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and Urban Development

Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis Research Grant Program

FR-6900-N-29R

Applications are due by 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Time on 07/24/2025.

Policy Development and Research

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BEFORE YOU BEGIN

If you believe you are a good candidate for this funding opportunity, register in the appropriate systems now and review the application package. If you are already registered, make sure your registration is active and up-to-date.

SAM.gov Registration

You must have an active and up-to-date account with [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov), at the time of application and throughout the life of any award.

To register, go to [SAM.gov Entity Registration](https://sam.gov) and click Get Started. From the same page, you can also click on the Entity Registration Checklist for the information you will need to register.

It can take several weeks to register in [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov), so please get started now if you are planning to apply. [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) also provides each organization with a unique entity identifier (UEI). A valid UEI is required to apply for funding.

Grants.gov Registration

You must have an active [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov) registration. This requires a [Login.gov](https://login.gov) registration as well. See step-by-step instructions at the [Grants .gov Quick Start Guide for Applicants](#). You must apply for funding using [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), unless HUD has approved your [waiver request](#).

See [Section VI.B](#). Submission Methods.

Find the Application Package

Use the Grants Search at [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov) and search for opportunity number FR-6900-N-29R . The application package has all the online forms you need to apply. You also need to access the Download Instructions link and review the content before you apply.

If you have other technical difficulties using [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), access the Support Center on [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov) for assistance.

To get updates on changes to this notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), click Subscribe from the View Grant Opportunity page for this NOFO on [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov).

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HUD Listserv

If you are interested in email notices about upcoming funding opportunities, subscribe to [HUD's Funding Opportunities listserv](#).

Note: To help you find what you need, this NOFO uses internal links. In Adobe Reader, you can go back to where you were by pressing Alt + Left Arrow (Windows) or Command + Left Arrow (Mac) on your keyboard.

I. BASIC INFORMATION

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Federal Agency Name:
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

HUD Program Office:
Policy Development and Research

Announcement Type:
Initial

Program Type:
Discretionary

Paperwork Reduction Act Information:
2501-0044

Due Date for Intergovernmental Review:
See [Section VI.C.1.](#)

Key Facts
Opportunity Name:
Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis Research Grant Program
Opportunity Number:
FR-6900-N-29R
Federal Assistance Listing:
14.506

Key Dates
Application Due Date:
11:59:59 PM Eastern Time on:
07/24/2025
Anticipated Award Date:
09/15/2025
Estimated Performance Period Start Date:
10/01/2025
Estimated Performance Period End Date:
09/30/2028

1. NOFO Summary

Addressing the Housing Affordability Crisis Research Grant Program provides competitive awards to [eligible applicants](#), including institutions of higher education, nonprofit, and for-profit institutions. Awards made through this NOFO fund quality research projects that: (1) contribute to knowledge about the housing affordability crisis in the United States; and (2) generate actionable insights and evidence that can inform policy decisions to address the housing affordability crisis in the short-term. Research projects funded via this NOFO must also contribute to the [Program's purpose](#) and [Eligible Research Categories](#).

HUD expects to execute cooperative agreements with [eligible applicants](#) selected for awards made under this NOFO. As such, [HUD substantial involvement](#) is expected. HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) will provide the necessary involvement and oversight for the awards.

2. Funding Details

Type of Funding Instrument

CA (Cooperative Agreement)

Available Funds

Funding of approximately **\$10,000,000** is available through this NOFO.

Additional funds may become available for award. Use of these funds is subject to statutory constraints. All awards are subject to the selection process contained in this NOFO.

Funding of approximately \$10,000,000 includes fiscal year 2024 funds and fiscal year 2025 funds.

Number of Awards

HUD expects to make approximately 10 awards from the funds available under this NOFO. HUD anticipates making a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 40 awards. The minimum award amount is \$250,000 and the maximum award amount is \$2,000,000.

Length of Performance Period:

Other

Length of Periods Explanation:

You should select a period of performance that aligns with your proposed project. The period of performance will vary by project based on the level of complexity and the proposed methodology. In selecting a period of performance, you should consider activities that typically cause delays, such as data acquisition or collection. The minimum period of performance is 12-months and the maximum period of performance is 36-months.

B. Agency Contact(s)

See [Contact and Support](#) section of this NOFO.

II. ELIGIBILITY

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A. Eligible Applicants

B. Cost Sharing or Matching

II. ELIGIBILITY

You are invited to apply if your organization is an eligible entity type and meets the funding conditions included in the NOFO. HUD will review applications from eligible applicants using the criteria in [Section V. of this NOFO](#).

A. Eligible Applicants

1. Eligible Entity Types:

06 (Public and State controlled institutions of higher education)

12 (Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education)

13 (Nonprofits without 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education)

20 (Private institutions of higher education)

22 (For profit organizations other than small businesses)

23 (Small businesses)

Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs)

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)

Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs)

Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions (ANNH)

Additional Information on Eligibility

[Faith-based organizations](#) may apply on the same basis as any other organization. [HUD does not engage in any unlawful and improper conduct, policies, or practices that target faith-based organizations.](#)

Individuals are ineligible applicants.

To confirm your eligibility as an applicant with nonprofit status, HUD will use data from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

2. Restrictions

a. Statutory and Regulatory Requirements Affecting Eligibility

You must comply with the current [General Statutory and Regulatory Requirements Affecting Eligibility for HUD's Competitive Programs](#). HUD will review your eligibility before issuing an award. As part of this review, HUD uses [SAM.gov](#) and Department of Treasury data.

b. Application Eligibility

Your application is considered for funding if it satisfies the application review requirements in [Section V. of this NOFO](#).

B. Cost Sharing or Matching

This Program does not require [cost sharing or matching](#).

III. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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III. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A. Purpose

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support research projects that will build knowledge and advance policy solutions related to the following five research categories:

- Government-induced Demand and Housing Affordability
- Immigration and Housing Affordability
- The Financialization of Housing and Housing Affordability
- Economic Opportunity Cost and Housing Affordability
- Opportunity Zones

The research funded under this opportunity will expand our understanding of the drivers of the housing affordability crisis in the United States and generate actionable insights and evidence that can inform policy decisions at the local, state, and Federal level. HUD/PD&R is particularly interested in projects that will produce initial products, such as summaries of preliminary findings, research briefs, or policy action toolkits, within the first 12 months of the grant in order to influence policy and programs in a timely manner. Research projects may have a maximum period of performance of up to three years, but projects with a period of performance that extends beyond one year should be structured such that there are annual deliverables documenting progress and initial findings.

HUD substantial involvement. HUD expects to execute cooperative agreements with selected applicants under this NOFO. As such, the following examples of HUD substantial involvement is expected:

- Review and final approval of the overall project management plan.
- Review and final approval of the research design, which may include data collection protocols, data collection instruments, and analytic plans.
- Review and approval of any written materials documenting research results.
- Support in identifying available and relevant data assets and facilitating access to select data assets, where feasible.
- Regularly scheduled meetings to discuss project progress.
- Review and approval of any changes in key personnel or employment of any external consultants.

B. Goals and Objectives

This funding opportunity will help advance the Executive Order published on January 20, 2025 titled [Delivering Emergency Price Relief for American Families and Defeating the Cost-of-Living Crisis](#), which directs Federal agencies to “pursue appropriate actions to: lower the cost of housing and expand housing supply...” among other goals. Research supported under this funding opportunity will (1) contribute to knowledge about the housing affordability crisis in the United States; and (2) generate actionable insights and evidence that can inform

policy decisions to address the housing affordability crisis in the short-term.

Consistent with the Executive Order published on April 23, 2025 titled [White House initiative to Promote Excellence and Innovation at Historically Black Colleges and Universities](#) (HBCUs), which establishes as policy that HBCUs obtain “equal opportunities for participation in Federal Programs,” HBCUs are strongly encouraged to apply for these funds.

You should become familiar with all other applicable current and future Executive Orders, a listing of which is found [here](#).

C. Authority

This program is authorized by Sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. §1701z-1 and §1701z-2) and funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42, approved March 9, 2024) and the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119-4, approved March 15, 2025).

D. Unallowable Costs

Funds may not be used for a doctoral dissertation research grant program. The recipient or subrecipient must not earn or keep any profit. An organization may not evaluate or conduct research of itself. HUD will determine whether the salary rates are reasonable, customary for the skill set provided and the tasks to be conducted, and in accordance with federal legal requirements.

Lease or rental of space for any activities supported through this NOFO is allowed only under the following conditions:

- The lease must be for existing facilities not requiring rehabilitation or construction except for minimal alterations to make the facilities accessible for a person with disabilities;
- No repairs or renovations of the property may be undertaken with funds from this NOFO; and
- Properties in the Coastal Barrier Resources System designated under the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501) cannot be leased or rented with federal funds.

E. Indirect Costs

If you expect to charge [indirect costs](#) to the award, submit the Indirect Cost Rate Certification form (HUD-426) with your application.

F. Program History

This is a new funding opportunity.

G. Other Information

You should clearly indicate which research category fits your proposed project.

Eligible Research Categories

Research Category 1 – Government-induced Demand and Housing Affordability.

Overarching research questions: What aspects of federal, state, and local government policy are impacting housing demand? To what extent do those policies impact home purchase and the cost to rent a home?

Housing affordability remains at crisis levels despite record federal spending on various types of housing assistance. This research will focus on the key drivers of housing demand, with a particular focus on the role of public policy in driving housing demand. Proposals may cover a range of government-driven demand factors, preferably including, but not limited to: immigration, loose monetary policy, supply-side and demand-side housing subsidies, federal backing of mortgages, downpayment assistance, the mortgage interest deduction, inclusionary zoning, and benefit programs that disincentivize marriage. Proposals must include a specific focus on quantifying how these policies drive housing demand and thus housing prices, and proposals based on causal experimental evidence are especially preferred. Proposals should seek to determine whether moderating government-driven demand is a more feasible method of addressing the housing affordability crisis than attempting to increase supply, since housing demand is more elastic than housing supply, and may include specific policy recommendations for moderating housing demand as a method of addressing the housing crisis. Outputs from this research may include short-term action plans to remedy any distortions found, as well as policy recommendations for federal, state, and local governments to address the consequences of government policies that drive up housing demand faster than supply can keep up.

Research Category 2 –Immigration and Housing Affordability.

Overarching research question: How has immigration impacted home sales prices and the cost of rent?

Recent years have seen record increases in immigration to the United States. Between 2021 and 2024^[1], the foreign-born population of the United States increased by more than 6 million – the largest such increase over such a short period in American history. The foreign-born population now stands at more than 53 million, making up the highest share of the American population since the 1920s^[2]. Indications are that this large population influx has caused significant increases in housing demand, and thus likely has resulted in worsening housing affordability. This research category seeks proposals that explore how immigration has impacted home sales prices and the cost of rental housing. Specific areas of interest include, but are not limited to: 1) quantifying the impact of immigration on housing affordability, including both rents and home prices, 2) determining with precision the percentage of HUD rent-assisted households and FHA-insured borrowers that are eligible and ineligible non-citizens, broken down in detail by immigration status, and 3) developing methods for immigration policymaking which incorporate housing policymakers. Outputs from this research may include a policy action toolkit that clearly highlights the impact of immigration on housing affordability and includes solutions.

^[1] <https://cis.org/Report/ForeignBorn-Population-Grew-51-Million-Last-Two-Years>

^[2] <https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/2024/demo/acsbr-019.pdf>.

Research Category 3 - The Financialization of Housing and Housing Affordability.

Overarching research questions: Who are the investors in housing and how does the treatment of real estate as an investment, and not just as a place people live, impact home sales prices and the cost to rent? How does investor holding of property off market impact housing affordability?

Housing is not just a place to live, but it also serves as a financial asset. Individual and institutional investors account for a significant portion of the real estate market, comprising roughly 25% of total sales^[1]. This research category seeks proposals that explore who these investors are and efforts to quantify the causes and impact of withholding such real estate investments from the housing market. Specific areas of interest include, but are not limited to: 1) Analyzing and quantifying the impact of the use of housing and land as a speculative investment, by both individuals and institutions, on housing affordability, 2) Quantifying the prevalence of owner occupancy fraud (i.e., investors posing as owner-occupants) and its impact on housing affordability and availability of mortgage credit, and 3) Quantifying the prevalence of purchases of American land or property by foreign entities or individuals and its impact on housing affordability. Outputs from this research may include a policy action toolkit that provides clear information on the impact, and policy solutions to mitigate any negative impact discovered.

^[1] <https://www.cotality.com/insights/articles/mom-and-pop-investors-shape-housing-market#:~:text=Share%20this%20article,and%20home%20prices%20remain%20high>

Research Category 4 –Economic Opportunity Cost and Housing Affordability.

Overarching research question: How has the use of wealth attributable to home equity increased or decreased other economic investments?

The use of one's home as a primary vehicle for building wealth is an established American practice, backed by public policy through federally subsidized homeownership, including support of mortgage credit markets through federal loan programs, government-sponsored enterprises, and the mortgage interest income tax deduction. There has been limited empirical analysis on the opportunity cost of these policies. Specifically, if Americans spent less on housing, they would have more money available to spend on other productive activities, such as starting one's own business, furthering one's education, investing in other assets, or putting that money back into the economy through consumer spending. Additionally, if credit markets included less preference for mortgages, financing could flow to other sectors that may offer greater social or economic benefit. This research category seeks proposals that can quantify the opportunity cost of federally subsidized homeownership and compare the cost to the benefit. Research proposals may also include an analysis of the impact of 30-year mortgage and explore alternatives which may be more financially advantageous for building wealth.

Research Category 5- Opportunity Zones.

Overarching research question: In what ways are Opportunity Zones (OZ) impacting housing development or economic revitalization in designated tracts?

Opportunity Zones (OZs) are an economic development initiative to encourage investment in low-income areas through the deferral or reduction in taxes on capital gains invested in Qualified Opportunity Zone property. Studies on the initiative have attempted to investigate

the outcomes of Opportunity Zone designation on residential real estate (including transactions, prices, and housing starts), commercial real estate and investments, jobs and establishments, and socioeconomic characteristics of residents, primarily through a difference-in-differences approach comparing Qualified Opportunity Zones and eligible, but undesignated, OZs. HUD is interested in research examining the impacts of Opportunity Zone investments, which can be either direct or indirect impacts, with an understanding that the impacts may not yet be fully realized. This may include descriptive research to better understand Qualified Opportunity Funds and their motivations and goals, and OZ investors and the projects they are investing in. HUD is also interested in understanding which OZs have been targeted for investment and the timing of investments over the ten-year investment period, to inform any future economic development or revitalization policies or programs.

Eligible Activities

Eligible activities under this funding opportunity include all research, regulatory, and project management activities that contribute to meeting the objectives with a high degree of quality.

Eligible activities include, but are not limited to:

- All research activities required to complete the proposed project, including: the development of a research design, data collection and analysis plan; outreach and communication efforts related to the execution of the research project; data collection and analysis, including data acquisition; development of written products, such as research briefs/reports or policy toolkits; and the communication of findings to stakeholders.
- Engagement with subject matter experts on any aspect of the project, as needed, to bring expertise to enhance the research team's knowledge in critical areas.
- Training or capacity-building activities related to project implementation, including attendance at, and/or participation in, relevant conferences.
- Meeting regulatory requirements for research, such as the engagement of an Institutional Review Board to review and approve data collection instruments and the development of Informed Consent materials for study participants, if needed.
- Project management activities, including required project management tools (Opening Meeting, Management and Work Plan and Budget, Quality Control Plan, and Quarterly Progress Reports) and regular communication with HUD staff on all project deliverables.
- Travel, as required, to carry out the project as designed.
- Dissemination of research findings to stakeholders, including attendance at relevant conferences.

Deliverables

HUD cooperative agreements require certain activities and deliverables as part of award and project management.

Award management activities and deliverables include:

- Opening Meeting: a meeting with HUD staff to review the terms and conditions of the award.
- Quality Control Plan: a written document that outlines the awardee's proposed approach to quality control of all research activities and written deliverables to be produced over the period of performance.
- Management & Work Plan: a written document that outlines the expected workflow for the project over the period of performance, providing a project timeline, the allocation of staff and other resources to each task, and a strategy to address any potential challenges to completing the project on time and within budget.
- Quarterly Progress Reports: a narrative summary of accomplishments of the awardee over the prior quarter, discussion of any deviations from the initial schedule of progress, and a summary of how those deviations impact the project and how the Grantee recommends handling the deviation. Documentation of work completed during the prior quarter should align with financial reporting submitted in the same quarter, including any invoices submitted to draw down funding from the award.
- Final Narrative Report: a report documenting the final breakdown of overall award spending over the full period of performance.

Project management activities and deliverables include:

- Research Design: a technical blueprint that outlines how the funded research project will be conducted, including the key research question, a strategy for accessing/collecting any necessary data, proposed analytic methods, and an outline of proposed deliverables.
- Draft and Final Product: the culmination of the overall research effort. The final product generated under the award will be dependent upon the project. Any final written deliverables must be of publication quality and thoroughly describe the research objectives, the methodology, the study limitations, and the findings.
- Final Briefing: a virtual briefing of the study findings for HUD staff at the conclusion of the project.

PD&R's grants management staff and the Governmental Technical Representative (GTR) for the cooperative agreement will work closely with awardees to further define deliverables during the project. Final work products must be well-written and adhere to plain language principles. The final research report must be of publishable quality and conform to PD&R's [Guidelines on Preparing a Report for Publication](#). All final work products must be compliant with § 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d). HUD anticipates publishing the final research deliverable(s) on our website at www.huduser.gov. Following submission of the final report, PD&R encourages grantees to seek additional outlets for publishing and communicating research findings.

IV. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

IV. Application Contents and Forms

A. Standard Forms, Assurances, and Certifications

B. Budget

C. Narratives and Non-Form Attachments

D. Other Application Content

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Applications must include three main elements: a) standard forms, assurances, and certifications; b) budget; and c) narratives and other attachments. The content, forms, and format for each element are included in this section.

You may use this section as a checklist to ensure you submit a complete application.

If you don't provide the required documents in the correct format, your application is incomplete.

Do not submit password protected or encrypted files.

Element	Submission Form
Standard Forms, Assurances, and Certifications	Upload using each required form.
Budget	Use the required budget form.
Narratives and Other Attachments	Insert each in the Attachments form.

35 pages is the total maximum length of all narratives.

Double spaced 12-point Times New Roman font on letter sized paper (8 1/2 x 11 inches) with at least 1-inch margins on all sides.

The total page limit for all materials submitted under "Narratives and Other Attachments" may not exceed 35 pages. See [section IV.C.](#) for specific page limits for each narrative and other attachments.

A. Standard Forms, Assurances, and Certifications

You must properly complete and submit with your application the standard forms, assurances, and certifications identified below. You can find all forms in the application package or review them and their instructions at [Grants.gov Forms](#). You can also [read more about standard forms](#) on HUD's Funding Opportunities page.

Forms/Assurances/Certifications	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)	Required with application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: SF-424
Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications (HUD 424-B)	Required with application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: HUD-424B

Forms/Assurances/Certifications	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)	Required with application, if applicable	Page limit: Not applicable File name: SF-LLL
Certification Regarding Lobbying	Required with application	Page limit: Not applicable File Name: Certificate
Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update (HUD 2880)	Required with application and after award	Page limit: Not applicable File Name: HUD-2880

B. Budget

You must submit with your application the following budget-related information to support your project narrative: 1) the Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet (HUD-424-CBW); 2) the Indirect Cost Information Certification (HUD-426); and 3) the budget narrative, as described below in [Section IV.C](#). At a minimum, your budget must indicate direct and any indirect costs.

Budget Form/Document	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet (HUD-424-CBW)	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: HUD-424CBW Form location: download instructions
Indirect Cost Information Certification (HUD-426)	If applicable, this document is required with the application and after award	Page limit: Not applicable File name: ICR Doc. Form location: download instructions Additional information: see form and Section III.E .

C. Narratives and Other Attachments

If applicable, you must upload narrative and other attachments in [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) using the Attachments Form. When using the Attachments Form, you can upload PDF, Word or Excel formats.

Document	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Project Abstract	Required with the application	Page limit: 1 File name: Project Abstract Additional information below
Narrative Response to Rating Factors	Required with the application	Page limit: 15 pages File name: Project Narrative Additional information below and see Section V.B
Budget Narrative	Required with the application	Page limit: 3 pages File name: Budget Narrative Additional information below
Resume/Biosketch Appendix	Required with the application	Page limit: 6 pages File name: Resumes Additional information below
References Appendix	Required with the application	Page limit: 2 pages File name: References Additional information below
Letters of Commitment	Required with the application, if applicable	Page limit: 6 pages File name: Letters Additional information below
Code of Conduct	If not included in HUD's eLibrary , this document is required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: Code Acceptable Content

In addition to the requirements above, the following additional information applies to the "Narratives and Other Attachments." Take note of the page limit for each item.

- Project Abstract
 - A plain language description of the overall project, not to exceed 1 page, including the project title, the research category under which the project fits, the key research question(s), the proposed timeline and key deliverables, and the total budget request.

- Narrative Response to Rating Factors
 - A statement, not to exceed 15 pages, that addresses each rating factor described in [Section V.B.1.](#) of this NOFO.
- Budget Narrative
 - An explanation, not to exceed 3 pages, of how the requested budget will support the completion of the proposed research project.
- Resume/Biosketch Appendix
 - Resumes or biosketches for up to 3 key personnel identified in Rating Factor 3 (see [Section V.B.1.](#) of the NOFO) may be submitted. Each resume or biosketch must not exceed two pages.
 - At a minimum, the appendix must include the resume or biosketch for both the proposed Principal Investigator (PI) and Project Director of the project.
- References Appendix
 - At least two references from prior funders that could attest to the applicant's performance on any relevant and recent (within five years) research projects.
 - The references should include a name and contact information for the funder and a brief summary of the project that is being referenced as a relevant and recent example of prior work.
- Letters of Commitment
 - If consultants or subcontractors are proposed as key personnel on the project, a letter of commitment from each named individual must be submitted as evidence of their commitment to the project. See Rating Factor 3 of [Section V.B.1.](#) of the NOFO.

D. Other Application Content

Should HUD offer a lower award amount than you requested, and you choose to accept it, you must submit revised versions of your proposal, budget, and budget narrative, along with a summary of changes, by a deadline set by HUD. HUD will then review these revisions and decide if any further information or changes to the award terms are needed. If you fail to provide the requested information, HUD will not issue the award and may choose another applicant.

V. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

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V. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

A. Threshold Review

HUD reviews each application to make sure it meets the following threshold requirements. If you meet all threshold requirements, your application will advance to a merit review. If you fail to meet one or more threshold requirements, your application is not eligible for HUD funding.

1. Eligible Applicant

You must meet the applicant eligibility criteria in this NOFO. Applications from ineligible applicants are not rated or ranked and will not receive HUD funding.

2. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters

Applicants with outstanding, unresolved judgments against them for violations of civil rights laws must resolve those judgments before the application submission deadline or the applicant will be deemed ineligible.

a. An applicant is ineligible for funding if the applicant has received notice of a judgment imposed against them for violations of:

1. the Fair Housing Act or a substantially equivalent state or local fair housing law for discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familial status; or
2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Americans with Disabilities Act, or the Violence Against Women Act or substantially equivalent state or local laws.

b. HUD will determine if actions to resolve the judgment taken before the application deadline date will resolve the matter. Examples of actions that may be sufficient to resolve the matter include, but are not limited to:

1. Current compliance with a voluntary compliance agreement signed by all the parties;
2. Current compliance with a HUD-approved conciliation agreement signed by all the parties;
3. Current compliance with a conciliation agreement signed by all the parties and approved by the state governmental or local administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter;
4. Current compliance with a consent order or consent decree; or
5. Current compliance with a final judicial ruling or administrative ruling or decision.

3. Timely Submission of Applications

Late applications are not eligible for funding. See deadlines in [Section VI of this NOFO](#).

4. Requested Funding Level.

Applicants seeking an award amount that is below the minimum award amount (\$250,000) or

above the maximum award amount (\$2,000,000) will be deemed ineligible.

B. Merit Review

HUD expects to evaluate and score your application using the following merit criteria and process. Merit reviewers evaluate and score all applications that pass the threshold review. Merit reviewers may include Federal and non-Federal persons. Reviewers receive a copy of your application to evaluate and score each application separately.

Merit Review Summary

Criterion	Total number of points = 100
Rating Factor 1: Contribution of the Proposed Research	20 points
Rating Factor 2: Soundness of Approach	30 points
Rating Factor 3: Capacity of the Team	20 points
Rating Factor 4: Project Management	20 points
Rating Factor 5: Budget Reasonableness	10 points
Total	100 points

The maximum number of points that can be awarded to any proposal is 100. No preference points are available under this NOFO. The minimum score for an application to be considered for funding is 70 points. Your research project proposal must include a response to each of the following five rating factors detailed below.

1. Rating Factors

Your application must include a response to the following criteria.

Rating Factors Details

Criterion	Max points = 100
Rating Factor 1: Contribution of the Proposed Research	20 max points
The proposed research project must align with one of the five research categories specified under the section titled <u>Eligible Research Categories</u> in Section III.G of this NOFO. The narrative must clearly articulate a research question, or questions, that will be the focus of the research effort. The proposal must describe the importance of the proposed research and its potential to address an identified issue, challenge, or gap in the existing body of knowledge in the relevant topic area. The narrative should describe the potential for the research to generate benefits beyond the immediate scope of the project and should explain how the findings could support broader applications, contribute to policy or program design, or enhance policy or program implementation strategies. The applicant should describe how the research will advance understanding of, or the effectiveness of, Federal, state, and/or local policies and programs. For projects that will extend beyond a 12-month period of performance, applicants must describe how the proposed research could be translated into practice within the first year, and what interim deliverables, such as summaries of preliminary findings, research briefs, or policy action toolkits, would be produced in order to influence	

policy and programs in a timely manner.

Rating Factor 2: Soundness of Approach

30 max points

The narrative must describe the methodology the research team proposes to use to answer the identified research question(s). The narrative should provide:

- A clear connection between the research question and the data proposed to be collected or analyzed to address the research question.
- A description of the proposed research methods. The applicant should clearly explain and justify the specific methods proposed, including a description of the data sources to be accessed or collected, an assessment of the limitations of any secondary data sources to be accessed, and a description of how the proposed data source is appropriate for answering the research questions.
- An analysis plan that is methodologically reasonable and appropriate for the data being collected and the research question(s) being addressed.
- If applicable to the proposed methodology, a description of how the research team intends to collect and manage sensitive data from individuals while protecting privacy and complying with all relevant rules and regulations related to the protection of the rights and welfare of human research subjects.
- An approach for presenting the results of the study in a comprehensive, impactful, and timely way. The approach should describe the deliverables or products to be produced over the course of the research effort.

Rating Factor 3: Capacity of the Research Team

20 max points

The narrative must describe the project staffing anticipated for the proposed project. Applicants will be evaluated based on the extent to which the project staffing demonstrates relevant experience for the proposed project and the ability to carry out the required tasks. Staff assigned to different tasks should have the relevant skills and abilities to fulfill the tasks they will perform. Key personnel are defined as up to three individuals who will have primary responsibility related to managing or carrying out the proposed work. The key personnel must be identified in the proposal and must include, at a minimum, the Principal Investigator and Project Director. Key personnel may be in-house staff, sub-recipients, and/or consultants for whom a contract or agreement already exists. If consultants or subcontractors are proposed as key personnel, a letter of commitment from the named individual must be submitted as evidence of their commitment to the project. Letters of commitment will not be counted towards the 15-page narrative page limit.

To demonstrate the capacity of the research team, each research project proposal must include an appendix with resumes or biosketches (each with a 2-page maximum) for up to three key personnel identified in the proposal. Additionally, the applicant must submit a separate appendix containing at least two references from funders who could attest to the

applicant's performance, including any individuals identified as key personnel, on any relevant and recent (within the past five years) research projects. The references should include name and contact information and a brief summary of the project. These appendices do not count towards the 15-page narrative page limit.

Rating Factor 4: Project Management

20 max points

The narrative must describe the overarching plan for managing the work necessary to carry out the proposed project within the allotted resources and within the proposed timeframe. The narrative should present a clear, practical, and forward-looking plan to accomplish the proposed project. As such, the narrative should include a staffing chart showing the allocation of resources for this project by presenting total person hours for each of the key personnel by year by project task. The proposed work plan must clearly explain how the applicant will manage these activities, including the anticipated approach to:

- Managing communication with HUD staff, including providing quarterly progress reports;
- Establishing a timeline for the completion of the research effort, including start dates, completion dates, and other major milestones for each task and subtask;
- Ensuring overall project quality control and identifying points in the schedule where a quality control lapse is most likely to occur, and the impact on deliverables to HUD; and
- Resolving issues or overcoming obstacles that may affect progress.

Rating Factor 5: Budget Reasonableness

10 max points

This factor will be assessed based on a review of three items: (1) the proposed project scope and timeline, (2) the Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet (HUD Form 424-CBW), and (3) the Budget Narrative. The Budget Narrative should explain how the requested budget will support the completion of the proposed research project. These three items must be aligned and reasonably support the completion of the proposed project within the proposed timeline.

3. Other Factors

Your application must respond to the following other additional criteria.

a. Budget

The panel will review but not approve the budget. The panel will assess whether the budget aligns with planned program activities and objectives. Panel members will consider whether the budget and the requested performance period are fully justified and reasonable in relation

to the proposed project.

C. Risk Review

Before making an award, HUD will evaluate each applicant's likelihood of successfully implementing an award based on the following criteria.

- OMB-designated repositories of governmentwide data, as noted in [2 CFR 200.206\(a\)](#)
- Other public sources such as newspapers, Inspector General or Government Accountability Office reports or findings, or other complaints that have been proven to have merit
- Financial stability
- Quality of management systems and ability to meet the management standards prescribed in 2 CFR part 200
- History of performance. The applicant's record in managing Federal awards, if it is a prior recipient of Federal awards, including timeliness of compliance with applicable reporting requirements, failing to make significant progress in a timely manner, failing to meet planned activities in a timely manner, conformance to the terms and conditions of previous Federal awards, and, if applicable, the extent to which any previously awarded amounts will be expended prior to future awards
- Reports and findings from audits performed under 2 CFR part 200, subpart F—Audit Requirements or the reports and findings of any other available audits
- The applicant's ability to effectively implement statutory, regulatory, or other requirements imposed on non-Federal entities
- Capacity of the applicant, including staffing structures and capabilities
- History of timely completion of activities and receipt and expenditure of promised matching or leveraged funds
- Ability to produce positive outcomes and results

HUD may use the results of the risk review to make funding decisions and to apply award conditions.

D. Selection Process

When making funding decisions, HUD will consider:

- Eligibility requirements, including threshold review results.
- Merit review results.
- Risk review results.

To the extent allowed by law, HUD may:

- Fund applications in whole or in part.
- Fund applications at a lower amount than requested.
- Choose to fund no applications under this NOFO.
- Adjust funding for an application, to ensure funding or geographic dispersion, and alignment with program or administrative priorities.
- Withdraw an award offer and make an offer of funding to another eligible application, if terms and conditions are not finalized or met.
- Use additional funds made available after NOFO publication to either fully fund an application or fund additional applications.
- Correct HUD review and selection errors. If HUD commits an error that causes an applicant not to be selected, HUD may make an award to that applicant when and if funding is available.
- Release another NOFO, if funding is available and if HUD does not receive applications of merit.

E. Award Notices

If you are successful, HUD will email an award notice to the authorized official representative from the SF-424. HUD will also notify unsuccessful applicants.

The award notice communicates the amount of the award, important dates, and the terms and conditions you need to follow. HUD may impose specific conditions on an award as provided under [2 CFR 200.208](#).

You agree to the award terms and conditions by either drawing funds from HUD's payment system or signing the agreement with HUD. If you do not agree to the award terms and conditions, HUD may select another eligible applicant.

VI. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

VI. Submissions Requirements and Deadlines

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VI. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

You must apply electronically. See [Find the Application Package](#) to make sure you have everything you need to apply online. See [Application Waiver](#) if you qualify to submit a paper application.

Make sure you are current with [SAM.gov](#) and UEI requirements before applying for the award. See the [Before You Begin](#) section of this NOFO.

A. Deadlines

1. Application submission deadline:

The application deadline is 11:59:59 PM Eastern time on:

07/24/2025

HUD must receive your application by the deadline. Applications received after the deadline are late. Late applications are not eligible for HUD funding.

If HUD receives more than one application from you, HUD will review only the last submission.

HUD may extend an application due date based on emergency situations such as Presidentially-declared natural disasters. Improper or expired registration and password issues are not causes to allow HUD to accept applications after the deadline date.

2. Grace Period for Grants.gov Submissions

If [Grants.gov](#) rejects your application before the deadline, you have up to 24 hours after the application deadline to correct and resubmit your application. Any application submitted during the grace period but not received and validated by Grants.gov will not be considered for funding. There is no grace period for paper applications.

B. Submission Methods

1. Electronic Submission

You must register and submit your application through [Grants.gov](#). See [Before You Begin](#).

For instructions on how to submit in [Grants.gov](#), see the [Quick Start Guide for Applicants](#). Make sure that your application passes the [Grants.gov](#) validation checks or we may not get it.

[Grants.gov](#) will record the date and time of your application submission. HUD will use this information to determine timely applications.

Need Help? See the [Contact and Support](#) section of this NOFO.

2. Electronic Submission Application Waiver

You may request a waiver from the requirement to submit your application electronically. The request must show good cause and detail why you are technologically unable to submit electronically. An example of good cause may include: a valid power or internet service disruption in the area of your business office. Lack of [SAM.gov](#) registration is not good cause.

Use the information in the [Contact and Support](#) section of this NOFO to submit a written

request to HUD. You must **submit your waiver request at least 15 calendar days before the application deadline.**

C. Other Submissions

1. Intergovernmental Review

This NOFO is not subject to Executive Order [12372](#). No action is needed.

2. Technical Application Errors

HUD may contact you to fix a technical error with your timely application after the due date. Technical errors that you may fix are not submitted to satisfy merit review criteria. And you may not fix technical errors related to threshold review except eligibility entity documentation. Examples of technical errors include: inconsistencies in funding requests; improper signature on a form; a missing or incomplete form; and nonprofit status documentation.

HUD will send notice to the authorized organization representative from the SF-424 to fix a technical error.

Your application is not eligible for funding, if you fail to fix the error to HUD's satisfaction and by the due date in HUD's notice. HUD will not review information submitted after the application due date in HUD's notice.

a. Fix Errors in Electronic Applications

To fix an error in response to a HUD notice, you must email the corrections to HUD at applicationsupport@hud.gov. The subject line of the email to applicationsupport@hud.gov must state "Technical Fix" and include the [Grants.gov](#) application tracking number (e.g., Subject: Technical Fix - GRANT123456). If you do not email applicationsupport@hud.gov or if you do not include the appropriate subject line, HUD may mark your application as ineligible.

HUD allows no less than 48 hours and no more than 14 calendar days from the date of the HUD notice to fix an error. If the due date to fix an error falls on a Saturday, Sunday, Federal holiday, or on a day when HUD's Headquarters office in Washington, DC is closed, then the due date is the next business day.

b. Fix Errors in Paper Applications

You must fix an error in your paper application, in accordance with HUD's notice. If your paper application includes an incorrect UEI, HUD will request you supply the correct UEI.

D. False Statements

By submitting an application, you acknowledge your understanding that providing false or misleading information during any part of the application, award, or performance phase of an award may result in criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including but not limited to: fines, restitution, and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 1001, 18 USC 1012, 18 USC 1010, 18 USC 1014, or 18 USC 287; treble damages and civil penalties under the False Claims Act, 31 USC 3729 et seq.; double damages and civil penalties under the Administrative False Claims Act, 31 USC Sections 3801-3812; civil recovery of award funds; suspension and/or debarment from all federal procurement and non-procurement transactions, FAR Part 9.4 or 2

CFR Part 180; and other remedies including termination of active HUD award.

VII. POST - AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

VII. Post-Award Requirements and Administration

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VII. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Standard post-award requirements are available online at: www.huduser.gov.

A. Administrative, National and Departmental Policy Requirements, and General Terms and Conditions

You must follow the applicable provisions in the [Administrative, National & Departmental Policy Requirements and Terms for HUD Financial Assistance – 2025](#). You must comply with these applicable provisions:

1. The Fair Housing Act ([42 USC 3601-3619](#)) and Civil Rights laws which encompass the Fair Housing Act and related authorities (24 CFR 5.105(a))
2. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements, ([42 USC § 3608\(e\)\(5\)](#)) and implementing regulations at [24 CFR 5.150 et seq.](#) as amended by 90 FR 11020.
3. Economic Opportunities for Low-and Very Low-income Persons ([12 USC 1701u](#)) requirements, including those listed at [24 CFR part 75](#)
4. Compliance with Immigration Requirements (8 U.S.C. 1601-1646; [Executive Order 14218](#))
5. Accessible Technology requirements, ([29 USC § 794d](#), 29 USC 794, 42 USC 12131-12165) and implementing regulations at 36 CFR part 1194 (Section 508 regulations), [24 CFR § 8.6](#) (Section 504 effective communication regulations), 28 CFR part 35, subpart H (DOJ Web Access Rule), and [28 CFR part 35, subpart E](#) (DOJ's Title II communications regulations)
6. Ensuring, when possible, small businesses, minority businesses, women's business enterprises, veteran-owned businesses, and labor surplus area firms receive consideration consistent with [2 CFR 200.321](#)
7. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities consistent with 42 U.S.C. 2000bb et seq.; 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.; 24 CFR 5.109; and Executive Orders 14202, *Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias* and EO 14205, *Establishment of the White House Faith Office*.
8. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act ([42 USC § 4601 et seq.](#)) (URA) requirements, [49 CFR part 24](#), and applicable program regulations
9. Participation in HUD-Sponsored Program Evaluation (12 USC 1701z-1; 12 USC 1702z-2; 24 CFR part 60; and FR-6278-N-01)
10. OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ([2 CFR part 200](#))
11. Drug-Free Workplace requirements ([2 CFR part 2429](#))
12. HUD requirements related to safeguarding resident/client files (e.g., [2 CFR 200.303\(e\)](#))
13. The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 ([2 CFR part 170](#)) (FFATA), as amended

14. Eminent Domain

15. Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities requirements ([29 USC § 794](#)) and implementing regulations at [24 CFR parts 8](#) and [100](#); [28 CFR part 35](#)

16. Applicable Violence Against Women Act requirements in the Housing Chapter of VAWA ([34 USC § 12491-12496](#)) [24 CFR part 5, subpart L](#), and program-specific regulations.

17. Conducting Business in Accordance with Ethical Standards/Code of Conduct, including [2 CFR 200.317](#), [2 CFR 200.318\(c\)](#) and other applicable conflicts of interest requirements

18. [Build America, Buy America \(BABA\) Act](#) procurement purchase requirements

19. [Section 106\(g\) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 \(TVPA\), as amended \(22 USC § 7104\(g\)\)](#) and implementing regulations at [2 CFR part 175](#)

20. Environmental requirements that apply in accordance with [24 CFR part 50](#) or [part 58](#)

21. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunication and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (41 USC § 3901 note prec., 2 CFR 200.216)

22. Unless prohibited by law and to the extent permitted under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), your application and post-award content may be released to the public in response to FOIA requests, except to the extent that certain information may be withheld under a FOIA exemption ([5 USC § 552\(b\)](#); [24 CFR 15.107\(b\)](#)). HUD may also share your information within HUD or with other Federal agencies if HUD determines that sharing is relevant to the respective program's objectives.

23. Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and Whistleblower Protections. [41 USC § 4712](#), which includes informing your employees in writing of their rights and remedies, in the predominant native language of the workforce. Under [41 U.S.C. § 4712](#), employees of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, subgrantee, and personal services contractor may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a Federal contract or grant, a gross waste of Federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a Federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant. (See [Federal Contractor or Grantee Protections | Office of Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development \(hudoig.gov\)](#))

24. Implementing Presidential Executive Actions affecting federal financial assistance programs, as advised by the Department, unless otherwise restricted by law: Executive Order (EO) [14219](#) (Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Deregulatory Initiative); [14218](#) (Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders); guidance resulting from the White House Task Force established by [14202](#) (Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias) and the Senior Advisor to the White House Faith Office assigned by [14205](#) (Establishment of the White House Faith Office); [14182](#) (Enforcing the Hyde Amendment); [14173](#) (Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity); [14168](#) (Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government); [14151](#) (Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing); and [14148 \(Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions\)](#)

B. Environmental Requirements

1. Environmental Review

Activities funded under this NOFO are exempt or categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 USC § 4321) and not subject to environmental review under related laws and authorities. The exemption or categorical exclusion is in accordance with 24 CFR 50.19(b)(1) and (3).

2. NOFO Impact Determination Related to the Environment

This NOFO has no significant impact related to the environment. HUD has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) as required by HUD regulations at [24 CFR part 50](#), which implement section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 USC § 4332(2)(c)). To learn more about this FONSI, go to [HUD's Funding Opportunities](#) web page.

C. Remedies for Noncompliance

HUD may terminate all or a part of your award as described under 2 CFR 200.340 through 200.343 pursuant to the terms and conditions of your award, including, to the extent authorized by law, if an award no longer effectuates the program goals or agency priorities. HUD may also impose specific conditions on your award or take other remedies as described by 2 CFR 200.339 through 200.343, if you do not comply with your award terms and conditions.

You are encouraged to review the PD&R Research Grant Termination Guide, which is found at <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/ota/guidance.html>.

D. Reporting

HUD requires recipients to submit the performance, financial, and program reports as outlined below. You must comply with these reporting requirements to remain eligible for HUD funding. See [Section VII.C.](#) of this NOFO.

HUD is implementing new grants management and reporting tools, which will be rolled out for your use in the near term. As a grantee, you will be required to report on grant performance and financial activities (including vendor and cash disbursement supporting details for yourself and your sub-recipients) using these new tools when they are released. HUD will work with you to support your transition to this new reporting environment. Once implemented, timely reporting in this new environment will be mandatory. HUD reserves the right to exercise all available rights and remedies for any noncompliance with these grants management and financial reporting requirements, to include requiring 100% review or stopping future disbursements altogether if reporting is not timely submitted.

Report	Description	When
Federal Funding	Awards equal to or	See 2 CFR Appendix A to Part

Report	Description	When
Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA)	- greater than \$30,000 - Data on executive compensation and first-tier subawards - See Public Law 109-282 and 2 CFR part 170 - HUD reports initial prime recipient data to usaspending.gov - Submit via SAM.gov	170(a)(2)(ii)
Reporting on Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters	- Total value of all current Federal awards exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this Federal award - See Appendix XII to 2 CFR 200 - Submit via SAM.gov	See 2 CFR Appendix-XII to Part 200 I.(d)
Progress Report	- Summary of progress status - Work to be performed during the next reporting period - Any anticipated risks and plans to mitigate those risks	Quarterly
Federal Financial Report, SF-425	- Summary of key financial data - See 2 CFR 200.328	See 2 CFR 200.328 or award terms
Final Narrative Report	A summary report that provides the final breakdown of overall award spending	Upon completion on the period of performance

Report	Description	When
	over the period of performance	
Audited financial statement	Recipient's organizational structure, any sub-grantees or sub-recipients, and how each disbursement of grant funds was applied to an eligible cost throughout the life of the grant to receive disbursements of Federal funds.	No less than annually

VIII. CONTACT AND SUPPORT

VIII. [Contact and Support](#)

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VIII. CONTACT AND SUPPORT

Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals who have speech or communication disabilities may use a relay service. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, visit the webpage for the [Federal Communications Commission](#).

A. Agency Contact

1. Program and Application Requirements

Name: Michael Stewart

Phone: 202-402-2258

Email: researchpartnerships@hud.gov

Note: HUD's assistance is limited by the standards at [24 CFR 4.26](#).

2. Paper Application Waiver Request

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Phone: 202-402-4354

HUD Organization: PD&R

Street: 451 7th St SW

City: Washington

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HUD Reform Act. HUD is prohibited from disclosing [covered selection information](#) during the selection process. The selection process includes NOFO development and publication, and concludes with the announcement of selected recipients of financial assistance. HUD will not assist you with completing your application.

B. Grants.gov

Grants.gov provides 24/7 support. You can call 800-518-4726 or email support@grants.gov. Hold on to your ticket number.

C. SAM.gov

If you need help, you can call 866-606-8220 or live chat with the [Federal Service Desk](#).

D. Debriefing

After public announcement of awards, HUD will debrief you on your application upon your written request. Submit your written request to the [agency contact for program and application requirements](#) in this NOFO. HUD may limit the information provided to protect the integrity of the competition.

For a period of at least 120 calendar days, beginning 30 calendar days after the public

announcement of awards under this NOFO, if requested, HUD will provide a debriefing related to an applicant's submission. The AOR or the AOR's successor must submit a written request for debriefing via mail or email to the Agency Contact listed in Section VIII.A of this NOFO.

E. Applicant Experience Survey

You are encouraged to provide feedback on your application experience by completing our [Applicant Experience Survey](#). Your feedback is optional; you are not required to provide personal information. HUD may use your feedback to improve future NOFOs. Your feedback has no impact on funding decisions.

F. Other Online Resources

You are encouraged to review the [online resources](#) for context on some of the NOFO requirements.

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Appendix I. Definitions

1. Standard Definitions

For standard definitions not listed below, refer to [2 CFR 200.1](#).

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) - statutory obligation to affirmatively further the purposes and policies of the Fair Housing Act (see also [24 CFR 5.151](#), as amended by 90 FR 11020).

Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) is the official within your organization with the legal authority to: give assurances, make commitments, submit your application to HUD, enter into agreements, and execute such documents on behalf of your organization. The AOR is not necessarily the Project Director. The AOR has [defined privileges](#) within Grants.gov.

Consolidated Plan has the same meaning as defined at [24 CFR part 91](#).

E-Business Point of Contact (E-Biz POC) is [defined at Grants.gov](#).

Eligibility requirements are mandatory requirements for an application to be considered for funding.

Grants.gov is the website serving as the Federal government's central portal for searching and applying for federal financial assistance.

Primary Point of Contact (PPOC) is the person HUD may contact with questions about the application submitted. The PPOC is listed in item 8F on the SF-424.

Small business is defined as a privately-owned corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship that has fewer employees and less annual revenue than regular-sized business. The definition of "small"—in terms of being able to apply for government support and qualify for preferential tax policy—varies by country and industry. The U.S. Small Business Administration defines a small business according to a set of standards based on specific industries. See [13 CFR part 121](#).

System for Award Management (SAM) has the same meaning as [2 CFR 25.100\(b\)](#).

Threshold Requirements are eligibility requirements you must meet before HUD advances to a merit review of your application.

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) has the same meaning as [2 CFR 25.100\(a\)](#).

2. Program Definitions.

N/A.