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GENERAL NEWS

HUD to Host Build America, Buy America Virtual Education Outreach Event

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) has <u>announced</u> that it will be hosting a virtual education outreach event on the Build America, Buy America Act (<u>BABA</u>) requirements. HUD invites recipients of federal financial assistance from HUD to join the event.

According to the announcement, the informational session is intended to provide participants with guidance on compliance with BABA regulations, share valuable BABA resources, facilitate discussions, and address any questions or concerns participants may have. Representatives from several HUD offices will attend, including Public and Indian Housing, Office of Community Planning and Development, and Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

The informational session will take place on **November 9, 2023**, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. Attendees may submit any questions or topics of interest in advance of the session to <u>buildamericabuyamerica@hud.gov</u>. Register <u>here</u> to receive an invitation to join the webcast.

The Build America, Buy America Act, enacted as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act on November 15, 2021, established a domestic content procurement preference for all federal financial assistance obligated for infrastructure projects. The Act requires that all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in covered infrastructure projects are produced in the United States.

You can find more information and resources on the BABA Office of General Counsel <u>webpage</u> and on the recently launched BABA HUD Exchange <u>webpage</u>.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS NEWS

HUD Modifies FY 2023 Implementation Grants NOFO

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) <u>announced</u> that it has made the strategic decision to add the anticipated FY 2024 Choice Neighborhoods appropriation to the FY 2023 Implementation Grants notice of funding opportunity (<u>NOFO</u>). The NOFO currently makes available approximately \$259 million, and once the FY24 budget passes, those additional funds will be added to this amount accordingly.

HUD has modified the NOFO to provide prospective applicants with additional time to apply. The application due date for a new implementation grant is now **February 13, 2024**. The March 4, 2024, due date for a supplemental grant application remains unchanged. The NOFO modification also incorporates the 2023 update of the total development cost (TDC) limits into the grant sizing calculation.

You'll find more information on <u>this page</u> at HUD's <u>Funding Opportunities</u> website and <u>here</u> at <u>grants.gov</u>.



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