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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Posts CY 2023 EDSC Guidance

On the [CY 2023 operating fund grant processing webpage](#), HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) posted a [guidance document](#) for the calendar year (CY) 2023 Elderly/Disabled Services Coordinator (EDSC) program. The document notes that the EDSC program is not the same as the former ROSS-Elderly and Persons with Disabilities program or the current ROSS-Service Coordinators program—only PHAs that received funding in 1995 through the EDSC program are eligible to receive operating fund (OpFund) grant to finance this activity. The document states that eligible PHAs may obtain their CY 2023 EDSC funding level by multiplying their total CY 2022 EDSC funding level by the CY 2023 PEL inflation factor and making a reasonable allocation to the project level at the discretion of the PHA. The CY 2023 [EDSC listing by PHA](#) was also posted. Both documents are dated March 17, 2023. Further details can be found in the [guidance](#).

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Publishes Final Waiver to BABA Provisions

On February 21, 2023, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published a [proposed waiver](#) to delay the implementation of the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requirements for most of its programs until 2024. Comments on the proposed waiver were due on March 2, 2023. Today HUD issued the [final waiver](#) in the *Federal Register*. The implementation schedule established by HUD in this final waiver can be found on page 17003 of the notice (PDF page 3). The waiver is effective March 15, 2023.

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.



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