

### Subpart A—General

#### § 963.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to enhance the economic opportunities of public housing residents by providing public housing agencies with a method of soliciting and contracting with eligible and qualified resident-owned businesses (as defined in this part) for public housing services, supplies, or construction. The contract award method provided by this part is based on the established procurement procedures set forth in 24 CFR 85.36, with solicitation as provided by these procedures limited to resident-owned businesses. The contract award method provided by this part is not a requirement. It is an alternative procurement method available to public housing agencies, subject to the conditions set forth in this part, and subject to permissibility under State and local laws.

#### § 963.3 Applicability.

The policies and procedures contained in this part apply to public housing developments that are owned by public housing agencies (PHAs) and that are covered by Annual Contributions Contracts (ACC) with the Department. Public housing contracts eligible to be awarded under the alternative procurement process provided by this part are limited to individual contracts that do not exceed \$1,000,000. Resident-owned businesses eligible to participate in the alternative procurement process are limited to those that meet the eligibility requirements of § 963.10. The policies and procedures contained in this part are consistent with the objectives of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), and similar Federal requirements imposed on public housing programs. (See 24 CFR 941.208(a) and 24 CFR 968.110(a)).

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#### § 963.5 Definitions.

The terms *HUD* and *Public housing agency (PHA)* are defined in 24 CFR part 5.

*Act.* The U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437).

*Alternative procurement process.* The alternative method of public housing contract award available to public housing agencies and eligible resident-owned businesses under the conditions set forth in this part.

*Annual Contributions Contract (ACC).* See definition in 24 CFR 968.105.

*Certification.* A written assertion based on supporting evidence, which shall be kept available for inspection by the Secretary, the Inspector General, and the public, which assertion shall be deemed to be accurate for purposes of this part, unless the Secretary determines otherwise after inspecting the evidence and providing due notice and opportunity for comment.

*Contract or public housing contract.* Any contract awarded by a PHA for services, supplies, or construction necessary for the development, operation, modernization, or maintenance of public housing.

*Management officials.* The individuals who possess the power to make the day-to-day, as well as major, decisions on matters of management, policy, and operations of the resident-owned business.

*Principal.* An owner, partner, director, or management official of the resident-owned business with the power and authority to represent the business and to execute contract, leases, agreements, and other documents on behalf of the business.

*Public housing or public housing development.* Any public housing development which is owned by a Public Housing Agency (PHA) and is receiving funds under an Annual Contribution Contract (ACC).

*Public housing resident.* Any individual who resides in public housing as a signatory on a public housing lease, or as a member of the family of the individual(s) who is the signatory on the public housing lease.

*Resident-owned business.* Any business concern which is owned and controlled by public housing residents. (The term “resident-owned business” includes sole proprietorships.) For purposes of this part, “owned and controlled” means a business:

- (1) Which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more public housing residents; and