

76, approved January 17, 2014) and the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Pub. L. 113–6, approved March 26, 2013). This document notifies the public of funding awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 and announces the names, addresses and the amount awarded to the winners to conduct research and evaluation of the following projects: Moving To Work Evaluation, Jobs Plus Evaluation, and Small Area Fair Market Rent Demonstration Evaluation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ophelia Wilson, Office of University Partnerships, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 402–4390. To provide service for persons who are hearing-or-speech-impaired, this

number may be reached via TTY by Dialing the Federal Relay Service on (800) 877–8339 or (202) 708–1455. (Telephone number, other than “800” TTY numbers are not toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for the Research and Evaluation, Demonstrations and Data Analysis and Utilization initiative is: 14.536. On March 12, 2015, HUD posted a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on Grants.gov announcing the availability of approximately \$5.20 million for the Research and Evaluation, Demonstrations and Data Analysis and Utilization initiative. Under this initiative, HUD awarded cooperative agreements to three entities to conduct research and evaluation of the following projects: Moving to Work Evaluation,

Jobs Plus Evaluation, and Small Area Fair Market Rent Demonstration Evaluation.

The Department reviewed, evaluated, and scored the applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications below, in accordance with section 501 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z–1) and the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014 as included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law 113–76, approved January 17, 2014) and the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113–6, approved March 26, 2013). More information about the winners can be found at www.hud.gov.

Applicant/Address	Project	Amount of award
MDRC, 16 East 34th Street, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10016–4326, Contact: David Greenberg.	Jobs Plus Evaluation	\$1,474,920
Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, Washington, DC 20037–1207, Contact: Diane Levy.	Moving to Work Evaluation	\$2,171,076
Abt Associates, Inc., 55 Wheeler Street, Cambridge, MA 02138–1168, Contact: Mary Holin.	Small Area Fair Market Rent, Demonstration Evaluation	\$849,737

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Announcement of Funding Award for Fiscal Year 2015 Authority To Accept Unsolicited Proposals for Research Partnerships

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD

ACTION: Announcement of Funding Awards.

SUMMARY: The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014, (Pub. L. 113–76, approved January 18, 2014) (FY 2014 appropriation) authorizes the Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) to enter into noncompetitive cooperative agreements for research projects that are aligned with PD&R’s research priorities and where HUD can gain value by having substantial involvement in the research activity. Research projects must be funded at least 50 percent by philanthropic entities or other Federal, state or local government agencies. This document announces the names, addresses and the amount awarded to entities selected to undertake research projects for PD&R.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Madlyn Wohlman Rodriguez, Office of University Partnerships, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 8226,

Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 402–5939. To provide service for persons who are hearing-or-speech-impaired, this number may be reached via TTY by Dialing the Federal Information Relay Service on 800–877–8339 or 202–708–1455. (Telephone number, other than “800” TTY numbers are not toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 21, 2014 at 79 FR 15766, HUD announced Authority to Accept Unsolicited Proposals for Research Partnerships. The authority that Congress provided HUD to enter into noncompetitive cooperative agreements for research is a central tool for research collaborations that informs important policy and program objectives. Under this authority, HUD awarded cooperative agreements to nine entities to undertake the following research projects:

Applicant/Address	Project	Amount of award
Region I: Abt Associates, Inc., 55 Wheeler Street, Cambridge, MA 02138–1168, Contact: Jeffrey Lubell.	Evaluation of Compass FSS Programs	\$191,396.00
Region II: Columbia University, 615 West 131st Street, Room 254, Mail Code 872, New York, NY 10027–7922, Contact: Christopher Mayer.	Understanding the Market for Reverse Mortgages	257,288.00
New York University, 665 Broadway Suite 801, New York, 10012, Contact: Ingrid Gould Ellen.	High Cost Cities, Gentrification, and Voucher Use: Exploring Access to Quality Homes and Neighborhoods.	102,901.00
Region III:		

Applicant/Address	Project	Amount of award
Old Dominion University, 4111 Monarch Way, Norfolk, VA 23508, Contact: Joshua Behr.	Modeling Temporary, Interim and Permanent Housing Demand & Capacity for Medically Fragile and Vulnerable Populations.	175,000.00
Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, Washington, DC 20037-1207, Contact: Susan Popkin.	Housing Opportunity and Services Together Demonstration (HOST II).	201,259.00
Region IV: Policy and Economic Council, 6409 Fayetteville Road #240, Durham, NC 27713, Contact: Michael Turner.	Rental Payment Data: Improving Renter's Financial Security Through Credit Reporting Payment Data.	18,000.00
Region V: Case Western Reserve University, 10900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44106-7015, Contact: Mark Joseph.	HOPE VI Data Compilation and Analysis	73,848.00
Region VI: University of Texas San Antonio, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio, TX 78249-1664, Contact: Harriet Romo.	Economic Boom in Eagle Ford Shale: Impacts on Accessible and Affordable Housing for Vulnerable Populations.	284,853.00
Region IX: University of California, San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive #9034, La Jolla, CA 92093-0934, Contact: Tara Hutchinson.	Light Gauge Cold-Formed Steel Framed Building Shake Table Test Program.	200,000.00

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Housing Counseling Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: January 29, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or

speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Siebenlist, Director, Office of Housing Counseling, Policy and Grants Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email brian.n.siebenlist@hud.gov or call 202-402-5415. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Siebenlist.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Housing Counseling Program.
OMB Approval Number: 2502-0261.
Type of Request: Extension.
Form Numbers: SF-424, SF-424Suppl, SF-424CB, SF-LLL, HUD-27300, HUD-2880, HUD2990, HUD-2991, HUD-2994, HUD-96010, HUD-9902, HUD-9910.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Housing Counseling organizations submit information to HUD through Grants.gov when applying for grant funds to provide housing counseling assistance to eligible homebuyers to find and purchase affordable housing; Housing Counseling organizations also use grant funds to assist renters to avoid evictions; help the homeless find

temporary or permanent shelter; report fair housing and discrimination. HUD uses the information collected to evaluate applicants competitively and then select qualified organizations to receive funding that supplement their housing counseling program. Post-award collection, such as quarterly reports, will all HUD to evaluate grantees' performance. This collection of information includes renewal of various HUD forms, including the HUD-9000 which is the Housing Counseling Approval Application, and form HUD-9902, Housing Counseling Agency Activity Report. Additionally, it covers the collection of client level activities, client financial leverage data, and agency profile information.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,873.

Estimated Number of Responses: 17,384.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Hours per Response: 15.

Total Estimated Burdens: 16,625.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

- (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who