project

Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based

Component - \$325,000.00

The Housing Discrimination Project (HDP) will use its grant to affirmatively further fair housing by conducting systemic linguistic profiling testing; conducting an analysis of zoning ordinances to identify policies or practices that contribute to residential segregation; developing a training module and conducting education and outreach in medical clinics, where health concerns intersect with fair housing solutions; and partnering with two local housing authorities to help eliminate the discriminatory barriers Section 8 voucher holders face when attempting to move from a high-poverty community into a low-poverty community. HDP will also conduct education and outreach activities to build the capacity of the private bar to litigate complaints of housing discrimination and to educate the housing industry about their obligations under the Federal Fair Housing laws. HDP's project will focus media, enforcement and community education campaigns toward traditionally underserved populations, including LEP communities.

Worcester

Community Legal Aid, Inc.

Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending

Component - \$183,500.00

Community Legal Aid, Inc. (CLA) will use its grant for investigation and enforcement activities that will include: analysis of where protected classes live in relationship to concentrated foreclosure activity; work with partners on education for at-risk homeowners on fair lending, discriminatory lending, foreclosure prevention, mortgage rescue schemes, and fair housing law rights; create, translate, and distribute brochures, and engage in outreach, including newspaper articles and advertisements and appearances on local cable television; help homeowners seeking loan modifications and help with mortgage rescue scam issues; file complaints, assist persons with disabilities, and help homeowners threatened with, or going through foreclosure from unfair lending practices and other violations of state and federal law; participate in a working group and two taskforces where information will be disseminated about foreclosure prevention.

MICHIGAN

Ann Arbor

**Fair Housing Center of Southeastern Michigan
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$275,765.00**

The Fair Housing Center of Southeastern Michigan (FHC-Southeast) will use its grant to provide services in Washtenaw, Ingham, Jackson, Lenawee, Livingston, and Monroe counties. FHC-Southeast will continue to gain dozens of reasonable accommodations and make important gains in litigation and testing on behalf of women facing sexual harassment, people with disabilities, complainants suffering retaliation, victims of domestic violence, and same-sex couples for evidence of possible sex discrimination. These services will be targeted using systematic testing, advertising, advocate trainings, referrals for legal aid, emergency housing and accessibility for the disabled.

Detroit

**Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$299,525.00**

Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit (FHCMD) will use its grant to continue work for effective resolutions of complaints of discrimination. FHCMD has investigated over 3,500 complaints of unlawful housing discrimination; conducted over 2,400 housing discrimination tests in relation to those complaints; referred over 1,000 complainants to HUD, and/or the Michigan Department of Civil Rights (MDCR), for administrative resolution of their complaints; and referred over 260 complainants to private practice attorneys who filed over 240 lawsuits in state or federal courts on behalf of those complainants.

Flint

**Legal Services of Eastern Michigan
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$266,448.00**

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (LSEM) will use its grant to address the needs of low-income and disabled individuals who have experienced fair housing-related discrimination by offering a full range of fair housing testing and enforcement services in four of its service counties, and complaint-based fair housing services in 10 counties. Activities will include comprehensive fair housing testing activities; fair housing education and outreach; targeted investigations; and the filing of an enforcement proposal.

Grand Rapids

Fair Housing Center of West Michigan Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

The Fair Housing Center of West Michigan (FHCWM) will use its grant to provide comprehensive fair housing enforcement services in a 12 county service area in west Michigan and fair housing services to two-thirds of the State of Michigan as needed. Activities will include working the rental and homeownership markets to provide fair housing enforcement and related services to people within all federally protected classes. The FHCWM will undertake activities specifically targeted toward expanding upon previous FHIP funded activities and conducting systemic investigations of housing discrimination.

Fair Housing Center of West Michigan Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component - \$46,904.00

The Fair Housing Center of West Michigan (FHCWM) will use its grant to: provide technical fair housing education and training to housing providers, local governments, landlords, and developers; provide general fair housing education and outreach to homeless and disability support organizations, home seekers, community members and social service agencies; provide translated materials and the use of translation services and interpreters to help ensure meaningful access to information on fair housing rights and protections; and develop and provide new and innovative fair housing curricula and materials/activities to elementary students, parents, and teachers, to further awareness of fair housing rights and expand equal housing choice and access for families with children.

Kalamazoo

Fair Housing Center of Southwest Michigan Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$302,766.00

The Fair Housing Center of Southwest Michigan will use its grant to provide fair housing enforcement services as well as limited outreach and education. Project activities will include: training new testers and completing rental/sales paired tests in connection with complaint and systemic testing; investigating new complaints; conducting systemic investigation violations of the Fair Housing Act; counseling and referring persons with non-fair housing issues; developing and maintaining partnerships with nonprofit organizations; reaching out to non-English speaking persons; and conducting conferences and presentations with audiences including landlords and members of protected classes.

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis

Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

The Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis (LASM) will use its grant to partner with Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services (SMRLS) to improve enforcement of the Fair Housing Act in the Minneapolis Empowerment Zone in the rental and home ownership markets. The project will: provide fair housing enforcement services to complainants and full-service housing discrimination investigation, fair housing testing, preparation, negotiation, counseling, litigation and related legal services to obtain remedies for victims of housing discrimination; strengthen the area's Fair Housing Implementation Council's efforts to address the 2009 Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing; advance a fair housing accountability framework in the HUD-Metropolitan Council Sustainable Communities Plan; share fair housing knowledge and expand capacity by providing technical assistance to public and private partners; and facilitate compliance by housing developers with FHAA accessible design obligations and improve visitability and universal design qualities.

Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis, Member of Mid-MN Legal Association Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

The Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis (LASM) will use its grant to partner with Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services (SMRLS) to provide protection from discriminatory lending and its resultant adverse effects for persons in protected classes. Project activities will include: enforcement services to victims of lending discrimination and scams, bait and switch schemes, loan flipping, loan packing, mortgage servicing scams, and equity stripping; full-service investigation, testing, preparation, negotiation, counseling, assistance with loan modifications, litigation, and related legal services to lending abuse complainants; identifying, investigating, and when appropriate litigating systemic discriminatory lending practices; and knowledge sharing and capacity building through training for foreclosure counselors, attorneys, other professionals, government officials, and community groups on best practices to address lending discrimination and scams.

Minneapolis Urban League Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending Component - \$29,988.00

The Minneapolis Urban League (MUL) will use its grant to conduct an education and outreach program for protected classes in the Minneapolis Empowerment Zone to educate the community about the rights and responsibilities of fair housing compliance, to work in preventing foreclosure, and to educate target groups about the provisions of the Fair Housing Act. Working in partnership with two nonprofit organizations, Northside Community Reinvestment Coalition and Financial Rehabilitation, Inc, MUL will provide community forums, fair housing education, grassroots outreach in a door-to-door campaign, housing counseling, referral of suspected fair housing cases to HUD and Minneapolis Legal Aid, and support knowledge management and innovation through the sharing of best practices and process improvement information to all stakeholders.

MISSISSIPPI

Waveland

Fair Housing Center for the Gulf Coast Region of Mississippi Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending Component – \$325,000.00

The Gulf Coast Fair Housing Center (GCFHC) will use grant funds to provide fair housing enforcement and education/outreach services to Mississippians. GCFHC activities will include: recruiting and training testers for lending and REO testing and conducting paired tests; intake and processing new complaints/inquiries alleging violations of fair housing laws including fair lending; analyzing lender/servicer businesses in lending, loan modification, and mortgage rescue to determine violations, if any; conducting systemic investigation of lenders, servicers, or mortgage rescue programs to determine violations of fair lending laws via terms and conditions; investigating the nature and extent of discrimination against women in loan origination; assisting individuals making fair housing complaints based on discrimination affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community which might amount to illegal sex discrimination; creating a targeted lending discrimination campaign utilizing social networking sites; and holding a fair housing conference.

MISSOURI

St. Louis

Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing Opportunity Council Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$272,614.00

The Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing Opportunity Council (EHOC) will use its grant funds to conduct enforcement activities in counties in Southern Illinois and eastern Missouri. EHOC will identify violations of fair housing law and assist home seekers of all protected classes with asserting their fair housing rights. In addition, it will work to increase the number and availability of accessible affordable housing units for all protected classes through the

eight-county bi-state regions. The organization will offer a full-service private fair housing investigative and testing project for the fourth most segregated metropolitan area in the nation.

MONTANA

Butte

**Montana Fair Housing, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$167,900.00**

Montana Fair Housing, Inc. (MFH) will use its grant to eliminate the impediments to fair housing outlined in Montana's State Analysis of Impediments. Activities will include: intake and referral activities, including the referral of meritorious claims to HUD and the mediation of cases; complaint investigation activities including testing and other research activities to identify discriminatory housing practices, and the monitoring of the design and construction of multi-family buildings; educational opportunities for advocates, housing consumers and housing providers; distribution of a list of housing that should be accessible/adaptable for persons with mobility limitations; and work with other organizations serving protected class members to affirmatively further fair housing.

NEBRASKA

Omaha

**Family Housing Advisory Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

Family Housing Advisory Services, Inc. (FHAS) will use its grant to serve Nebraska and western Iowa with broad-based, full service activities. These activities include: on-site intake and fair housing assessments at partnering agencies; fair housing testing; fair housing complaint investigation; education and outreach services to the general public and professional fair housing enforcement training to staff of agencies; a 24-hour toll free hotline and website to assist persons throughout the states of Nebraska and Iowa with complaints of discriminatory housing actions; and work with governmental and other planning bodies to affirmatively further fair housing.

NEVADA

Reno

**Silver State Fair Housing Council
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) will use its grant to continue its enforcement program and expand its capability to conduct systemic investigations of housing discrimination. Activities will include: establish a new branch office; conduct complaint intake and assessment, develop viable enforcement proposals and refer all bona fide claims to HUD; provide fair housing information through website, advertising, social media, and mail; develop a tool to help health care professionals write viable support letters for clients; facilitate reasonable accommodation/modification requests; continue its testing program; conduct trainings and outreach events for housing consumers and housing and social service providers; identify and track new multifamily housing, from building permits to certificates of occupancy, and conduct on-site assessments for enforcement purposes.

NEW JERSEY

Hackensack

**Fair Housing Council of Northern New Jersey
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component - \$325,000.00**

The Fair Housing Council of Northern New Jersey will use its grant to serve the entire state of New Jersey to conduct rental/sales tests; intake, investigate, process and refer FHIP complaints of Title VIII violations to HUD; recruit and train testers and provide tester training to the Council's non-FHIP staff; distribute fair housing flyers to community groups, faith based organizations, local shops, markets and any place where people in need of fair housing services are likely to congregate; address (in-person) religious, veteran, disability advocacy and community groups; and purchase newspaper, print and journal ads to advertise the project and its services. The areas of concentration will focus on (but not be limited to) some sections in the south and northeast where previous systemic testing revealed a high level of discrimination against minorities of color, families and persons with disabilities.

NEW YORK

Bronx

**Legal Services NYC – Bronx Corporation dba
Legal Services NYC-Bronx
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending
Component - \$325,000.00**

Legal Services NYC-Bronx will use its grant to fund the Foreclosure Prevention Project, which will serve Bronx minority, elderly, and/or immigrant homeowners with a range of services to: prevent foreclosure, redress the effects of discriminatory mortgage practices, prevent homeowners from falling prey to mortgage rescue scams or mortgage servicing abuses, identify and engage in litigation to address discriminatory lending practices and servicing abuses, and

leave homeowners with stable, safe, affordable housing. The organization will also undertake a significant community-education initiative to assist community members and other advocates in devising strategies to prevent abuses and protect the homes of minority and elderly or disabled homeowners.

Brooklyn

Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation, collaborating with Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Legal Services (BSCLS), will use grant funds to support the Anti-Predatory Lending/Foreclosure Defense Project (Project) which enforces fair housing laws on behalf of victims of real estate and mortgage rescue fraud. Through this project, Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation will conduct intake and hold intake hours in social services agencies and at the offices of elected officials. The organization will also investigate violations and conduct enforcement activities in response to meritorious claims; provide loan modifications, refinancing, and loan workouts assistance; assist clients through advice, brief service, and other intervention services; conduct education, counseling, and outreach activities including workshops onsite or at local CBOs and meetings with local community groups about fair housing/lending laws.

South Brooklyn Legal Services Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

South Brooklyn Legal Services (SBLS) will use its grant to generate and accept referrals of clients alleging housing discrimination in home financing and sales in New York City; screen, investigate and analyze all complaints through a testing methodology that will allow us to identify both individual discrimination and patterns of discrimination; refer meritorious housing discrimination complaints to HUD; provide legal and other assistance to help targeted homeowners avoid foreclosure and access fair credit; provide training and support to partner local agencies and organizations; and promote fair housing choice by educating the public about discriminatory practices in lending and home sales.

South Brooklyn Legal Services, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

South Brooklyn Legal Services (SBLS) and partners will use its grant to assist New York City residents facing foreclosure because of discriminatory home sales, financing, and foreclosure rescue scams. The organization will generate and accept clients at risk of foreclosure from housing discrimination in home financing and sales; investigate, and analyze complaints through testing to identify individual and systemic patterns of discrimination; generate computerized maps to support housing discrimination claims; refer meritorious housing discrimination complaints to appropriate enforcement agencies; file affirmative enforcement litigation to

address systemic lending abuses; provide legal and other assistance to help targeted homeowners avoid foreclosure and access affordable loan modifications; train and support partner local agencies and organizations; and educate the public about discriminatory practices in lending, home sales, and foreclosure prevention.

Buffalo

Housing Opportunities Made Equal, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative - Multi Year Component - \$308,167.00

Housing Opportunities Made Equal, Inc. will use its grant to: recruit, select and train testers and implement testing; conduct intake of housing discrimination allegations involving federal or state protected classes; mediate and/or file validated cases of discrimination; conduct outreach to municipal code enforcement officers about federal accessibility requirements and train participants at agencies serving the disabled; conduct trainings about federal and state fair housing and landlord-tenant law and landlord trainings to promote opportunities for inclusive housing; conduct outreach to potential victims of housing discrimination; publish and distribute bilingual fair housing brochures and design and place fair housing advertisements in bus shelters and on public buses; analyze Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing and report findings to HUD.

New York City

Fair Housing Justice Center, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative –Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

Fair Housing Justice Center (FHJC) will use its grant to provide fair housing counseling, investigative services (testing), as well as legal referrals of housing discrimination complaints. FHJC will assist households with federal housing vouchers and homeless individuals and families with rental subsidies to overcome barriers to housing choice. FHJC's assistance with these initiatives will be conducted through outreach meetings that serve persons with disabilities, homeless populations, immigrant and limited English-speaking communities, racial minorities, and others facing barriers to obtaining and maintaining housing.

Fair Housing Justice Center, Inc. Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending Component –\$324,995.00

The Fair Housing Justice Center (FHJC) will use its grant to conduct a systemic testing investigation into the pre-application practices of lenders to determine if first-time home buyers of different races and national origins are provided equal information, service, treatment and access to mortgage financing services and products in five New York City boroughs and seven suburban counties.

Fair Housing Justice Center, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$124,000.00

The Fair Housing Justice Center (FHJC) will use its grant to enhance public awareness about fair housing rights and obligations. Activities will include: designing and producing fair housing training materials, including a video featuring interviews with former clients who have successfully exercised their fair housing rights and FHJC's continuing efforts to combat housing discrimination; expanding FHJC's mailing list; issuing news releases; preparing and distributing FHJC's e-newsletter; and making presentations to government agencies, faith based groups, non-profits, student associations, and other groups about the FHJC and fair housing rights.

MFY Legal Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$324,999

MFY Legal Services, Inc. will use its grant to stem the tide of foreclosures in the hardest-hit neighborhoods of New York City, where people of color have long been the victims of predatory lending. The project will prevent foreclosures by assisting homeowners in obtaining affordable loan modifications and other loan workout agreements and providing community legal education on refinancing and other foreclosure-avoidance opportunities in order to create financially sustainable homeownership opportunities for minority homeowners. The primary activity under this grant will be focused on defending minority homeowners and homeowners with disabilities who are facing foreclosure. The organization will represent these homeowners at settlement conferences and in litigation with the goal of obtaining affordable loan modifications and other loan workout agreements that prevent foreclosure and preserve the families' affordable housing. Other activities include advocacy and legal assistance to decrease homeowners' remaining debt by reducing or eliminating second mortgages and credit card judgments; community-based education to build capacity in the community to identify fair housing violations in the loan origination, loan servicing and foreclosure processes; and education of and advocacy with elected officials to promote policies and practices that assist homeowners in communities of color to maintain safe and affordable housing of their choosing.

Neighborhood Economic Development Advocacy Project
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00

The Neighborhood Economic Development Advocacy Project (NEDAP) Fair Lending Initiative, a collaboration among NEDAP, five community and legal services organizations, and the local FHAP agency, will target Latinos, African-Americans, and other ethnic and racial groups, seniors, new immigrant families, and individuals with disabilities with community education, media outreach, screening, referrals, and capacity-building. Activities will include: educating New York City homeowners and renters on their fair lending rights, and alerting them to abusive/discriminatory lending practices and effective foreclosure prevention resources;

facilitating discovery and referral of fair lending complaints to HUD; supporting systemic investigations; and continuing to provide capacity-building and knowledge sharing with local groups, government officials, and other vital stakeholders.

Rochester

Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$277,000.00

Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc. (LAWNY) will use its grant to continue the work of its Fair Housing Enforcement Project for the Finger Lakes Region (FHEP) in two regions (Rochester and its suburbs and five adjoining rural counties) for testing and enforcement activities. LAWNY will field complaints for testing, utilizing paired tests when appropriate, and refer to state attorneys for enforcement when discriminatory practices are corroborated. LAWNY will recruit and train testers, and conduct testing throughout both the urban and rural project areas to ensure that meritorious cases filed in Federal Court are well documented. Additionally, LAWNY will partner with the Empire Justice Center to conduct a 2010 Census data analysis and map patterns of racial segregation in the Rochester Metropolitan Region. The organization will also conduct audit tests in segregated areas to determine advocacy strategies and to plan enforcement activities to address discriminatory barriers to fair housing choice.

Staten Island

Legal Services NYC Staten Island Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

Staten Island Legal Services (SILS) will use its grant to provide client-based and systemic work to prevent foreclosure of homes owned by members of racial minorities, elderly persons, and immigrants. SILS will continue to expand their current work of serving additional homeowners and undertaking new systemic efforts. The individual casework will include legal advice and assistance to pro se litigants; loan negotiation; representation in court; referral to housing counselors, government enforcement agencies, and financial counseling; and community education.

Syracuse

Fair Housing Council of Central New York, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$322,025.00

The Fair Housing Council of Central New York, Inc. will use its grant to process complaints and conduct telephone intake as the first step to opening fair housing investigations and screening complaints. The organization will analyze the business practices of housing providers of all types for compliance with fair housing laws. Additionally, the Fair Housing Council will recruit

and train testers annually, and administer paired rental tests during the project durations. The organization will also conduct fair housing counseling for clients in need of information regarding their fair housing/fair lending rights; maintain a website with fair housing information throughout the project and establish web pages for social networking sites, create a blog page, and update the web site; conduct professional speaking engagements throughout the organization's service area to educate the public, service providers, and members of protected classes about fair housing; distribute posters and brochures annually to educate and inform the public about fair housing; and provide other educational and enforcement fair housing activities.

White Plains

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.

Education and Outreach Initiative – Affirmatively Further Fair Housing Component - \$125,000.00

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. (WRO) will use its grant to promote diverse and inclusive communities and maximize equal housing opportunities through fair housing education and outreach in the Lower Hudson Valley. In addition to continuing to co-sponsor the annual Westchester County Fair and Affordable Housing Expo, WRO will engage in outreach to provide comprehensive on-site fair housing training and training to affirmatively market communities. This outreach will include a regional symposium on fair and affordable housing and an accessibility initiative to train about accessible and sustainable design and construction. The target audience for these symposiums will be municipal leaders, builders and developers, real estate attorneys, housing counseling agencies and other social service agencies that provide direct housing services to its clients.

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.

Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component - \$125,000.00

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. (WRO) will use its grant to: conduct fair housing workshops for realtors, landlords, cooperative and condominium boards, management companies, and the public, and conduct a regional symposium on fair and affordable housing; co-sponsor the annual Westchester County Fair and Affordable Housing Expo; distribute bi-lingual fair housing brochures; identify and address discrimination against section 8 voucher holders; produce an accessibility survey of 1500 buildings with an accompanying bi-lingual report and database; provide mobility counseling for minority residents who may wish to move into new units developed pursuant to the Westchester County housing settlement; and conduct a regional multimedia campaign for residents about the societal benefits of full integration and foster the grassroots buy-in.

**Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. (WRO) will use its grant to carry out a comprehensive program of education, training, advocacy and counseling for residents who have been victimized by fair lending violations and fraudulent or predatory mortgage rescue schemes. Activities will include: investigating fair housing lending violations through complaint intake; fair lending testing; assisting victims with modifications; mandatory orientation sessions to prepare clients for necessary financial adjustments; guidance on short sales and bankruptcy; outreach through individual counseling and group workshops on budgeting and personal finance; homeowner outreach workshops with lenders to expedite loan modifications; and volunteering at the Westchester County Courthouse to provide assistance to homeowners participating in mandatory settlement conferences with lenders.

**Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending
Component - \$212,066.00**

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. (WRO) will use its grant to provide assistance to Westchester, Rockland and Putnam County homeowners in underserved low- to moderate-income communities with substantial African American and Hispanic populations and high rates of foreclosure filings and judgments. Broadening its geographic reach will enable WRO to enhance its fair lending program, including such activities as complaint intake; investigation/enforcement; a fair lending paired testing program; individual and group mortgage counseling; intervention with lenders for all possible means of relief, including loan modifications, refinancing, and other workouts; identification of mortgage scams and other fair lending/fraud violations; community education and outreach to assist residents who face loss of their homes from fair lending and fair housing violations; and preventative education about predatory lending, financial literacy and fair housing.

**Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$158,705.33**

Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. (WRO) will use its grant to: continue to implement a systemic fair housing testing program and expand its geographic reach by engaging in more comprehensive testing throughout the lower Hudson Valley region of New York, including Westchester, Rockland and Putnam Counties; continue testing for unlawful discrimination against Section 8 voucher holders, expanding to cover all three counties; and continue administering a comprehensive fair housing enforcement program, providing assistance to victims of housing discrimination through a vigorous program of complaint intake and

investigation, and resolution through mediation or litigation. New activities will include co-sponsoring CLE education with Pace Law School to train regional lawyers how to litigate fair housing complaints, and implementing an Equal Housing in the Lower Hudson Valley Program.

NORTH CAROLINA

Raleigh

**Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Continued Development
Component - \$325,000.00**

The Fair Housing Project of Legal Aid of North Carolina (LANC), the only Fair Housing Enforcement Organization (FHO) agency in the State of North Carolina, will use its grant to provide a full-service fair housing project to residents throughout the state. Specifically, the organization will provide complaint intake and referral services, assisting individuals with fair housing matters and making referrals to HUD, local FHAP agencies, and state and federal courts; conduct fair housing testing, conduct education and outreach training events and one continuing legal education program; convene a Fair Housing Working Group including FHAP agencies and local advocates around the state; and distribute literature in English and Spanish.

OHIO

Akron

**Fair Housing Contact Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

Fair Housing Contact Service (FHCS) will use its grant to continue delivering comprehensive fair housing investigation, testing, and enforcement activities to all persons protected under Federal, state, and local fair housing laws. FHCS will also expand activities to include systemic housing investigations, affirmatively furthering fair housing and the development of mobility counseling protocols and local policies to remove identified impediments to fair housing choice.

Cincinnati

**Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Greater Cincinnati
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component - \$324,359.00**

Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Greater Cincinnati (HOME) will use its grant to provide fair housing enforcement services to all classes protected under Federal, State, and local civil

rights laws in Hamilton, Butler, Warren, and Clermont Counties, Ohio. HOME will investigate concerns of clients who feel they have experienced discrimination and advise them on enforcement options as well as conduct systemic testing of the housing market to determine if discrimination is occurring. It will audit new multifamily construction to ensure compliance with the accessibility requirements of the Fair Housing Act. HOME will deliver outreach presentations and advertise in the community to ensure residents know their fair housing rights and are aware of HOME's services. HOME will work with local jurisdictions to identify barriers to fair housing choice and train local government departments on fair housing law. HOME will assist families with Housing Choice Vouchers to move to neighborhoods of opportunity and sponsor a roundtable to share best practices in building stable integrated communities.

**Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Greater Cincinnati, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$124,889.00**

Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Greater Cincinnati (HOME) will use its grant to serve Hamilton, Clermont, Butler, and Warren Counties in Ohio, emphasizing African American communities and disabled elderly homeowners who are vulnerable targets of predatory lending and mortgage rescue scams. Outreach and education will include presentations to community groups, churches, and employee groups. Literature about discriminatory lending practices and mortgage rescue scams will be printed and distributed. Individual counseling will be provided to homebuyers and owners in danger of foreclosure to help them understand complicated financial documents and situations, including referrals to trusted agencies for longer-term services if needed. In addition, HOME will partner on a fair lending forum about racial discrepancies and conduct a workshop in fair lending, predatory lending, and mortgage rescue scams for nonprofit agencies.

Cleveland

**Housing Research & Advocacy Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component - \$325,000.00**

The Housing Research & Advocacy Center (Housing Center) will use its grant to provide services to all protected class members in Cuyahoga, Geauga, and Lorain Counties, focusing on reducing discrimination against persons with disabilities, African Americans, Hispanic/ Latinos, and families with children. To accomplish those objectives the Housing Center will: perform fair housing audits conduct a survey of newly-constructed multi-family housing; conduct trainings for landlords, real estate professionals, condominium board members and transitional housing consumers about fair housing laws; conduct trainings for local government officials and others on accessibility requirements; assist potential victims of housing discrimination through intake, complaint investigation and assistance with filing complaints with administrative agencies; monitor housing advertisements for illegal statements; work with local governments to develop proposed visitability standards; and conduct a visitability training.

Dayton

Miami Valley Fair Housing Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

The Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. (MVFHC) will use grant funds to augment its existing fair lending enforcement and complaint activities. Activities will include: intake and investigation of lending discrimination allegations; other investigation and complaint support to enforce fair lending laws related to preventing mortgage defaults and foreclosures and to facilitating modifications and refinancing of mortgages; investigations of systemic violations and enforcement of equal opportunity and fair lending statutes; assistance to clients with loan workouts, refinancing, or modifications necessary as a result of a violation of the Fair Housing Act or fair lending statutes and laws; and outreach to persons who may have encountered lending discrimination in services, terms, strategies, or schemes related to the prevention of mortgage default or foreclosure.

Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

The Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. (MVFHC) will use its grant to address housing discrimination through ongoing enforcement and education activities. MVFHC will continue to implement systemic investigation and enforcement by intake of allegations of housing discrimination, testing, and other investigative work to provide a just resolution for fair housing discrimination; mediation or other voluntary resolution of allegations of fair housing; and litigation of fair housing cases, including procuring expert witnesses. MVFHC will conduct fair housing and fair lending workshops for residential housing consumers, private and public housing professionals, and underserved individuals in all protected classes under Federal, state and local laws, and distribute print materials, PSAs, pre-recorded and live broadcast programs for television, internet and radio, certified professional curricula, and fair housing information on its websites.

Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending Component - \$125,000.00

The Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc. (MVFHC) will use grant funds to inform the public and lending professionals about their rights and obligations under the Fair Housing Act and substantially equivalent state and local fair housing and fair lending laws. MVFHC will provide education, training, and technical assistance to the public, borrowers, and lending professionals on fair lending laws addressing mortgage lending discrimination through fair housing and lending workshops and community meetings, resulting in referrals to appropriate staff at MVFHC who will provide advocacy for and direct assistance to victims of fair housing and fair lending discrimination. MVFHC will use brochures, PSAs, pre-recorded and live broadcast

programs, and certified curricula for housing professionals, all focused on the intersection of fair housing and fair lending.

Painesville

Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc. (FHRC) will use its grant to continue and expand their systematic housing discrimination investigations via rental, lending, sales, zoning, and accessibility testing programs. This will be completed through education and outreach initiatives, fair housing training and educational seminars. The initiatives will be expanded through fair housing complaint and investigation services into the tri-county area of Lake, Geauga and Ashtabula Counties. FHRC will also conduct one regional Fair Housing Seminar and six County specific fair housing seminars; conduct an analysis of Ashtabula and Geauga Counties Community Housing Improvement Strategy to determine if they are affirmatively furthering fair housing; conduct monitoring of Lake County; expand its education and outreach initiatives through various media outlets; and engage and involve the community in the tri-county region.

Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc. Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component - \$125,000.00

The Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc. (FHRC) will implement a full-service education and outreach project in the Tri-County area of Lake, Geauga, and Ashtabula Counties. Activities will include: a regional conference on new strategies for fair housing; seminars regarding the discrimination affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community and fair housing for the Tri-County Public Housing Authorities; creating and distributing written materials to communities, organizations, and members of government; placing advertisements with local media; and creating a fair housing curricula and state of the art marketing campaigns for the Tri-County school district.

Toledo

Fair Housing Opportunities, Inc. dba Fair Housing Center Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$325,000.00

The Toledo Fair Housing Center (FHC) will use its fund to conduct a project with five components: victims' assistance, complaint investigation, outreach, monitoring, and prevention. The initiative includes a comprehensive plan for intake and investigation of lending discrimination complaints, conducting testing, addressing systemic patterns and practices of discrimination, providing remedies for violations of fair housing laws, deterring future acts of discrimination, referring jurisdictional complaints to HUD, and expanding equal housing

opportunities. Testing will include pre and full-application lending testing and an audit of real estate owned properties to determine if banks are maintaining properties in White neighborhoods better than in minority neighborhoods.

**Fair Housing Opportunities Inc. dba Fair Housing Center
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000**

The Toledo Fair Housing Center (FHC) is the only fair housing enforcement agency offering comprehensive fair housing services to Lucas and Wood Counties and the cities of Bowling Green and Toledo. Grant activities will include five project components: victims' assistance; complaint investigation; outreach; monitoring; and prevention. Under these components, FHC will intake, investigate, and resolve discrimination complaints from every facet of the housing industry, process complaints on all bases of allegations, and refer complaints to HUD. The project's goal is effective enforcement of the Federal Fair Housing Act and §4112 of the Ohio Revised Code, which is the state's substantially equivalent fair housing statute.

**Fair Housing Opportunities, Inc. dba Fair Housing Center
Education and Outreach Initiative– Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

Fair Housing Opportunities, Inc. dba Fair Housing Center (FHC) will use its grant to educate Lucas and Wood County residents and housing professionals about fair housing and fair lending. Activities will include: fair lending/foreclosure prevention/mortgage rescue scams workshops; fair housing and foreclosure prevention services; individual counseling activities with homeowners at risk for discrimination and/or mortgage rescue scams; community resource booths; and fair housing training for housing professionals, Toledo Department of Neighborhoods employees, and third party CDBG recipients. FHC will host a fair housing symposium during Fair Housing Month; meet with the Ability Center of Greater Toledo, Assistance Dogs of America, and the Veterans Administration to discuss reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications; and provide fair lending training to members of Foreclosures in Ohio Cost Us.

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City

**Metropolitan Fair Housing Council of Oklahoma, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component – \$324,808.00**

The Metropolitan Fair Housing Council of Oklahoma, Inc. (MFHC) will use its grant to conduct intake of housing inquiries/intake from consumers with housing questions or complaints; conduct complaint-based tests (rental, sales, lending) and systemic tests; conduct accessibility audits of covered, multi-family housing; conduct requests for reasonable accommodation or modification; and refer enforcement proposals to HUD for processing. MFHC also will partner

with public and private organizations in Oklahoma to educate low-and moderate-income persons, persons with disabilities, the elderly, minorities, families with children, and persons who are non-English speaking or have limited English proficiency about fair housing/fair lending practices, renters rights, foreclosure prevention, and loss mitigation to increase homeownership, rental opportunities and help prevent homelessness.

OREGON

Portland

Fair Housing Council of Oregon Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

The Fair Housing Council of Oregon (FHCO) will use its grant to serve housing providers, housing consumers (in particular those with limited English proficiency, people with disabilities, and the homeless) as well as advocates serving the targeted consumer populations. Activities will include: identifying, investigating and referring alleged fair housing violations to HUD; continued development and expanding current testing program to incorporate mortgage lending and homeowner's insurance testing; developing, promoting, and delivering five enforcement excursions to various locations around the state of Oregon to provide information and fair housing complaint intake; increasing housing choice for protected class groups through identification of systemic discrimination in mortgage lending and through the construction of new multifamily housing; and providing fair housing information to non-English speaking consumers.

Fair Housing Council of Oregon Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component -\$125,000

The Fair Housing Council of Oregon (FHCO) will use its grant affirmatively further fair housing in Oregon. Activities will include: fair housing trainings for housing consumers and housing and social service providers; attendance at local community meetings to learn about regional fair housing issues; revision of fair housing reasonable accommodation materials for medical and therapeutic professionals; an affirmatively furthering fair housing summit for CDBG recipients, relevant governmental entities, fair housing advocacy organizations, attorneys, and qualified fair housing organization staff; translation (Russian and Spanish) of technical assistance for common housing transaction forms with posting to FHCO's website; educational tours and seminars for students/educators, housing providers, public housing residents, and the general public about housing discrimination in Oregon and its impact on fair housing today.

Fair Housing Council of Oregon
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Lending
Component - \$325,000.00

The Fair Housing Council of Oregon (FHCO) will use its grant to perform a full service fair housing/fair lending enforcement-related project throughout Oregon and SW Washington State that will serve housing consumers (in particular those with limited English proficiency, people with disabilities, and the homeless), advocates serving the targeted consumer populations, and housing providers. Activities will include: expanding systemic identification, investigation, and referral of fair lending violations to HUD; identifying, investigating, and referring alleged fair lending violations to HUD; identifying systemic discrimination in mortgage-lending; and providing fair lending information to non-English speaking consumers.

Fair Housing Council of Oregon
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Continued Development
Component - \$325,000.00

The Fair Housing Council of Oregon (FHCO) will use its grant to perform a systemic fair housing enforcement-related project designed to identify systemic issues of segregation throughout Oregon and SW Washington State over an 18-month period in support of HUD's strategic goals and policy priorities. Activities during the term of this grant will include: investigating systemic fair housing violations; filing at least 15 complaints of housing discrimination; holding at least 1 tester-training session for new testers and holding a Fair Housing Litigation Seminar for legal, advocacy, and mutual benefit groups targeting those who represent underserved communities. The organization will also: promote and augment a pool of private attorneys capable of providing legal services on fair housing cases; identify case law and nationally best known methods to enhance enforcement options, mediation opportunities, and voluntary compliance with statutory requirements; review hotline and enforcement logs to identify five localities to visit and perform enforcement activities, and complete other enforcement activities essential to eliminating discriminatory practices.

PENNSYLVANIA

Erie

St. Martin Center, Inc.
Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Continued Development
Component - \$325,000.00

St. Martin Center (SMC), a HUD registered, faith based, social service organization, will use its grant to expand its current fair housing education and outreach efforts to investigate mortgage loan document irregularities and the tactics of mortgage rescue scam companies currently

operating locally. SMC will promote this new initiative in all outlets currently utilized for education and outreach of its other housing programs, with the goal of quicker complaint process turnaround / resolution and improved communications with the clients.

St. Martin Center, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00

St. Martin Center, Inc. (SMC) will use its grant to continue its fair housing complaint and tracking mechanism Erie County. To accomplish this goal, SMC will work with eight social service partners, and continue informational and educational outreach efforts in the rental, purchase, and financial literacy areas of real estate by promoting the initiative in the media, conducting meetings with partners, and facilitating meetings with consumers and housing related service providers. Consumer information will include the difference between basic landlord-tenant issues and fair housing issues, what is expected from real estate and lending professionals, as well the complaint process and how it works. SMC will assist consumers in the filing of their respective complaint(s) as needed.

Fort Washington

Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,877.00

Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia, Inc. (FHCSF) will use its grant to affirmatively further fair housing and reduce discrimination against protected classes in the Greater Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley regions of PA, through ongoing enforcement and proactive, systemic investigation. FHCSF will serve all protected classes: minorities, disabled, homeless, discriminatory lending victims, non-English speakers, rural residents, and families with children under this grant. FHCSF will also serve seven counties in Eastern PA: the City of Philadelphia, including three Empowerment Zones; Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties; and Lehigh and Northampton Counties (the Lehigh Valley), to educate these regions through outreach programs that target the discriminated with the help of intake and investigations.

Glenside

Fair Housing Rights Center in Southeastern Pennsylvania
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,000.00

The Fair Housing Rights Center in Southeastern Pennsylvania (FHRC) will use its grant to combat housing discrimination by providing full service, broad based fair housing enforcement activities. The organization will concentrate on: intake, investigation and enforcement of fair housing violations in the rental, sales, lending, insurance, and advertisement of housing; auditing rental, sales, lending, and insurance activities; advertisement, design, and construction of new multi-family housing units; increasing filings and/or referrals of complaints with the PA FHAP

agency, HUD, DOJ, and the courts; fair housing education to first time homebuyers, lending institutions, and insurance companies; capacity building and knowledge sharing with community organizations; and development of a “Fair Housing Stewards” program for college students and students from 4th - 12th grades.

Pittsburgh

Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

The Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh (FHP), a qualified, experienced fair housing organization, will use its grant to continue to provide fair housing services to the City of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh MSA. Through this project FHP will conduct intake of allegations of housing discrimination, carry out both audit and complaint-based testing and assist in the enforcement of alleged violations of the Fair Housing Act and substantially equivalent State and local fair housing laws. FHP’s enforcement related work will involve activities serving all protected classes under the Fair Housing Act.

Scranton

United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern Pennsylvania Education and Outreach Initiative – General Component - \$96,904.00

The United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern Pennsylvania (UNC) will use its grant to provide services to four counties that have experienced demographic changes over the past few years pertaining to older adults, minorities and peoples with disabilities, and mitigate predatory lending and gate keeping segregation. The organization will contact the gatekeepers of the housing industry to ensure knowledge of fair housing law. The organization will also educate social service agencies on fair housing enlist their assistance in educating protected classes. UNC will host community forums to disseminate fair housing information to a wider audience. UNC will partner with local media organizations and PNC Bank to create PSAs to disseminate via radio, television, and billboard advertising.

Washington

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. (SPLAS) and its partners will use its grant to expand an established testing program for fair housing discrimination, and to increase the provision of legal counsel and representation on behalf of individuals who, through the project’s information/outreach process, are made aware of illegal acts affecting themselves or others in their community, because of their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status or

disability. SPLAS is a 44-year old provider of comprehensive legal assistance, representation, education and outreach, in coordination with four legal services program partners, four Independent living services partners, and one County Fair Housing Office Partner.

**Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$125,000.00**

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. (SPLAS), in coordination with multiple legal and independent living services partners and the Beaver County Fair Housing Office, will use grant funds to expand community education and outreach about the Fair Housing Act to individuals in protected classes. SPLAS and its partners will prepare and conduct community education events for the public, community service providers, housing providers, and local attorneys; initiate outreach to mental health/mental retardation providers and domestic and sexual violence advocacy organizations; conduct special events recognizing and publicizing Fair Housing Month and the protections afforded individuals under the Fair Housing Act; and refer complaints to HUD and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission.

**Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$125,000.00**

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. (SPLAS), in coordination with multiple partners, will use its grant for community education and outreach to persons who may have encountered lending discrimination related to the prevention of mortgage default or foreclosure in 24 Pennsylvania counties in Appalachia. SPLAS and its partners will conduct fair lending education for the public, community service providers, housing providers, and local attorneys; initiate and develop an outreach effort to mental health/mental retardation providers and domestic and sexual violence advocacy organizations; refer complaints to HUD and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission; and conduct special events around Fair Housing Month and the protections provided under the Fair Housing Act and fair lending laws.

TENNESSEE

Jackson

**West Tennessee Legal Services, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$325,000.00**

West Tennessee Legal Services, Inc. will use its grant to provide statewide full service, broad-based comprehensive fair housing enforcement services to all protected classes in all markets, with emphasis on services for underserved populations. Activities will include: analysis of housing related issues, complaint intake, investigation of allegations of discrimination, complaint based and systemic testing, evaluation of test results, mediation services, and enforcement of

meritorious claims through litigation and/or the administrative process and/or refer to appropriate agencies; develop and distribute fair housing literature and PSAs in English and Spanish; conduct fair housing workshops for a variety of audiences.

Nashville

Tennessee Fair Housing Council Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000

The Tennessee Fair Housing Council will use its grant to provide enforcement activities in Davidson, Cheatham, Dickson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson Counties of Tennessee, and education and outreach activities throughout Tennessee. Specific activities will include: comprehensive fair housing services; testing in the areas of rental, sales, accessibility and zoning; group home operators and other provider trainings, “Community Fair Housing Partnership” trainings, and multifamily owner/operator training; two fair housing conferences (a Tennessee Fair Housing Matters Conference and the Annual ECHO Fair Housing Conference); and the printing and distribution of two publications on NIMBYism and group homes.

TEXAS

Austin

Austin Tenants Council, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$324,723.00

The Austin Tenants’ Council (ATC) will use its grant to provide testing and legal resources in support of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Act of 1988. By investigating fair housing complaints through testing, ATC will use its resources to identify discrimination and help complainants enforce their rights under the Fair Housing Act. Additionally, this project is designed to heighten public awareness of the continued effects of housing discrimination in the Austin Metropolitan Statistical Area. It will specifically focus on issues surrounding the rights of disabled persons, the rights of recent immigrants to the United States and the high loan denial ratios for minority homebuyers by promoting fair housing and the availability of ATC’s services utilizing television, radio, and print advertisements focused on disability and immigrant rights.

Dallas

North Texas Fair Housing Center Fair Housing Organizations Initiative – Continued Development Component - \$261,589.00

The North Texas Fair Housing Center (NTFHC) will use its grant to support the continued development of NTFHC’s enforcement and outreach programs and support the development of a

lending investigations program. Activities will include: conducting race and familial status tests, and testing new construction to determine compliance with the Fair Housing Act's accessibility requirements, analyzing results and informing the community and local jurisdictions about fair housing practices in their communities; developing a lending investigations program and pursuing potential sustainable cases of discrimination by filing complaints with HUD and local FHAP agencies; uncovering discrimination through proactive investigation that is systemic and results in HUD filings or litigation; and educating the community on the goal and importance of equal housing opportunity.

Houston

Greater Houston Fair Housing Center, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based Component - \$325,000.00

The Greater Houston Fair Housing Center (GHFHC) will use its grant to provide fair housing enforcement services in the Houston metropolitan area. The activities include: complete bilingual full service enforcement capability in English and Spanish; intake and processing complaints of allegations of housing discrimination; conducting investigations; development of systematic investigations; recruitment and training of testers; performance of fair housing enforcement tests; performance of accessibility and design audits; conducting AFFH capacity building programs for individuals from local partners (jurisdictions, non-profit and faith based organizations); conducting media programs (English and Spanish) to promote AFFH/fair housing enforcement; referral of appropriate cases to HUD for enforcement actions; assisting complainants in determining their rights and remedies; assisting other agencies in discovery of fair housing enforcement evidence.

San Antonio

San Antonio Fair Housing Council, Inc. Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$325,000.00

San Antonio Fair Housing Council, Inc (SAFHC) will use its grant to conduct preliminary investigations of fair housing claims through various investigative methods, including conduct systemic investigations, resident surveys, rental tests, sales tests, and lending tests. These initiatives will take place in 35 counties in South Texas (Atascosa, Bandera, Brooks, Cameron, Comal, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kinney, Kleberg, LaSalle, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Real, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Zapata, and Zavala counties).

VERMONT

Burlington

**Vermont Legal Aid, Inc.
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Component - \$324,987.00**

Vermont Legal Aid (VLA) will use its grant to conduct a full service, coordinated and comprehensive fair housing program of testing, targeted private enforcement actions, broad systemic investigation, engagement with the land use and transportation planning process, and collaborative efforts to raise public awareness of housing discrimination in Vermont, including public education and advocacy in the State legislature and administrative agencies and in the media.

VIRGINIA

Charlottesville

**Piedmont Housing Alliance
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$62,757.00**

Piedmont Housing Alliance (PHA) will use its grant to support its Regional Fair Housing Education and Outreach Program. Activities will include: education sessions, including an annual fair housing forum including general public and audience specific (immigrants, LEP, rural, homeless, and disabled persons) sessions; education about fair housing for home seekers and realtors; education on fair housing for people with disabilities, and participation in Livable for a Lifetime, a group promoting universal design in homes and communities; and community outreach opportunities, including meetings with community partners, print, radio, and TV advertisements, articles, website/social media, outreach with faith-based organizations in the African-American and Latino communities, community event displays, regional advisory group meetings, and provision of complaint intake and compliance information.

WASHINGTON

Spokane

**Northwest Fair Housing Alliance
Private Enforcement Initiative – Performance Based
Component - \$325,000.00**

Northwest Fair Housing Alliance (NWFHA) will use its grant to provide services for all protected classes in 17 counties in Eastern/Central Washington through outreach, counseling, intake, complaint referral to HUD and onsite paired rental, sales, and lending testing. NWFHA will conduct specific programs for underserved or frequently targeted populations of housing discrimination: a familial status rental audit (paired onsite rental tests); telephone accent tests and onsite national origin rental audit tests; on site race rental audit tests; TTY telephone rental tests and onsite accessibility audits. In addition, NWFHA will request reasonable accommodations.

**Northwest Fair Housing Alliance
Education and Outreach Initiative – Lending
Component - \$124,999.00**

Northwest Fair Housing Alliance (NWFHA) will use grant funds to expand its Fair Lending Unit education and outreach efforts. Activities will include: presenting an updated community awareness curriculum at workshops for housing counselors, social service providers, and policy makers to increase regional capacity to identify and address unfair lending discrimination and make complaint referrals to NWFHA for investigation; providing fair lending trainings for mortgage loan originators; developing a fair lending curriculum for realtors for Washington DOL approval; modifying existing Washington DOL approved live fair housing curriculum for distance learning delivery; distributing fair lending and mortgage rescue scam avoidance materials; updating brochures and the organization's website; and undertaking a public service announcement campaign, producing and airing 3, 30-second fair lending education television commercials.

Tacoma

**Fair Housing Center of Washington
Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year
Funding Component - \$325,000.00**

The Fair Housing Center of Washington will use its grant to contribute to HUD's core goals and policy priorities. Activities will include: intake, investigation and filing of housing discrimination complaints; assist with reasonable accommodation/ modification requests; recruit testers and conduct tests; conduct systemic audits; provide fair housing education and outreach to faith- and community-based homeless shelters and new immigrants, and training to housing consumers and providers; produce written materials in multiple languages, conduct trainings at an annual conference and develop webcast training for elected officials and key planning/policy staff; hold an annual fair housing summit for Region X FHIP Qualified Fair Housing Organizations; collaborate on a Fair Housing Month conference, a statewide newsletter, and other fair housing events.

WEST VIRGINIA

Morgantown

Northern West Virginia Center For Independent Living Fair Housing Organization Initiative – Continued Development Component - \$143,571.00

The Northern West Virginia Center For Independent Living (NWVCIL) will use its grant to mitigate West Virginia's lack of fair housing enforcement and advocacy and address systemic discrimination in design and construction of multifamily housing. The Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh (FHP), a qualified experienced fair housing organization, will provide NWVCIL the technical assistance needed to conduct tests based on disability, race, national origin, and familial status across West Virginia. These tests will uncover the presence of discrimination, assist individuals who are experiencing discrimination, and allow NWVCIL to document and analyze patterns of discrimination to assist communities to AFFH.

WISCONSIN

Milwaukee

Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council Private Enforcement Initiative – Lending Component - \$311,322.00

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC) will use its grant to conduct enforcement activities to identify and eliminate discriminatory housing practices by the lending industry in five Wisconsin counties. Activities will include: conducting a multi-jurisdictional systemic investigation of racial discrimination in the maintenance and marketing of real estate owned (REO) properties in Metropolitan Milwaukee and Dane County to eliminate discriminatory practices by the lending industry and expand housing opportunities and locational choice; referring complaints to HUD, other administrative agencies, and/or attorneys to increase enforcement actions and eliminate illegal housing discrimination; and conducting community outreach to homeowners, neighborhood associations, city officials, and other stakeholders affected by REO-related lending practices to apprise them of investigation results and combat illegal housing discrimination.

Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council Private Enforcement Initiative – Multi-Year Component - \$322,629.00

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC) will use its grant to conduct statewide enforcement activities to identify and eliminate discriminatory housing practices.

Activities will include multi-jurisdictional investigations of racial discrimination against African Americans and persons with disabilities; statewide intake, investigation and case management of fair housing complaints; partnering with a statewide disability advocacy agency to conduct technical assistance and referral of complaints; partnering with nonprofit organizations to recruit testers and assist in other fair housing activities; cross-programmatic training for HUD and other public enforcement agencies investigating complaints; referring complaints to HUD, other administrative agencies and/or attorneys.

**Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council
Education and Outreach Initiative – General
Component - \$124,814.00**

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC) will use its funds to conduct innovative education and outreach activities to affirmatively further fair housing throughout Wisconsin. Each quarter of the grant will be devoted to one of the following distinct segments of the community: local organizations and agencies within the community, local public officials and recipients of block grant funding, religious congregations and faith-based organizations, institutions of higher learning, and the housing industry. Each audience will receive services tailored to meet its specific needs. To maximize information to these audiences, MMFHC will participate in statewide housing conferences and develop PSAs in English, Spanish, and Hmong for radio and television stations throughout its 9-county service area.