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and Urban Development

Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Demonstration

LHC-2600-DC-0032

Applications are due by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on 09/14/2026.

Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

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BEFORE YOU BEGIN

If you are a good candidate for this funding opportunity, register in the required systems and review the application materials. If you are already registered, confirm that your information is current and active.

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 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 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](https://grants.gov). 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 LHC-2600-DC-0032. 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.

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

I. Basic Information

A. Summary

B. Agency Contact(s)

I. BASIC INFORMATION

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

A. Summary

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

HUD Program Office:
Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

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:
Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Demonstration

Opportunity Number:
LHC-2600-DC-0032

Federal Assistance Listing(s):
14.922

Key Dates

Application Due Date:
11:59:59 PM Eastern Time on:
09/14/2026

Anticipated Award Date:
09/29/2026

Estimated Performance Period Start Date:
11/02/2026

Estimated Performance Period End Date:
05/01/2030

1. NOFO Summary

This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announces up to \$10 million to support a National Fund Manager (NFM) to design and manage a Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Demonstration (the Fund). The Fund will be a national platform to pool public and private capital to accelerate the reduction of residential lead exposure, particularly childhood

lead poisoning, and improve housing-related health conditions in low-income communities ("lead-safe and healthy homes activities").

While HUD and EPA programs have addressed lead and other environmental hazards in many homes, progress remains slow relative to the scale of need. For example, since 1993, HUD has remediated lead hazards in over 230,000 low-income housing units, but tens of millions of U.S. households continue to face risk from lead and additional residential environmental stressors. Expanding access to private capital alongside public funding is critical to increasing the pace and scale of remediation.

Traditional home repair financing remains difficult to access due to strict underwriting, high denial rates, and lender risk concerns, leaving many older homes in disrepair. The Fund will build upon successful local models that combine public and private resources and expand this approach nationally by aggregating capital and supporting local financing programs.

The NFM will be responsible for leveraging the initial \$10 million in public funds to raise private capital investments, structuring financing mechanisms, and providing technical assistance to support the Fund's operations. The NFM will also be responsible for the distribution of the funds through eligible activities by using no more than \$1 million of the federal award for administrative activities, while deploying the remaining capital through loans, grants, and other financial products that flow to state, regional, and local governments and nonprofit organizations selected by the NFM. The NFM will select and enter into agreements with organizations, which will in turn provide financing for conducting lead-safe and healthy homes activities in homes of low-income homeowners and homes owned by small landlords, in low-income communities. HUD will maintain oversight through review of Fund structure, performance, and compliance rather than by participating in investment selection decisions.

The organizations selected for funding by the NFM will ensure that the financing conditions require use of appropriately qualified contractors, laboratories, and financial entities in accordance with applicable Federal, state, and local requirements and this NOFO. The NFM will establish and oversee compliance, reporting, and quality assurance processes to ensure that lead-safe and healthy homes activities are performed and financed in accordance with program requirements.

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.

Estimated Number of Awards

1 awards from [available funding](#)

Length of Performance Period:

42-month project period and budget period

Length of Periods Explanation:

N/A

B. Agency Contact(s)

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

II. ELIGIBILITY

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A. Eligible Applicants

B. Eligible Applications

C. Cost Sharing or Matching

II. ELIGIBILITY

A. Eligible Applicants

If your organization is not an eligible applicant, your application won't be reviewed or scored, and you won't receive funding from HUD.

1. Eligible Entity Types:

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)

Additional Information on Eligibility

You cannot apply as an individual.

[Faith-based organizations](#) may apply just like any other organization. [HUD does not have any policies or practices that unfairly target these institutions.](#)

Additionally, applications may be submitted by a single eligible applicant or by multiple organizations applying as a consortium. Where an application is submitted as a consortium, an eligible entity must be designated as the lead applicant, which will serve as the primary recipient of the award and hold full responsibility for grant administration, compliance, reporting, and performance under the grant, but each member of the consortium must meet the Resolution of Civil Rights Matters threshold requirement of Section II.A.2.b.

2. Restrictions

a. Statutory and Regulatory Requirements

You must meet the current [General Statutory and Regulatory Eligibility Requirements](#). If you do not meet these requirements, your application won't be scored, and you won't receive funding from HUD. This is a threshold requirement for all HUD funding.

b. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters

If you have any outstanding or unresolved judgments for violating civil rights laws, you must settle them before you apply. If you don't, settle the civil rights law violations before you apply, your application won't be scored, and you won't receive funding from HUD. This is a threshold requirement for all HUD funding.

B. Eligible Applications

1. An application from an [eligible entity](#) is considered for funding if it meets basic [threshold requirements](#) and passes [merit review](#).

2. Your application must support the [goals](#) of this NOFO.

3. Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to conduct activities that subsidize or facilitate illegal racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination, including activities where race or intentional proxies for race will be used as a selection criterion for employment or program participation.

Additional Information on Eligibility

Applicants are eligible under this NOFO if they demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and experience necessary to successfully design, capitalize, and manage a national program that supports low-income communities through financial assistance such as loans and grants. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Experience serving as a fund administrator or manager, including designing, launching, and implementing mission-driven funds, particularly those focused on housing, community development, or public health outcomes, of a scale comparable to or larger than the scale of this Fund;
2. Knowledge and experience with home repair financing programs, with preference for experience related to lead hazard control, lead abatement, or healthy homes interventions;
3. A demonstrated history of lending or deploying capital in low-income communities;
4. Demonstrated financial strength, operational capacity, and institutional stability to manage a national financing platform; and
5. The ability to capitalize the Fund by attracting private and public investment, leveraging federal resources at a minimum ratio of 4:1 in private to HUD capital.

When organizations apply as a consortium, the lead applicant must independently demonstrate sufficient experience and capacity to carry out all core responsibilities of the NFM (see Section III.B, Goals and Objectives, for additional details). Any experience or qualifications contributed by members of the consortium may be considered; but this does not diminish or replace the lead applicant's sole accountability to HUD. Applicants must describe their relevant experience, organizational capacity, and each member of the consortium in their response to Rating Factor 1.

C. Cost Sharing or Matching

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

III. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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A. Purpose

B. Goals and Objectives

C. Authority

D. Unallowable Costs

E. Indirect Costs

III. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A. Purpose

This NOFO announces the availability of up to \$10 million in funds for a National Fund Manager (NFM) to design and manage a Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Demonstration (the Fund) with the goal of providing a national resource for pooling public and private sector capital to accelerate the reduction of sources of residential lead exposure and housing-related health conditions (i.e., conducting "lead-safe and healthy homes activities") in low-income communities. The Department believes that engaging private sector resources is an important element to accelerating efforts to address the critical public health issue of lead exposure and housing-related health conditions. The NFM selected through this NOFO will have a variety of roles and responsibilities to ensure the success of the Fund including, but not limited to, raising private capital, leveraging the initial \$10 million in public funds to attract additional private investments, creating other financial assistance, and technical assistance.

The NFM will also be responsible for the distribution of the funds through eligible activities such as loans, grants, and other financial products that flow to state, regional, and local governments and nonprofit organizations selected by the NFM. The NFM will select and enter into agreements with these organizations, which will in turn provide financing for low-income homeowners and small landlords in low-income communities for eligible lead hazard reduction and healthy homes repairs, with HUD maintaining oversight through review of Fund structure, performance, and compliance rather than participating in investment selection decisions.

The organizations selected for funding by the NFM will ensure that the financing's loan terms and conditions (for example, repayment requirements, eligible activities payable using loan funds, contractor standards, and documentation requirements) require, for eligible lead-safe and healthy homes activities, use of appropriately qualified contractors, laboratories, and financial entities in accordance with applicable Federal, state, and local requirements and this NOFO. The NFM, in coordination with the participating organizations, will establish and oversee compliance, reporting, and quality assurance processes to ensure that lead hazard reduction and healthy homes interventions are performed in accordance with HUD's Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes program requirements.

While current HUD and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) programs address lead paint in homes and lead in drinking water, respectively, these programs will take several decades to reach all the children at risk. For example, between 1993 and 2021, HUD has addressed lead-based paint hazards in over 230,000 low-income privately owned housing units, yet tens of millions of households in the U.S. contain risk from lead hazards and additional residential environmental stressors. HUD's Healthy Homes program takes a comprehensive approach to addressing multiple childhood diseases and injuries in the home by focusing on housing-related hazards in a coordinated fashion, rather than addressing a single hazard at a time, however, like existing lead hazard reduction efforts, it has not been able to scale quickly enough to meet the full scope of need nationwide. Private sector capital remains a largely untapped resource for bringing needed resources to the problem of lead poisoning and related housing-based environmental health hazards. The Fund builds upon HUD's successful Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes programs to expand the

Department's efforts to address a variety of high-priority environmental health and safety hazards.

Many of the homes most in need of renovation remain the hardest to finance, and homeowners and landlords seeking loans for renovation work face high denial rates and expensive loan terms. Financing home repairs is difficult because existing loan products are complex, expensive, and risky for both borrowers and lenders. Homeowners, especially those with lower incomes or older properties, face high denial rates, strict underwriting, and confusing contractor management requirements that many are not equipped to navigate. Lenders, meanwhile, tend to avoid renovation loans to owners and landlords of housing for low-income families because they carry disproportionate liability if construction goes wrong, making these products unattractive to offer. As a result, the market has too few accessible, affordable renovation financing options, leaving many aging homes in disrepair and limiting opportunities for buyers who might otherwise invest in needed upgrades.

In response to these gaps, cities nationwide have begun experimenting with new ways to finance lead and healthy homes repairs through a combination of loans, grants and incentives. Loans combined with subsidies (grants, tax exemptions, tax forgiveness) are emerging as innovative models for financing single family home repair. These approaches demonstrate the growing use of blended public and private financing structures to support housing remediation and repair activities at the local level. While these approaches operate at the retail funding level within local markets, this Demonstration Fund is envisioned as a national fund (i.e., operating at the mezzanine funding level).

The Fund would be the first national program to pilot aggregating public and private funds to make homes lead-safe and healthy. The purpose of this pilot demonstration is to create a mechanism for raising and deploying capital to regional, state, and local investees so that they can create and expand their capacity to deliver funds for home repair activities to eligible program beneficiaries, including low-income homeowners and small landlords in low-income communities. HUD is particularly interested in a Fund that can address financing gaps for low-income families as data show that low-income, privately owned housing faces the twin crises of higher health and safety risks and fewer accessible financial products for addressing them.

B. Goals and Objectives

The National Fund Manager Award and Program Goals, Objectives, and Measures

Under this NOFO, HUD will select an applicant to serve as the National Fund Manager (NFM). The NFM will be responsible for assembling public and private capital and deploying those resources to state, regional, and local entities, that finance housing repairs. The program's target goal is to secure at least \$50 million in initial capitalization, with the expectation that public funds will be leveraged at a minimum ratio of 4:1 with private capital. Through the Fund, the NFM will be responsible for the following activities including, but not limited to, fund design and creation, fund capitalization, deal sourcing and origination, portfolio management, reporting, and investor relations (see Program-Specific Requirements for additional details).

Program Goals:

1. Accelerate the elimination of residential lead hazards and other housing-related health and safety hazards to improve health outcomes for low-income families in privately owned homes in low-income communities.
2. Expand access to affordable financing for home repairs and healthy homes improvements for low-income families by leveraging public and private capital.

Objectives:

1. Establish a National Fund that aggregates public and private resources to support regional, state, and local financing initiatives.
2. Increase the pace and scale of lead hazard remediation and healthy homes interventions in low-income communities.
3. Promote blended financing models that reduce barriers for homeowners and small landlords.

Measures:

1. Total private capital raised and leverage ratio (target minimum: 4:1 private capital to HUD funding).
2. Number of homes made lead-safe or that had other housing-related health and safety hazards addressed through Fund-supported financing.
3. Geographic and demographic reach, prioritizing low-income communities that have had low rates of addressing lead-based paint hazards and other housing-related safety and health hazards in their homes.
4. Number and range of types of local, regional, or state partners supported by Fund capital.

Contribution of Award:

The NFM award will provide the necessary resources and oversight to design, capitalize, and manage the Fund as a demonstration pilot, enabling the deployment of capital at scale and testing the effectiveness of this model. The NFM will oversee the structuring and operation of the Fund, including the selection and oversight of participating entities that will deploy funds, rather than directly disbursing funds to firms (e.g., contractors, laboratories, etc.) or beneficiaries. By aggregating and directing public and private funds, the pilot will assess whether this approach can successfully accelerate lead hazard control, expand healthy homes interventions, and increase access to repair financing of affordable homes nationwide, consistent with HUD's goals.

C. Authority

This program is authorized under 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, 2026 (Public Law 119-75, approved February 3, 2026).

D. Unallowable Costs

Ineligible Costs and Activities. You may not use grant funds for any of the following activities:

- a. Purchase of real property.
- b. Purchase or lease of equipment having a per-unit cost in excess of \$10,000.
- c. Chelation or other medical treatment costs, including case management, related to children with elevated blood lead levels (EBLLs).
- d. Medical or other healthcare treatment of residents, whether or not associated with housing-related health and safety hazards.
- e. Lead hazard evaluation or control activities in public housing, project-based Section 8 housing, housing for the elderly, housing for persons with disabilities, or any 0-bedroom dwelling or housing built after 1977. However, elderly, disabled or 0-bedroom dwellings are eligible for grant funds if a child who is less than six years of age resides or is expected to reside in such housing.
- f. Complete or gut rehabilitation, demolition of housing units or detached buildings.
- g. Lead hazard evaluation or control activities in housing covered by a pending or final HUD, EPA, and/or Department of Justice (DOJ) settlement agreement, consent decree, court order or other similar action regarding violation of the Lead Disclosure Rule (24 CFR part 35, Subpart A, or the equivalent 40 CFR part 745, subpart F), or by HUD or DOJ regarding the Lead Safe Housing Rule (24 CFR part 35, subparts B–R).
- h. Activities that do not comply with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. § 3501).
- i. Lease or rental of office space for any activities supported through this NOFO, except as 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.
- j. Lead-hazard control or rehabilitation of a building or manufactured home that is located in an area identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4001– 4128) as having special flood hazards unless: The community in which the area is situated is participating in the National Flood Insurance Program in accordance with the applicable regulations (44 CFR parts 59–79), or less than a year has passed since FEMA notification regarding these hazards; and where the community is participating in the National Flood Insurance Program, flood insurance on the property is obtained in accordance with section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act (42 U.S.C. § 4012a(a)). The awardee is responsible for assuring that flood insurance is obtained and maintained for the appropriate amount and term.

E. Indirect Costs

If you expect to charge [indirect costs](#) to the award, submit the Indirect Cost Information for Award Applicant/Recipient form (HUD-426) with your application.

F. Program History

This is a new program establishing the first National Fund to pool public and private capital for lead hazard remediation and healthy homes improvements in low-income communities. It builds on HUD's Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes programs and local financing models but introduces a national financing platform. All sections of this NOFO are new, and applicants should review Sections I–V for program requirements, responsibilities, and performance expectations.

G. Other Information

Eligibility:

Program beneficiaries eligible for Fund-supported financing include low-income homeowners and low-income small landlords of privately owned housing. These beneficiaries will receive financing for lead hazard remediation and healthy homes improvements carried out in accordance with applicable program requirements, as follows. Please note that all lead hazard evaluation and control activities must be conducted in compliance with applicable Federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule (24 CFR Part 35, subparts B through R) and EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Rule (40 CFR Part 745, subparts E and Q), and EPA's Lead Abatement Rule (40 CFR Part 745, subparts L and Q) as applicable. For mold assessment and remediation, use such professional guidance as the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists' Bioaerosols: Assessment and Control (second edition) and Bioaerosols Air Sampling Instrumentation, comparably protective protocols, or, for work in jurisdictions where the work is regulated by the jurisdiction, the protocols of the jurisdiction or methods compliant with those protocols that are at least as protective as they are. Such activities must be performed by appropriately certified firms, appropriately trained and certified personnel, appropriately qualified laboratories (e.g., National Lead Laboratory Accreditation Program, Environmental Microbiology Laboratory Accreditation Program, etc., as applicable) and, where required, include clearance examinations conducted by qualified professionals.

Capital deployed through the Fund will flow to state, regional, and local government and nonprofit entities that provide financing for lead hazard remediation and healthy homes improvements. All funded activities must meet established standards for quality, safety, and compliance, including adherence to relevant HUD regulations and guidance on lead hazard reduction, healthy homes interventions, such as regarding integrated pest management, moisture control, adequate ventilation, and other housing-related health and safety measures, as applicable.

Funding Restrictions:

- **Grant Sizing and Use of Grant Funds:**
 - The maximum award amount for a National Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Fund Demonstration Program award is \$10,000,000.
 - Of the total award, up to \$1,000,000 may be used for administrative activities of the National Fund Manager (NFM), including fund design, management, compliance, reporting, and oversight functions, subject to HUD approval of the budget.
 - The remaining funds must be used to capitalize the Fund and support eligible

program activities, including the provision of loans, grants, credit enhancements, and other financial products that support lead hazard reduction and healthy homes improvements in eligible housing units.

- **No-Profit Requirement:**

- No applicant, sub-recipient, partner, or consortium member may earn a profit from funds awarded under this NOFO, but contractors and laboratories may earn a profit for lead and healthy homes activities conducted under this NOFO.

- **Program Income:**

- All program income, revenues, and returns generated through Fund activities must be used solely to support eligible program purposes, including financing, administration, compliance, or reinvestment into allowable program activities, consistent with HUD requirements. See the definition of program income at [2 CFR 200.1 "Program income"](#), and the program income regulation, [2 CFR 200.307](#). This cooperative agreement will use the additional method of applying program income ([2 CFR 200.307\(b\)\(2\)](#)), in which, "Program income is added to the total allowable costs, increasing the overall total amount of the Federal award."

- **Cost Control Standards:**

- Cost estimates must represent reasonable expenditures for the direct and indirect costs of labor, travel, office space, staff training, materials, and supplies, and other expenses necessary to select sub-recipients and manage the sub-awards until the end of the performance period.
- The NFM and its subrecipients must follow the procurement standards in [2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D - Procurement Standards](#), specifically, in [§§ 200.318 through 200.327](#).

- **National Fund Manager (NFM) Administrative Costs:**

- Administrative costs under this award are subject to a maximum of \$1,000,000 for the NFM over the period of performance, as approved by HUD. Administrative costs are the reasonable, necessary, allocable, and otherwise allowable costs of general management, oversight, and coordination of the grant (i.e., program administration). Such costs include, but are not necessarily limited to, expenditures for salaries, wages, fringe benefits, and related costs of the recipient's staff engaged in program administration that can be specifically identified with this grant. In charging costs to this category, the recipient may either include the entire salary, wages, and related costs allocable to the program of each person whose primary responsibilities with regard to the program involve program administration assignments, or the pro rata share of the salary, wages, and related costs of each person whose job includes any program administration activities. The recipient may use only one of these methods during the grant period. Program administration includes, but is not limited to, the following types of activities:

- Managing or supervising persons, subgrantees, and contractors whose primary responsibilities are within the program;
 - Travel costs incurred for official business in general program administration that can be specifically identified with this grant program;
 - Equipment, supplies (especially office supplies), and materials used for program administration that can be specifically identified with this grant program;
 - HUD-required conferences, which include one OLHCHH New-Grantee Orientation and annual OLHCHH Program Managers School conferences, as well as HUD-approved training and conferences; and
 - Certification and licensing costs as are required for program administration responsibilities.
- Applicants will submit a proposed budget to HUD with their application using form SF-424A, detailing the anticipated eligible administrative costs that the NFM will incur while completing program activities over the period of performance. The final amount of the NFM's grant award budget is subject to negotiation and approval by the Department. The NFM will submit vouchers for grant funds as program activities are completed.
- **Grant Reduction or Recapture:**
 - If an application is selected for funding, and the recipient subsequently proposes to make significant changes compared to what was presented in their application, HUD reserves the right to amend the award and reduce the amount or terminate and recapture the award.
 - **Withdrawal of Grant Amounts:**
 - If the recipient does not proceed and chooses to withdrawal from their grant award, HUD reserves the right to recapture any funds under its award. HUD may award any recaptured funds to the next highest-ranked applicant eligible for funding, subject to statutory constraints.

IV. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

IV. Application Contents and Forms

A. Standard Forms, Assurances, and Certifications

B. Budget

C. Narratives and Other Attachments

D. Other Application Content

IV. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

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.

Each application should include the following items submitted as directed.

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.

25 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.

Resumes for key personnel and Letters of Agreement or Memoranda of Understanding from consortium member organizations are not included in the maximum length of narratives and should be submitted in a separate file or files from the required narratives. Please note that one eligible entity must be designated as the lead applicant, which will have primary responsibility for grant administration, performance, compliance, and reporting for the duration of the award.

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](https://www.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 the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: SF-424

Forms/Assurances/ Certifications	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications (HUD 424-B)	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: HUD-424B
Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update Report (HUD 2880)	If applicable, required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: HUD-2880
Certification Regarding Lobbying	If applicable, required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: Lobbying Certification form
Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: SF-LLL
Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace (HUD-50070)	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: HUD-50070
Assurances for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424B)	If applicable, required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable File name: SF-424B

B. Budget

You must submit a budget with your application to support your project narrative.

At a minimum, your budget must indicate direct and any indirect costs.

Budget Form/Document	Submission Requirement	Notes/Description
Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424A)	Required with the application	Page limit: Not Applicable File name: SF-424A
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

See Appendix II

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
Response to Rating Factors	Required with the application	See Section V.B
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
Abstract	Required with the application	Page limit: 2
Resumes	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable
Letters of Agreement/Memoranda of Understanding	Required with the application	Page limit: Not applicable

Each application must include a two-page abstract (project summary). Note the abstract will not count toward the 25-page narrative limit. The abstract is not scored as part of the application evaluation but provides required documentation of threshold information and a clear overview of the proposed Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Fund.

The abstract must include:

1. A plain-language summary of the proposed national Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Fund and the applicant's approach to serving as the National Fund Manager (NFM). Applicants are encouraged to follow Federal plain language guidance (see <https://www.plainlanguage.gov/guidelines/>).
2. A brief description of the fund structure and strategy, including how public and private capital will be pooled and deployed.
3. A summary of the applicant's approach to raising private capital and leveraging public funds to meet or exceed the program's capitalization goals.
4. A description of the types of regional, state, and local investees the Fund intends to support (e.g., housing finance agencies, revolving loan funds, nonprofit intermediaries, or local financing initiatives).
5. A high-level overview of how the Fund will expand financing for lead hazard reduction and healthy homes repairs in low-income privately owned housing in low-income communities.
6. A description of how the applicant will monitor the implementation of the Fund to

ensure that funds are raised and used appropriately with respect to the Fund's mission and federal (e.g., 2 CFR 200, subparts D, E, and F), state, and local financial security, management, tracking, and reporting requirements.

D. Other Application Content

1. Technical Application Errors

HUD will contact you to fix a technical error with your timely application after the due date. Technical errors, if corrected, do not affect (positive or negative) your merit rating under this NOFO. Examples of technical errors include, but are not limited to: inconsistencies in funding requests; a missing or incomplete form or certification; failure to submit an otherwise sufficient application under the correct Assistance Listings number or Funding Opportunity Number in Grants.gov; improper signature on a form or certification; and missing or inappropriate eligibility documentation.

HUD will send notice to the [authorized organization representative](#) to fix a technical error. You must respond timely and appropriately to HUD's notice (see [submission requirements](#)).

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

2. The successful applicant will receive an award letter from HUD notifying them of the Department's intent to make an award. Following this notification and prior to issuance of the formal grant agreement, HUD will enter into a negotiation and technical submission phase with the selected applicant. During this period, the applicant will be required to submit and/or finalize key materials, including a detailed budget (SF-424A) for administrative and program costs, proposed Fund structure and capitalization strategy, documentation demonstrating the ability to leverage private capital (target 4:1 private-to-HUD funds ratio), and any supporting information related to organizational capacity, consortium members, and compliance requirements.

HUD may also request clarifications, revisions, or additional documentation as needed to ensure alignment with program requirements. The final award amount, scope, and terms will be subject to HUD review and approval based on these submissions.

V. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

V. Application Review Information

A. Threshold Review

B. Merit Review

C. Risk Review

D. Selection Process

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V. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

A. Threshold Review

When you apply: Your application is reviewed to make sure it meets the threshold requirements of this NOFO. If your application has a [technical error](#), HUD will allow you to [correct it](#). If you fail to meet **any** of the threshold requirements, your application is **not** eligible for HUD funding. If you do meet the threshold requirements, your application moves to [Merit Review](#) (the next step).

1. Timely Application Submission

Late applications are not evaluated and not eligible for funding. See deadlines in [Section VI](#).

2. Complete Application

If your application is timely, HUD will confirm completeness. Your application is considered for funding if it is complete and responsive to the requirements in this NOFO. If your application is incomplete, HUD will ask you to fix any [technical errors](#). Otherwise, incomplete and nonresponsive applications are not considered for funding.

3. Eligible Applicant

Upon receipt, HUD will confirm whether you are an [eligible applicant](#). Applications from ineligible applicants do not proceed to [merit review](#) and are not eligible for HUD funding.

B. Merit Review

If your application meets the threshold requirements, a panel will review and score its merits. The panel may include HUD employees and non-employees. They will evaluate your application based on the following criteria. The results of the evaluation are shared with senior HUD officials who make the [final decisions about funding](#) consistent with this NOFO.

Merit Review Summary

Criterion	Total number of points = 100
Rating Factor 1: Capacity of the Applicant and Relevant Organizational Experience	50 points
Rating Factor 2: Soundness of Approach	50 points
Total	100 points

Minimum Score. Applications scoring seventy-five (75) points or more will be eligible to receive an award.

1. Rating Factors

Your application must include a response to the following criteria.

Rating Factors Details

Criterion	Max points = 100
Rating Factor 1: Capacity of the Applicant and Relevant Organizational Experience	50 max points
Applicants must demonstrate that they have the organizational capacity, experience, and resources necessary to successfully design, launch, and manage the Fund. HUD will evaluate the capacity of the lead (primary) applicant, which will serve as the National Fund Manager (NFM) and bear full responsibility for the performance, compliance, and outcomes of the award. While consortiums are permitted, the lead applicant must independently demonstrate sufficient experience and capacity to carry out all core responsibilities of the NFM, including capital raising, fund design and management, investment oversight, compliance, and impact reporting. Any experience or qualifications contributed by a consortium may be considered; but this does not diminish or replace the lead applicant's sole accountability to HUD. Applicants must clearly identify the roles and responsibilities of the lead applicant and any other participating organizations and describe how the lead applicant will maintain oversight and control of all program activities. HUD will place primary emphasis on the demonstrated experience and capacity of the lead applicant to ensure effective program implementation and accountability under this pilot initiative. Applicants must include resumes for all key personnel identified in the staffing plan as attachments to the application. These resumes will not count toward the 25-page narrative limit. A. Relevant Lending Experience Maximum Points: 25 Applicants must demonstrate significant experience in impact investing, community finance, or related fields. - Applicants should describe at least 10 years of experience in impact investing, community finance, housing finance, or related financial sectors, in addition to having experience with managing a financial portfolio of at least a comparable size of this funding opportunity. The experience should include deploying flexible or blended capital, either directly or through intermediaries, to support: - Home repairs; - Habitability improvements; and - Environmental health or housing safety upgrades. - Applicants should have a track record of investing in communities or markets with limited access to traditional financing, including areas with demonstrated	

Criterion	Max point s = 100
financing gaps, low access to credit, or other measurable market constraints and provide specific examples of funds managed, investments deployed, and outcomes achieved. B. Relevant Fund Design and Management Experience Maximum Points: 25 Applicants must demonstrate experience in designing, launching, and managing mission-driven investment funds, particularly those focused on housing, community development, or public health outcomes. Applicants should describe: • Experience serving as a fund administrator or manager, including designing and implementing funds or financial facilities. • Demonstrated capacity to manage all major aspects of fund operations, including: ○ Financial analysis ○ Investment underwriting and due diligence ○ Portfolio construction ○ Risk management • Evidence of organizational stability, including: ○ Financial health ○ Governance structure ○ Leadership continuity • A clear staffing plan, including key personnel, their roles, and relevant qualifications. • Experience developing impact metrics and reporting systems, particularly systems that provide transparent reporting to public agencies, philanthropic partners, investors, and community stakeholders. Past Fund Management Performance Review HUD may consider an applicant's past performance managing funds and may review information from sources including: • OMB-designated governmentwide performance repositories, as described in 2 CFR 200.206(a)	

Criterion	Max point s = 100
- Financial and programmatic reporting history - Audit reports and findings - Compliance with Federal grant requirements C. Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) or Letters of Agreement If the application includes multiple organizations applying as a consortium, the lead applicant must submit a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or Letter of Agreement signed by an authorized executive of each organization. The lead applicant, as the NFM, will retain sole responsibility and accountability to HUD for all aspects of program performance, compliance, and outcomes, regardless of any roles assigned. The MOU or Letter of Agreement must: - Be on the lead applicant's organizational letterhead - Clearly identify the lead applicant - Describe the roles and responsibilities of each consortium organization - Clearly state that consortium organizations will operate under the direction, oversight, and control of the lead applicant - Confirm the parties' commitment to collaborate throughout the entire period of performance - Be signed and dated by authorized representatives of all organizations in the consortium, on either the same document or in counterpart document, and either manually or electronically (under the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (15 U.S.C. Ch 96)). If any applicant participates in multiple applications, the MOU/Letter of Agreement must indicate this and provide a list of all applications in which the organization is participating. If MOUs/Letters of Agreement are incomplete, this will be considered a curable deficiency. However, a signed MOU/Letter of Agreement must be submitted by the application deadline for the organization to be considered an eligible participant. If an MOU/Letter of Agreement is not submitted, the applicant cannot receive points for experience attributed to that organization. Experience or qualifications of organizations in the consortium may be considered in the application review; however, such experience will not substitute for the lead applicant's demonstrated capacity to perform all core functions of the NFM.	
Rating Factor 2: Soundness of Approach	50 max

Criterion	Max points = 100
	points
Applicants must describe their proposed strategy for designing, capitalizing, and managing the Fund. HUD will evaluate the quality, feasibility, and cost-effectiveness of the proposed approach. Applicants should clearly demonstrate how their proposed activities will advance the purpose of the program, including mobilizing public and private capital to accelerate lead hazard reduction and healthy homes repairs. A. Fund Design and Creation Maximum Points: 10 Applicants must describe: • Their understanding of the financial and structural barriers faced by repair organizations, homeowners, and small landlords in making homes lead-safe and healthy, particularly in low-income communities. • How the Fund will be designed to address those barriers. • Their approach to clearly defining how the Fund's activities are expected to lead to measurable results, including identifying specific goals, the steps needed to achieve them, and how progress and success will be tracked using concrete performance indicators (e.g., number of homes made lead-safe, types of hazards addressed, and improvements in housing conditions) in collaboration with HUD, investors, and other partners. • How the Fund will be responsive to local needs and market conditions, including plans to create an investee community of practice that will structure a network of investees and partners that regularly share knowledge, best practices, tools, and lessons learned, and receive ongoing technical assistance and training to improve program delivery and outcomes. B. Fund Capitalization Maximum Points: 15 Applicants must describe: • Their strategy to capitalize the Fund within the first 18 months, including: ○ Confirmed or prospective investors (including the basis for including each confirmed investor and each prospective investor) ○ Types of capital expected (e.g., grants, debt, equity, guarantees) • Their plan for completing the legal, governance, and administrative steps required to establish the Fund.	

Criterion	Max point s = 100
• Their approach to developing financial products that address gaps in home repairs such as lead hazard reduction, lead remediation/abatement, and related healthy home interventions in low-income communities. • A description of how capital will flow: ○ From public and private investors into the Fund, including the role of the initial HUD award as catalytic capital to attract additional investment ○ From the National Fund Manager to investees (i.e., state, regional, and local financing intermediaries) ○ From investees to borrowers (i.e., homeowners or landlords) ○ For loan products, how repayments (principal and interest) will flow back to the Fund ○ How recycled capital (e.g., loan repayments) will be redeployed within the Fund • A clear explanation of the financial structure of the Fund, including how investors are providing capital to the Fund (e.g., as lenders, equity investors, or grantors). • Plans for the disposition of remaining capital and any program income generated through Fund activities at the end of the 42-month pilot period, including options such as: ○ Reinvestment or redeployment of recycled capital into additional eligible lead-safe and healthy homes activities ○ Return of funds to investors ○ Transition to a permanent or successor fund C. Deal Sourcing and Origination Maximum Points: 10 Applicants must describe: • How they will identify and engage potential investees, such as: ○ State housing finance agencies ○ Credit unions ○ Mission-driven housing organizations • Their approach to financial, legal, and impact due diligence to evaluate	

Criterion	Max point s = 100
potential investments. • Their plan for reviewing the investment pipeline with HUD and investors on a quarterly basis. D. Portfolio Management, Reporting, and Investor Relations Maximum Points: 15 Applicants must describe: • How investments will be monitored to ensure compliance with federal lending regulations, including Regulation B (12 CFR Part 202, and/or 12 CFR Part 1002, both named Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B)), as applicable, and, if the NFM or any subrecipients are, or use the services of FDIC-supervised institutions, regulations on advertising related to lending under this NOFO (12 CFR Part 338–Fair Housing). • How the Fund will monitor compliance with applicable Federal, state, and local requirements for loans and grants, including requirements governing lead-safe work practices, clearance testing, and contractor qualifications for lead hazard control and healthy homes interventions. • How remediation work will be monitored and validated, including: ○ Pre- and post-repair inspection processes ○ Documentation requirements (e.g., work specifications, completion reports, and clearance documentation where applicable) ○ Use of qualified inspectors, third-party verification, or equivalent quality assurance mechanisms • Enforcement tools available to the Fund Administrator, such as: ○ Corrective actions • How compliance issues will be identified and resolved • The process investees will use to report financial activity, program outcomes, and expenditures to the Fund Administrator • Plans for impact measurement and reporting, including quarterly reporting to HUD, investors, and other stakeholders • The creation and management of an investment committee, including investor and stakeholder representation, to provide oversight and feedback on transactions.	

This NOFO does not offer any preference points.

3. Other Factors

Your application must respond to the following additional criteria.

a. Budget

The panel will evaluate 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 any awards, HUD will evaluate each applicant's likelihood of successfully carrying out the project. Here's what HUD looks at:

Past Performance:

- Government-wide performance data, as noted in [2 CFR 200.206\(a\)](#)
- Public sources like news reports, Inspector General findings, Government Accountability Office reports, and complaints proven to have merit
- History of managing Federal awards (if applicable), including on-time reporting, meeting planned goals, and following previous award rules. And, the extent to which any previously awarded amounts will be expended prior to future awards
- Reports from past audits, including those performed under 2 CFR part 200, subpart F—Audit Requirements
- History of finishing activities on time and using any promised matching or leveraged funds

Organizational Health:

- Financial stability
- Quality of management systems and ability to meet the management standards in 2 CFR part 200
- Ability to follow all required laws and rules
- Capacity, including staffing structures and capabilities

Results:

- Ability to promote self-sufficiency and economic independence
- Number of people served or targeted for assistance

HUD may use the results of the risk review to make final funding decisions and/or set specific conditions on the award.

D. Selection Process

When making award funding decisions, HUD will consider:

- Threshold review results, including eligibility requirements.
- Merit review results.
- Risk review results.

To the extent allowed by law, HUD may also consider:

- The scope of the overall projected impact on the program and administrative goals and priorities in this NOFO.
- Reasonableness of the estimated costs to the government.
- The applicant's readiness to conduct the proposed work.
- Likelihood that the proposed project will result in the benefits expected.
- Broad range of recipients beyond recurrent recipients.
- Geographic dispersion.
- All else being equal, preference for applicants with lower indirect cost rates.
- Applicants with demonstrated success in implementing Gold Standard Science (applicable to research awards).
- Applicants with potential to produce immediate results and potential for longer-term, breakthrough results, based on the goals of this NOFO (applicable to research awards).

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.
- Withdraw an award offer and make an offer of funding to another eligible application, if terms and conditions are not finalized or met timely.
- 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.

HUD expects to make a single award under this NOFO. Selection will be made based on rank order of merit review scores, subject to eligibility, threshold, and risk review. The highest-ranking eligible application that passes the risk review will be selected for award, provided it meets program requirements and demonstrates sufficient capacity, feasibility, and readiness to successfully implement this pilot demonstration.

E. Award Notices

If your application is 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. The notice may also include HUD-imposed award conditions 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

A. Deadlines

B. Submission Methods

C. Other Submissions

D. False Statements

VI. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

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

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:

09/14/2026

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. An 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 Submission Information

1. Intergovernmental Review

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

2. Technical Application Errors

HUD will contact you to fix a [technical error](#) with your timely application after the due date. Use the following submission requirements to respond to 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.

The HUD notice will allow between 48 hours and 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 is closed, then the due date moves to 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 on your application, or during any part of the performance phase of an award, can lead to serious consequences. Those consequences include but are not limited to: fines, repayment, restitution, prison time, termination of any HUD award, and being banned from receiving any future HUD award and doing business with the federal government (18 USC 1001, 18 USC 1012, 18 USC 1010, 18 USC 1014, 18 USC 287, 31 USC 3729 et seq., 31 USC 3801-3812, FAR Part 9.4, 2 CFR Part 180, other remedies in your HUD award).

VII. POST - AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

VII. Post-Award Requirements and Administration

- A. Administrative, National and Departmental Policy Requirements and General Terms and Conditions
- B. Environmental Requirements
- C. Remedies for Noncompliance
- D. Reporting

VII. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

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 – 2026](#):

Administrative

1. Build America, Buy America (BABA) (Sections 70901-52 of [Public Law 117-58](#); [41 U.S.C. 8301 et seq](#); and [2 CFR Part 184](#))
2. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act ([42 U.S.C. § 4601 et seq.](#); [49 CFR part 24](#); and applicable program regulations)
3. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ([2 CFR part 200](#))
4. HUD requirements related to safeguarding resident/client files consistent with [2 CFR 200.303\(e\)](#)
5. The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) ([2 CFR part 170](#))
6. Eminent Domain
7. Participation in HUD-Sponsored Program Evaluation ([12 U.S.C. 1701z-1](#); 12 U.S.C. 1702z-2; [24 CFR part 60](#); and [FR-6278-N-01](#))
8. The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) ([5 U.S.C. § 552\(b\)](#) and [24 CFR 15.107\(b\)](#))
9. Presidential Executive Actions affecting federal financial assistance programs
 - [Executive Order \(EO\) 14332](#) (*Improving Oversight of Federal Grantmaking*)
 - [EO 14303](#) (*Restoring Gold Standard Science*)
 - [EO 14219](#) (*Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Deregulatory Initiative*);
 - [EO 14218](#) (*Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders*);
 - [EO 14202](#) (*Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias*);
 - [EO 14205](#) (*Establishment of the White House Faith Office*)
 - [EO 14182](#) (*Enforcing the Hyde Amendment*);
 - [EO 14173](#) (*Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity*);
 - [EO 14168](#) (*Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government*)
 - [EO 14151](#) (*Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing*); and

- [EO 14148](#) (*Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions*)

Civil Rights and Other Protections

10. The Fair Housing Act ([42 U.S.C. 3601-3619](#)) and Civil Rights laws (24 CFR 5.105(a))
11. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements ([42 U.S.C. § 3608\(e\)\(5\)](#) and [24 CFR 5.150 et seq](#))
12. Economic Opportunities for Low-and Very Low-income Persons ([12 U.S.C. § 1701u](#) and [24 CFR part 75](#))
13. Compliance with Immigration Requirements ([8 U.S.C. § 1601-1646](#); [8 U.S.C. § 1324a](#) ("Unlawful employment of aliens"); and [Executive Order 14218](#), *Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders*)
14. Accessible Technology requirements ([29 U.S.C. § 794d](#); [29 U.S.C. 794](#); and [42 U.S.C. 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))
15. Ensuring, when possible, the consideration of small businesses, minority businesses, women's business enterprises, veteran-owned businesses, and labor surplus area firms consistent with [2 CFR 200.321](#)
17. Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities requirements ([29 U.S.C. § 794](#) and implementing regulations at [24 CFR parts 8](#) and [100](#); [28 CFR part 35](#))
18. Applicable Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) requirements in the Housing Chapter of VAWA ([34 U.S.C. § 12491-12496](#)); [24 CFR part 5, subpart L](#); and program-specific regulations
19. Trafficking in persons ([Section 106\(g\) of the Trafficking Victims Protections Act of 2000 \(TVPA\), as amended 22 U.S.C. § 7104\(g\)](#) and implementing regulations at [2 CFR part 175](#))

Environmental

20. Environmental requirements that apply in accordance with [24 CFR part 50](#) or [part 58](#); [42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.](#)

Business Integrity

21. 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
22. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunication and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment ([41 U.S.C. § 3901](#) and [2 CFR 200.216](#))
23. Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and Whistleblower Protections ([41 U.S.C. § 4712](#))
24. Drug-Free Workplace ([2 CFR part 2429](#))

In addition, if any part or provision of the award agreement or terms of this NOFO are enjoined or held to be void or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, they shall be ineffective as to such jurisdiction and only to the extent of such prohibition or injunction and shall not

invalidate or affect the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions and applications of the Agreement and Notice. In the event the enjoinder of such provisions is stayed, dissolved, or reversed, the full terms of the award agreement and NOFO, including such provisions, will automatically become effective. This clause is self-executing and will become effective, binding, and enforceable automatically upon issuance of this NOFO.

Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to engage in illegal racial discrimination including racial preferences.

Awards made under this NOFO will not be distributed in a way that violates or otherwise is used to interfere with constitutional protections guaranteed for speech and religious beliefs and the free exercise of religion.

Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to fund any project, service provider, or organization that operates illegal drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 856, knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 863. This is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.332(b)(2), all agreements or contracts made with subrecipients under this NOFO must contain the same terms and conditions as those in the grant agreement issued by HUD. Any conflicting terms and conditions must be approved by HUD.

B. Environmental Requirements

1. Environmental Review

You must follow these environmental review requirements, including regulations at:

Except for specific grant-funded administrative actions, cleaning and maintenance activities, environmental review of specific sites proposed for addressing lead-based paint and healthy home issues must be completed prior to implementation including the execution of contract(s) for project service(s).

The responsible entity that is designated under 24 CFR 58.2(a)(7)(ii) will (per 24 CFR 58.1(b)(7) and 58.4(a)) perform environmental reviews of proposed activities under part 58.

If a responsible entity objects to performing the environmental review, or the recipient objects to the responsible entity performing the environmental review, HUD may, under section 58.11, designate another responsible entity to perform the review under part 58 or perform the review itself under part 50.

Reasonable expenses incurred for completion of environmental reviews are eligible expenses under this NOFO.

For all activities assisted under this NOFO, recipients and other participants are prohibited from undertaking or committing or expending HUD or non-HUD funds on a project or activities under this NOFO (other than activities listed at 24 CFR 58.34, 58.35(b) or 58.22(f), e.g., lead-based paint inspections, radon sampling and analysis, health hazard assessments) until the

responsible entity completes an environmental review including the submission, and HUD approval, of a Request for Release of Funds and the recipient's Environmental Certification (both on Form HUD 7015.15), or, for environmental reviews under part 50, until HUD approval of the property is received.

The grant application constitutes an assurance that the applicant will comply with this prohibition until HUD approval of Form HUD 7015.15. The applicant will supply HUD with all available, relevant information necessary for completion of any required environmental review. Additionally, the application constitutes an assurance that the recipient will require funding entities to carry out mitigating measures or deny assistance to a particular property as required by HUD. The results of an environmental review may require that proposed activities be modified, or proposed sites rejected.

Maintenance activities require a limited form of environmental review and documentation in the environmental review record; examples of maintenance work versus rehabilitation work are defined in the HUD Memo CPD-16-02 "Guidance for Categorizing an Activity as Maintenance for Compliance with HUD Environmental Regulations, 24 CFR Parts 50 and 58" issued 2/8/2016.

For technical assistance with environmental reviews during the period of performance of a grant under this NOFO, contact olhchhpecos@hud.gov

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.

3. Lead-Based Paint Requirements

You must follow the lead-based paint rules below if you fund any work on pre-1978 housing. This includes buying, leasing, support services, operating, or work that disturbs painted surfaces.

- [HUD's rules](#) (Lead Disclosure Rule; and Lead Safe Housing Rule).
- EPA's rules ([Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule](#), and [Lead Abatement, Inspection and Risk Assessment Rule](#)).

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; or
- in the case of a partial termination, if HUD determines that the remaining portion of the award will not accomplish the purposes for which the HUD award was made.

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.

If a recipient fails to comply with award requirements, HUD may take appropriate actions in accordance with 2 CFR 200.339 through 200.343, including imposing special conditions or other remedies as necessary.

D. Reporting

HUD requires recipients to submit 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.

Further, the Recipient hereby acknowledges that HUD is in the process of implementing new grants management and reporting tools for all records pertinent to the Federal award.

Recipient agrees to report on grant performance and financial activities (including vendor and cash disbursement supporting details for the Recipient and its Subrecipients) using these new tools when they are released and to satisfy occasional requests for records pertinent to the federal award, consistent with the requirements for recordkeeping, access to records, and reporting laid out in 2 CFR part 200, which may be amended from time to time. HUD will work with the Recipient to support its transition to the new reporting tools. HUD reserves the right to exercise all of its available rights and remedies for any noncompliance with these grants management and financial reporting requirements, to include, without limitation, requiring additional or more detailed financial reports, suspension of disbursements, and all other legally available remedies, to the furthest extent permitted by law.

Report	Description	When
Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA)	- Awards equal to or 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	See 2 CFR Appendix A to Part 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	See 2 CFR Appendix-XII to Part 200 I.(d)

Report	Description	When
	Federal award • See Appendix XII to 2 CFR 200 • Submit via SAM.gov	
Progress Report	• Summary of progress status • Work to be performed during the next reporting period • Any anticipated risks and plans to mitigate those risks	Each grant quarter
Federal Financial Report, SF-425	• Summary of key financial data • See 2 CFR 200.328	See 2 CFR 200.328 or award terms

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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: Larry Byrd

Phone: (202) 402-8078

Email: olhchh.nofa@hud.gov

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

2. Paper Application Waiver Request

Name: Larry Byrd

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HUD Organization: Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

Street: 451 Seventh St. SW (8236)

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.

You may request a debriefing on your application for this NOFO after public announcement of

awards under the NOFO and up to 120 days later, at which time debriefings will be scheduled in collaboration with you. You may appeal the award decision on your application, with or without a debriefing (although HUD recommends that you obtain one), providing your basis for appealing, to the Director, Grants Services Division, HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHHs), 451 Seventh St. SW (8236), Washington, DC 20410-3000 or email: olhchh.nofa@hud.gov.

Please note: the correct email address listed in this section includes "NOFA" (olhchh.nofa@hud.gov), even though the term "NOFO" is used throughout this Notice of Funding Opportunity.

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](#) to learn background on some of the NOFO requirements.

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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 person with legal authority to: give assurances, make commitments, submit your application, and enter into agreements with HUD. They also have [special permissions](#) to act on behalf of their organization within the Grants.gov system.

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 in [2 CFR 25.100\(b\)](#).

Threshold Requirements are eligibility requirements you must meet before HUD rates your application for funding.

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

2. Program Definitions.

Blended Capital: The strategic use of public, philanthropic, and private capital in a single investment structure to improve financing terms, reduce risk, or increase the scale of investment in projects that produce measurable public or social benefits.

Capitalization: The process of raising and assembling financial resources to establish and operate the Fund, including contributions from public, philanthropic, and private investors.

Community of Practice: A structured forum for collaboration and knowledge exchange among Fund investees and partners designed to share best practices, lessons learned, and

technical assistance related to financing lead hazard reduction and healthy homes interventions.

Financial Intermediary: A firm that borrows from consumer/savers and lends to companies that need resources for investment. (Financial intermediaries are contrasted to investors in capital markets, which contract directly with firms, creating marketable securities.) (Adapted from Gary Gorton and Andrew Winton. Financial Intermediation. National Bureau of Economic Research. NBER Working Paper No. 8928. May 2002. <https://www.doi.org/10.3386/w8928>.)

Impact Investing: Investments made with the intent to generate measurable social or environmental outcomes in addition to financial returns.

Investee: An organization that receives capital from the Fund to finance home repairs or lead-safe and healthy housing interventions. Investees may include state housing finance agencies, credit unions, nonprofit lenders, revolving loan funds, or other mission-driven housing finance entities.

Investment Committee: A governance body established by the National Fund Manager to review, advise on, and approve investment decisions made by the Fund. The committee may include representatives of investors, subject-matter experts, and other relevant stakeholders.

Investor: An organization that provides capital or funding to the Fund with the expectation of receiving a return on their investment consistent with the organization's mission, in this case, the production of lead-safe and healthy homes in low-income communities.

Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Interventions: Housing improvements that reduce or eliminate lead hazards and address other health and safety risks in the home, including lead hazard control, remediation of environmental hazards, and other repairs that improve housing conditions and occupant health.

Mezzanine-Level Fund: A financing structure that operates between investors and local lenders or program operators, providing capital to intermediaries rather than directly to homeowners or landlords.

National Fund Manager (NFM): The entity selected under this NOFO to design, capitalize, administer, and manage the Lead-Safe and Healthy Homes Financing Fund, including raising capital, sourcing investments, managing the investment portfolio, and reporting outcomes to HUD and investors.

APPENDIX II.

Guidance for Preparing a Budget and Narrative:

To fill out the budget information requested on the SF-424A, review the general instructions provided for the SF-424A and follow the instructions outlined below. The budget reported on SF-424A must include a yearly breakdown of costs for the entire project period. Specifically, the budget reported on SF-424A should provide a detailed cost breakdown for each line item outlined in the SF-424A by year, including a breakdown of costs for each activity/cost within the line item. The budget must separate out funding that is administered directly by the applicant from any funding that will be sub-grants.

SF-424A Instructions

Section A – Budget Summary (Note: A blank SF-424A can be found [here](#))

- Grant Program Function or Activity (column a) = grant activity means the type of financial assistance expected under this NOFO: 1) cooperative agreement; 2) non-cash contribution or donation of property; 3) direct appropriation; 4) other assistance, including: loan, loan guarantee, interest subsidy, and insurance.
- New or Revised Budget, Federal (column e) = Enter the Total Federal Budget Requested by grant activity for the project period, in rows 1 through 4. In row 5, reflect the sum of the amount for the Federal Total.
- New or Revised Budget, Non-Federal (column f) = Enter Total Amount of any Non Federal Funds Contributed (if applicable), by grant activity for the project period, in rows 1 through 4. In row 5, reflect the sum of the amount for the NonFederal Total.
- New or Revised Budget, Total (column g) = Enter Total Budget Proposed by grant activity for the project period in rows 1 through 4. In row 5, reflect the sum of the amount for the Federal and Non-Federal Totals.

Section B – Budget Categories

- Enter the total costs requested for each Object Class Category (Section B, number 6) for all years of the total project period.
- If the class categories are not known at the time of application, include the expected budget under row h.
- If indirect charges are expected and included on the form, the charges must be calculated based on either the federal-approved negotiated indirect cost rate, or the 15 percent de minimis rate, as allowed by [2 CFR 200.414](#).

Section C – Non-Federal Resources

- Applicants must identify all non-Federal resources contributing to the project, including:
 - Cash contributions
 - In-kind contributions
 - Leveraged or matching funds
- Applicants must clearly describe:
 - The source of non-Federal funds
 - Whether funds are committed or pending
 - The use of non-Federal resources in supporting eligible activities

Section D – Forecasted Cash Needed

- Enter each quarter in the first year of the project period, enter the cash needs anticipated.

Section E – Budget Estimates of Federal Funds Needed for Balance of the Project

- Column (b) First = Enter the total federal funds needed for the second year of the project period, for each grant activity. Reflect the sum of funds from all activities for the second year in row 20.
- Column (c) Second = Enter the total federal funds needed for the third year of the project period, for each grant activity. Reflect the sum of funds from all activities for the third year in row 20.
- Column (d) Third = Enter the total federal funds needed for the fourth year of the project period, for each grant activity. Reflect the sum of funds from all activities for the fourth year in row 20.
- Column (e) Fourth = Enter the total federal funds needed for the second year of the project period, for each grant activity. Reflect the sum of funds from all activities for the second in row 20.