



HBCU

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program

***Developing Partnerships
to Revitalize Communities***



U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Policy Development
and Research

Who is Eligible for an HBCU Program Grant

Only HBCUs as determined by the U.S. Department of Education are eligible to apply for funding under this program. All applicants must be accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the Department of Education.



**Strengthening communities
through neighborhood
revitalization and economic
development.**



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Eligible Activities

Activities proposed for funding must:

- Benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.
- Meet other community development needs where existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community, and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

Typically, HBCU grantees use their funds to:

- Acquire real property.
- Manage property clearance and demolition.
- Rehabilitate residential or commercial structures.
- Provide direct homeownership assistance.
- Provide eligible public service activities.
- Establish a community development corporation.
- Assist community-based development organizations in neighborhood revitalization, economic development, or energy conservation projects.



How to Apply for an HBCU Program Grant

A Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is posted at www.oup.org. The grant application package and instructions (including grant amounts) can be downloaded from www.grants.gov. All applications must be submitted electronically. The NOFA is also published in the *Federal Register*.

Evaluation Criteria

Applications for an HBCU program grant are evaluated based on a variety of factors, including:

- Identifying and clearly describing the knowledge and experience of key project team members.
- Describing the need(s) and the importance of meeting the proposed need(s).
- Providing a clear description of proposed activities and tasks required to successfully implement and complete the proposed project.
- Securing resources that can be combined with grant funds to achieve the effectiveness of the proposed activities.
- Developing an effective, quantifiable, outcome-oriented evaluation plan for measuring performance and determining that objectives and goals have been met.

Learn More About the HBCU Programs

For more information about HUD's HBCU programs, visit www.oup.org or contact:

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Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) have been important housing and community development partners with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) since 1980 when President Jimmy Carter signed the first Executive Order establishing a federal program to help HBCUs access federally funded programs.

HUD's HBCU Program is designed to help HBCUs expand their role and effectiveness in addressing community development needs in their localities, including neighborhood revitalization, housing, and economic development.



About the Office of University Partnerships

Since 1994, when it was established in HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research, OUP has been a catalyst for joining colleges and universities in a shared effort to address pressing local problems. To learn about other programs, visit www.oup.org.

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