

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. Refugees and asylees, Cuban/Haitian Entrants under section 202 of Public Law 99-603, and Amerasians under Public Law 97-359, must use this form when applying for adjustment of status, with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). USCIS will provide the data collected on this form to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 195,000 responses at 55 minutes (.916) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 178,620 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529; Telephone No. 202-272-8377.

Dated: March 14, 2007.

Richard Sloan,

Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5030-FA-04]

Announcement of Funding Awards for the Rural Housing and Economic Development Program Fiscal Year 2006

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102 (a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Rural Housing and Economic Development Program. This announcement contains the names of the awardees and the amounts of the awards.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jackie L. Williams, Ph.D., Director, Office of Rural Housing and Economic Development, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7137, Washington, DC 20410-7000; telephone (202) 708-2290 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- and speech-impaired persons may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service toll-free at (800) 877-8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, call Community Connections at (800) 998-9999 or visit the HUD Web site at <http://www.hud.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Rural Housing and Economic Development program was authorized by the Department of Veterans Affairs, Housing

and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of 1999. The competition was announced in the NOFA published March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11903). Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of selection criteria contained in that notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.250.

The Rural Housing and Economic Development Program is designed to build capacity at the State and local level for rural housing and economic development and to support innovative housing and economic development activities in rural areas. Eligible applicants are local rural non-profit organizations, community development corporations, federally recognized Indian tribes, state housing finance agencies, and State community and/or economic development agencies. The funds made available under this program were awarded competitively, through a selection process conducted by HUD.

For the Fiscal Year 2006 competition, a total of \$16,800,000 was awarded to 56 projects nationwide.

In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the grantees and amounts of the awards in Appendix A to this document.

Dated: February 22, 2007.

Nelson R. Bregón,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

Appendix A—Fiscal Year 2006 Funding Awards for Rural Housing and Economic Development Program

Recipient	City	State	Award
Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc	Anchorage	AK	300,000
Chilkot Indian Association	Haines	AK	300,000
Asa'carsarmiut Tribal Council	Mountain Village	AK	300,000
Organized Village of Kasaan	Ketchikan	AK	300,000
Hale Empowerment and Revitalization Organization	Greensboro,	AL	300,000
Volunteers of America Southeast, Inc.	Mobile	AL	300,000
International Sonoran Desert Alliance	Ajo	AZ	300,000
Elfrida Citizens' Alliance	Elfrida	AZ	300,000
West Fresno Coalition for Economic Development	Fresno	CA	300,000
Relational Culture Institute	Fresno	CA	300,000
Shingle Springs Rancheria	Shingle Springs	CA	300,000
Better Opportunities Builders, Inc.	Fresno	CA	300,000
Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria	Loteta	CA	300,000
Huerfano/Las Aminas Area COG	Trinidad	CO	300,000
Everglades Community Association	Florida	FL	300,000
Southwest Georgia United Empowerment Zone, Inc	Vienna	GA	300,000
Area Committee to Improve Opportunities, NOW	Athens	GA	300,000
CDC of Southwest Georgia	Colquitt	GA	300,000
Youthbuild McLean County	Bloomington	IL	300,000

Recipient	City	State	Award
Shawnee Development Council, Inc.	Karnak	IL	300,000
Purchase Area Housing Corporation	Mayfield	KY	300,000
Passamaquoddy Development and Supply, Co	Parry	ME	300,000
Community Action Agency of South Central Michigan	Battle Creek	MI	300,000
Little River Band of Ottawa Indians	Manistee	MI	300,000
Mid-Delta Empowerment Zone Alliance	Itta Bena	MS	300,000
Fort Peck Assiniboini and Sioux Tribes	Poplar	MT	300,000
The Heritage Institute	Glasgow	MT	300,000
Omaha Tribe of Nebraska	Macy	NE	300,000
Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska	Niobrara	NE	300,000
Ho-Chunk Community Development Corporation	Walthill	NE	300,000
Navajo Partnership for Housing, Inc.	Gallup	NM	300,000
Native American Lending Group, Inc.	Albuquerque	NM	300,000
Eastern Plains Housing Development Corporation	Clovis	NM	300,000
ACCION, New Mexico	Albuquerque	NM	300,000
The Dona Anna County Colonias Development Council	Las Cruces	NM	300,000
Pueblo of Picuris	Penasco	NM	300,000
Pueblo De San Lidefonso	Sante Fe	NM	300,000
Pueblo of Pojoaque	Sante Fe	NM	300,000
Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe	Fallon	NV	300,000
Cortland Housing Assistance Council, Inc.	Cortland	NY	300,000
Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe	Hollister	NC	300,000
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians	Belcourt	ND	300,000
Northeast South Dakota Community Action Program	Sisseton	SD	300,000
Oglala Sioux Tribe Partnership for Housing	Pine Ridge	SD	300,000
The Lakota Fund	Kyle	SD	300,000
Buffalo Valley, Inc.	Hohewald	TN	300,000
Creative Compassion, Inc.	Crossville	TN	300,000
West Tennessee Legal Services, Inc.	Jackson	TN	300,000
Community Development Corporation of Brownsville	Brownsville	TX	300,000
El Paso Empowerment Zone Corporation	El Paso	TX	300,000
Community Development Corporation Of South Texas	McAllen	TX	300,000
Organizacion Progresiva de San Elizario	San Elizario	TX	300,000
Proyecto Azteca	San Juan	TX	300,000
Willacy County Industrial Foundation, Inc.	Raymondville	TX	300,000
Southern Appalachian Labor School	Kincaid	WV	300,000
Stop Abusive Family Environments, Inc.	Welch	WV	300,000

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Notice of Intent To Prepare Comprehensive Conservation Plans and Environmental Assessments for Mandalay and Bayou Teche National Wildlife Refuges in South Louisiana****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Fish and Wildlife Service intends to gather information necessary to prepare comprehensive conservation plans and environmental assessments pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and its implementing regulations for Mandalay and Bayou Teche National Wildlife Refuges in Terrebonne and Saint Mary Parishes, Louisiana. Mandalay and Bayou Teche Refuges are two of the eight refuges administered by the Southeast

Louisiana National Wildlife Refuge Complex. The purpose in developing a comprehensive conservation plan is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, plans identify wildlife-dependent opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation.

The purpose of this notice is to achieve the following:

- (1) Advise other agencies and the public of our intentions, and
- (2) Obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to include in the environmental documents.

DATES: Please provide written comments on the scope of issues to include in the

environmental documents by May 18, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Address comments, questions, and requests for further information to the following: Charlotte Parker, Natural Resource Planner, Southeast Louisiana National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 61389 Highway 434, Lacombe, Louisiana 70445; Telephone: 985-882-2000. Comments may also be submitted electronically to Charlotte_Parker@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Open house style public scoping meetings will be held in Houma and Franklin during the comprehensive conservation plan development phase. Special mailings, newspaper articles, and other media announcements will be used to inform the public and state and local government agencies of the opportunities for input throughout the planning process. Many elements will be considered, including wildlife and habitat management, public recreational activities, and cultural resource protection. Public input into the planning process is essential. All comments received become part of the official public record. Requests for such