

failed to adequately preserve and protect the property, failed to timely secure a homesteader for the property, or received excessive consideration for conveyance of the property, HUD may direct the LUHA to repay to HUD either the amount of compensation HUD finds that the LUHA has received for the property or the amount of section 810 funds expended for the property, as HUD determines appropriate.

[54 FR 23937, June 2, 1989, as amended at 61 FR 7063, Feb. 23, 1996]

## PART 594—JOHN HEINZ NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

### Subpart A—General

Sec.

- 594.1 Applicability and purpose.  
594.3 Definitions.

### Subpart B—Eligibility

- 594.5 Eligible applicants.  
594.7 Other threshold requirements.  
594.10 Eligible activities.

### Subpart C—Funding Allocation and Criteria

- 594.15 Allocation amounts.  
594.17 General criteria for competitive selection.

### Subpart D—Award and Use of Grant Amounts

- 594.20 Submission procedures.  
594.23 Approval and certification procedures.  
594.25 Project administration.  
594.28 Environmental reviews.  
594.30 Equal opportunity and other Federal requirements.

AUTHORITY: 42 U.S.C. 3535(d) and 5318a.

SOURCE: 60 FR 16359, Mar. 29, 1995, unless otherwise noted.

### Subpart A—General

#### § 594.1 Applicability and purpose.

(a) *General.* This part establishes as a permanent program the John Heinz Neighborhood Development Program, as authorized by section 832 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. Previously, the program had been administered by the Depart-

ment as a demonstration program under section 123 of the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983 (42 U.S.C. 5318 note).

(b) *Purpose.* The program is intended to assist communities to become more viable, by providing incentive funds to carry out neighborhood development activities that benefit low- and moderate-income families. The program objectives are to increase the capacity of neighborhood organizations, promote long-term financial support for their neighborhood projects, and encourage greater participation of neighborhood organizations with private and public institutions.

#### § 594.3 Definitions.

*Empowerment zone* means an area designated by HUD as an Empowerment Zone under 26 U.S.C. 1391-1393.

*Enterprise community* means an area designated by HUD as an Enterprise Community under 26 U.S.C. 1391-1393.

*Grantee* means an eligible neighborhood organization that executes a grant agreement with HUD under this part.

*Low- and moderate-income persons* means families and individuals whose incomes do not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by the Secretary of HUD in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 5302(a)(20).

*Neighborhood development funding organization* means:

(1) A depository institution, the accounts of which are insured pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1811 et seq., or the Federal Credit Union Act, 12 U.S.C. 1751 et seq., and any subsidiary (as such term is defined in 12 U.S.C. 1813(w)) thereof;

(2) A depository institution holding company and any subsidiary (as such term is defined in 12 U.S.C. 1813(w)) thereof; or

(3) A company at least 75 percent of the common stock of which is owned by one or more insured depository institutions or depository institution holding companies.

*Neighborhood development organization* means the same as the term is defined in § 594.5.

*Rural neighborhoods.* In small cities with under 10,000 in population and in rural areas, a neighborhood area can be

## § 594.5

the same unit as the unit of general local government.

*Unit of general local government* means a city, town, township, county, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a State; an urban county; the Federated States of Micronesia; the Marshall Islands; or a general purpose political subdivision thereof.

[60 FR 16359, Mar. 29, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 5211, Feb. 9, 1996]

### Subpart B—Eligibility

#### § 594.5 Eligible applicants.

(a) *General requirements.* To be eligible under this program, a neighborhood development organization must be located within the neighborhood for which assistance is to be provided. It cannot be a city-wide consortium, or, in general, an organization serving a large area of the city. The applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

(1) The organization must be incorporated as a private, voluntary, non-profit corporation under the laws of the State in which it operates;

(2) The organization must be responsible through a governing body to the residents of the neighborhood it serves, and not less than 51 percent of the members of the governing body must be residents of the neighborhood;

(3) The organization must have conducted business for at least one year;

(4) The organization must operate within an area that meets at least one of the following criteria:

(i) The area meets the requirements for Federal assistance under section 119 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5318;

(ii) The area is designated as an Enterprise Community or Empowerment Zone under Federal law as enacted;

(iii) The area is designated as an enterprise zone under State law and is recognized by the Secretary as a State enterprise zone for purposes of this part; or

(iv) The area is a qualified distressed community within the meaning of section 233(b)(1) of the Bank Enterprise Act of 1991, 12 U.S.C. 1834a(b)(1); and

(5) The organization must have conducted one or more eligible neighbor-

## 24 CFR Ch. V (4–1–08 Edition)

hood development activities that primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons.

(b) *Special eligibility.* Any facility that provides small entrepreneurial business with affordable shared support services and business development services and that meets the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section may also be eligible to participate in this program.

#### § 594.7 Other threshold requirements.

In addition, an applicant must meet the following threshold requirements:

(a) Specify a management business plan for accomplishing one or more of the eligible activities specified in § 594.10;

(b) Specify a strategy for achieving greater long-term private sector support, especially in cooperation with a neighborhood development funding organization; and

(c) Specify a strategy for increasing the capacity of the applicant.

#### § 594.10 Eligible activities.

Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) Developing economic development activities that include:

(1) Creating permanent jobs in the neighborhood; or

(2) Establishing or expanding businesses within the neighborhood;

(b) Developing new housing, rehabilitating existing housing, or managing housing stock within the neighborhood;

(c) Developing delivery mechanisms for essential services that have lasting benefits to the neighborhood; and

(d) Planning, promoting, or financing voluntary neighborhood improvement efforts.

### Subpart C—Funding Allocation and Criteria

#### § 594.15 Allocation amounts.

(a) *Amounts and match requirement.* HUD will make grants, in the form of matching funds, to eligible neighborhood development organizations. HUD reserves the right to make grants for less than the maximum amount established by statute, and to limit the number of times a previous grantee can