

HUD Update



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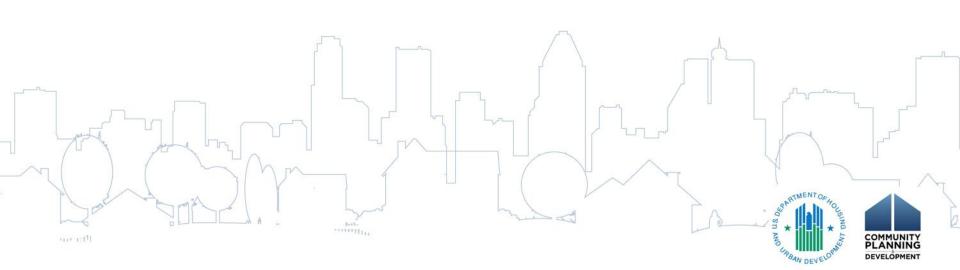


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Consolidated Plans



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- Plans for most grantees in Region I are due May 15, 2020.
- New areas of focus:
 - Opportunity Zones
 - HUD encourages grantees to consider the use of CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA, and HTF funds for eligible activities in Opportunity Zones when developing their Consolidated Plans.
 - HUD also encourages grantees to explore whether these zones would also qualify as Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy
 Areas under CPD Notice 16-16. NRSA designation may make it easier to leverage CDBG funds in Opportunity Zones.





Consolidated Plans (cont.)

- New areas of focus:
 - Section 3 and Anti-Poverty Strategy
 - Grantees may include their Section 3 policies for providing employment and training opportunities to Section 3 residents in this section of their Consolidate Plan:
 - Does the plan describe the grantee's goals, programs and policies for reducing the number of poverty level families?
 - Does the plan describe how the grantee's goals, programs and policies for producing and preserving affordable housing will be coordinated with other programs designed to serve persons at poverty level (such as TANF and employment training programs).





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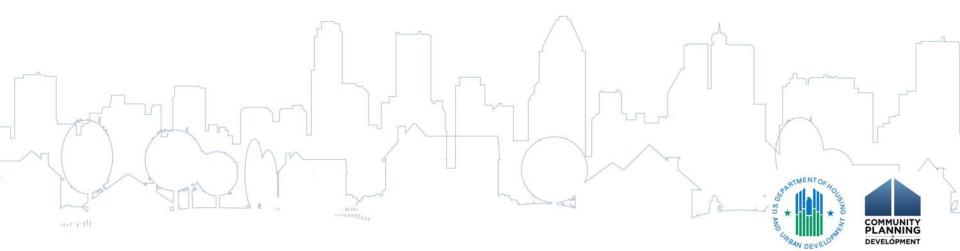
• New requirements:

- Consultation and citizen participation:
 - Must consult with "broadband internet service providers, organizations engaged in narrowing the digital divide, agencies whose primary responsibilities include management of flood prone areas, public land or water resources, and emergency management agencies".
- Housing market analysis:
 - Must describe broadband needs in housing occupied by lowand moderate-income households; and
 - Describe the vulnerability of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households to increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

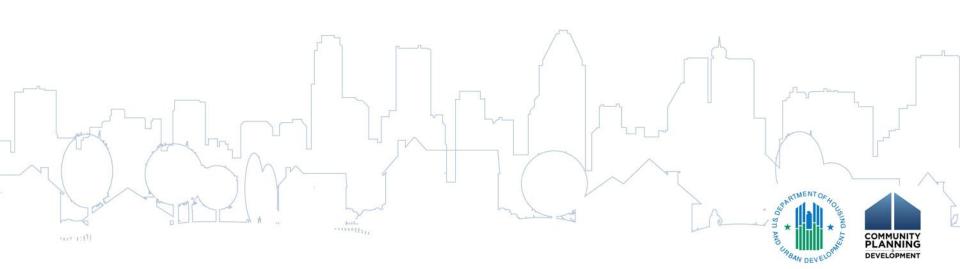
Consolidated Plans (cont.)

• Reminders:

- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice should be updated in conjunction with the Consolidate Plan.
- Citizen Participation Plan may also be updated in conjunction with the Consolidated Plan.
- Coming soon: new draft checklist



Grant Close Out Process



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 HUD is working close out fiscal year 1992-2010 CDBG and HOME grants in accordance with CDBG and HOME regulations and 2 CFR Part 200.

• CDBG:

- Office of Block Grant Assistance is working with a consultant to prepare for a blanket closeout of all pre-2011 grant years.
- Grantees may be contacted if they have open pre-2011
 CDBG activities in IDIS.





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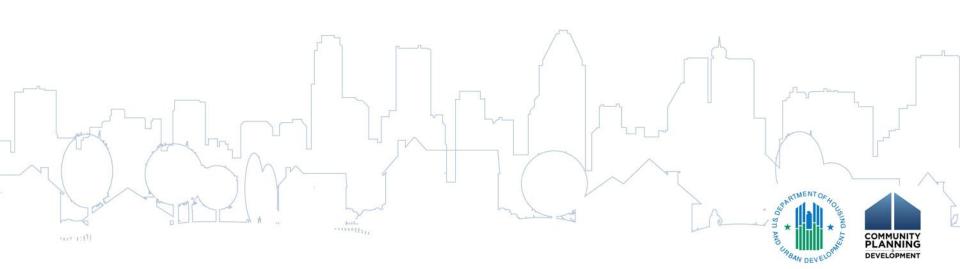
• HOME:

- Office of Affordable Housing Programs is working with Field
 Offices to close out pre-2011 grants.
- Requirements for closeout of 1992-2010 grants are:
 - All HOME funds must be expended;
 - All HOME IDIS activities must be completed;
 - All HOME-assisted units must be occupied;
 - All CPD monitoring findings must be closed;
 - All HUD OIG audit findings must be closed; and
 - All Single Audit findings must be closed.





HOME Program Updates



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- HOME monitoring exhibits:
 - Comprehensively redesigned and updated Chapter 7, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Chapter 25, Relocation and Real Property Acquisition.
 - Available at:
 https://www.hud.gov/program offices/administration/hudclips/
 /handbooks/cpd/6509.2.
- HOME Academy:
 - Six-month training conducted by the Office of Affordable Housing Programs to help CPD field staff improve their knowledge of the HOME Program.

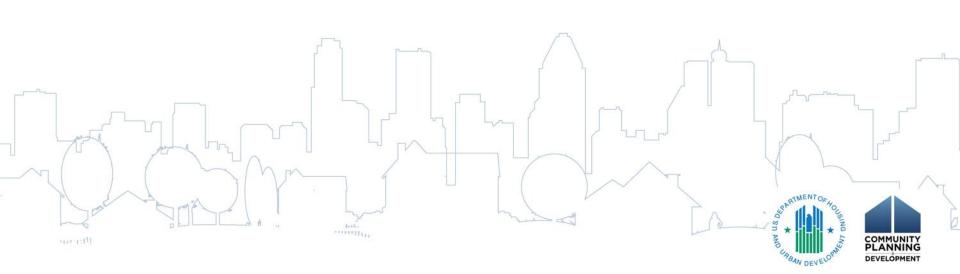
HOME Program Updates (cont.)

- Suspension of 24-Month Commitment Deadlines Occurring in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020:
 - Provides an opportunity for PJ's to rethink their precommitment process and ensure that all requirements are met = viable HOME projects.
 - If you are not already using them, recommend commitment checklists available at:
 https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4838/notice-cpd-15-09-requirements-for-committing-home-funds/.





Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program



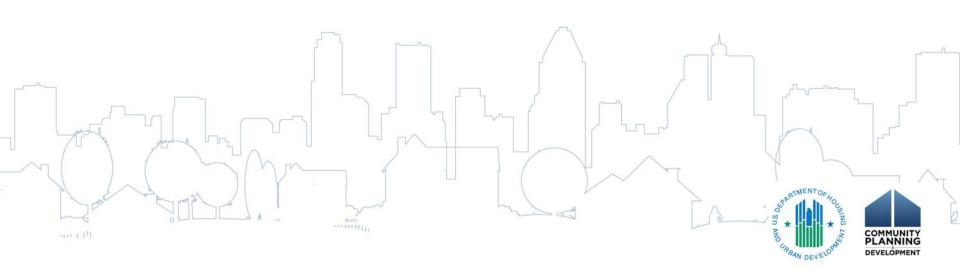
Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program

- HUD's Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program
 (YHDP) supports a wide range of housing programs
 including rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing,
 transitional housing, and other innovative housing models
 such as host homes.
- Recent award announcements (3rd round) include:
 - Fairfield County, Connecticut \$3.01 million
 - Franklin County, Massachusetts \$1.96 million
 - Springfield, Massachusetts \$2.43 million
 - State of Maine \$3.35 million



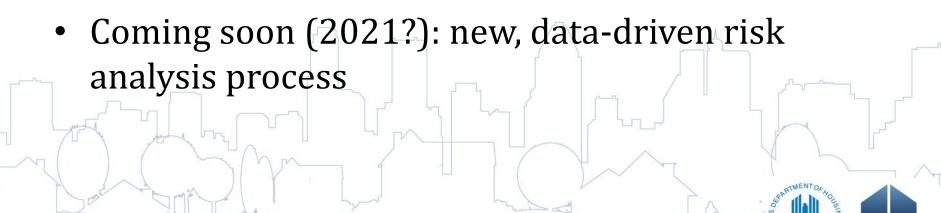


Monitoring

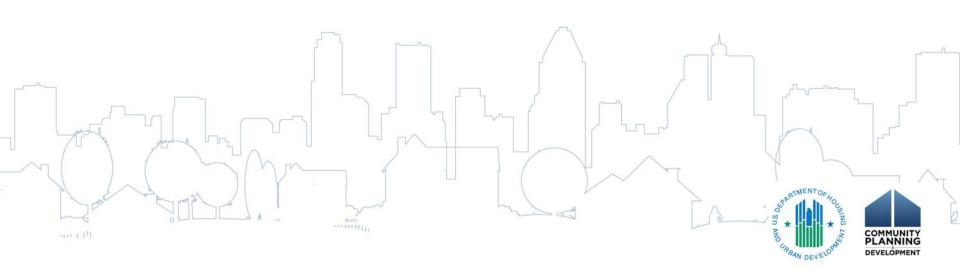


Monitoring

- 2019 monitoring requirements:
 - One week on-site
 - Financial management review
 - For formula grantees with more than one program: two programs and a minimum of three function areas
 - For CoC projects: review of match contributions



OIG Audits



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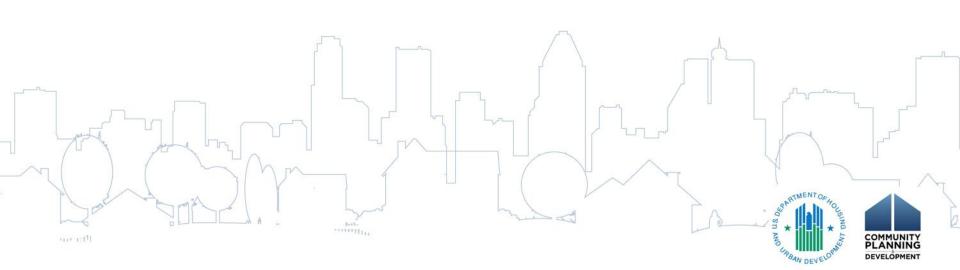
- Areas of recent focus:
 - Environmental reviews
 - Issues with tiered reviews
 - Reviews not completed before construction began
 - Missing historic property determinations
 - Missing documentation on wetlands
 - Financial management

• Lack of documentation to show funds were spent for supported, necessary and reasonable costs



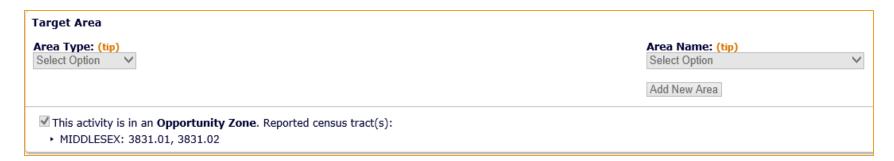


IDIS Release 11.18



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- Activity Set-up Changes:
 - Added Opportunity zones to target area fields.



 Updated set-up page to require leveraging information be entered (even if amounts are \$0) before activity funding screens are available.





IDIS Release 11.18 (cont.)

 Allow grantee to maintain and submit quarterly cash-on hand data (SF-425 Federal Financial Report):



PR29 - Cash on Hand Quarterly Report Owner: Administrator Modified:

Beginning with Q/E December 31, 2019

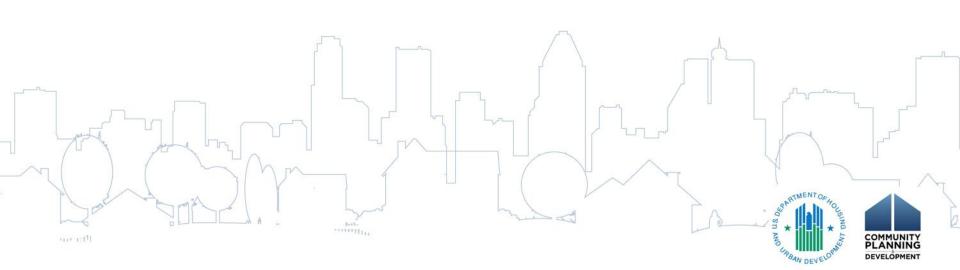
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Instructions coming soon





Relocation and Acquisition

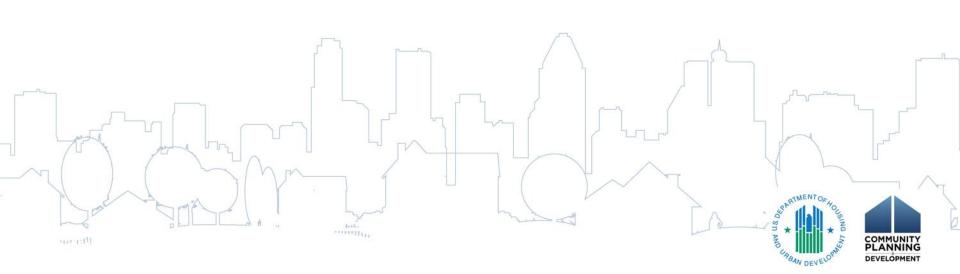


Relocation and Acquisition

- Training modules are under development
- For the first in the series, go to:
 https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/ura-the-hud-way/.
- Coming soon:
 - Module 2: Section 104(d) Overview
 - Module 3: URA Planning and Budgeting
 - Module 4: URA Real Property Acquisition
 - Module 5: URA Residential Relocation
 - Module 6: URA Nonresidential Relocation
 - Module 7: URA Temporary Relocation
 - Module 8: Recordkeeping, Monitoring, and Corrective Action

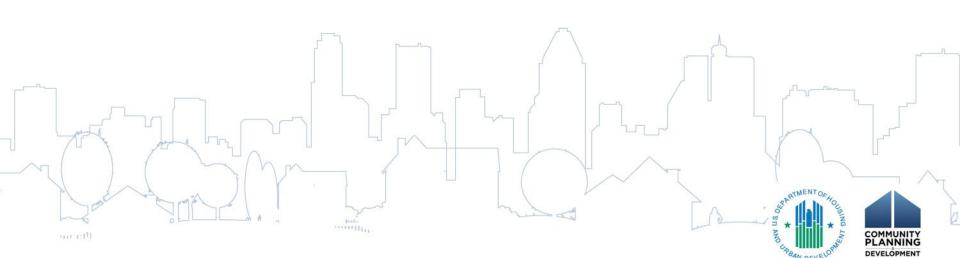


CPD Staffing Updates



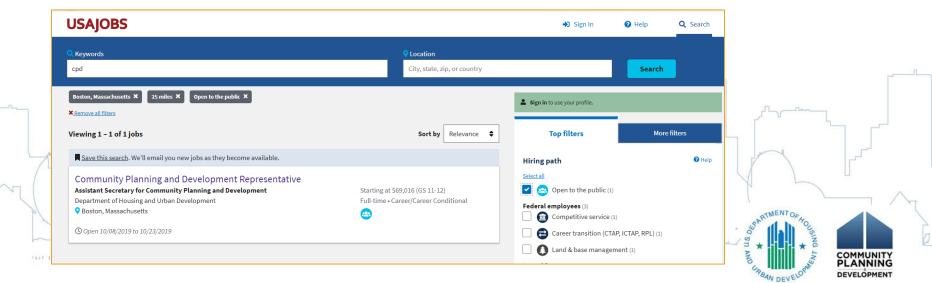
Staffing Updates

- Welcome to two CPD Representatives who recently joined the Boston Office:
 - Patricia Manning
 - Lawrence Houbre



Staffing Updates (cont.)

- Three CPD Representative positions are currently advertised for the Boston Regional Office. Go to: https://www.usajobs.gov/.
- Search under the keyword CPD and the location of Boston, Massachusetts. Select "Open to the public".



Questions?

