

sampling, to assess the knowledge of particular protected classes versus the national average. Specific protected classes of interest are African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, families with children, and persons with disabilities.

Agency form numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: 2,500 individuals will be surveyed. Average time to complete the survey is 30 minutes. Respondents will only be contacted once. Total burden hours are 1,250.

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: April 2, 2004.

Harold L. Bunce,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4909-N-03]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment on the Continued Participant Tracking in the Moving to Opportunity Demonstration Program

AGENCY: Office of Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* June 11, 2004.

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: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Todd Richardson, Program Evaluation

Division, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8140, Washington, DC 20410; (202) 708-3700, extension 5706 for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended). This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Continued Participant Tracking in the Moving to Opportunity Demonstration Program.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This request is for the clearance of several survey instruments designed to collect information on the current locations of participants in the Moving to Opportunity (MTO) demonstration program. The instruments also have a small number of outcome measures, such as employment. Authorized by Congress in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, MTO is a unique experimental research demonstration designed to learn whether moving from a high-poverty neighborhood to a low-poverty neighborhood significantly improves the social and economic prospects of poor families. Families living in high poverty public and assisted housing in Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles and New York who applied for MTO were randomly assigned into two treatment groups and one control group between 1994 and 1998. Families assigned to the treatment groups were provided Section 8 to allow them to move out of the high poverty

developments. Families in one of the treatment groups received intensive mobility counseling and were required to lease a unit in a neighborhood with less than ten percent poverty. The other treatment group families could lease a unit wherever they chose, but only received the normal housing authority counseling. Those families assigned to the control group did not receive any Section 8 assistance but continued to receive project-based assistance.

This data collection is necessary to continue to track the families who signed up for the Moving to Opportunity program in order to measure impacts and mediators in 2007, approximately 10 years after families signed up for the program.

Data gathered would be used by Abt Associates to provide HUD with continued information on where families are living so that the final evaluation will have as little sample attrition as possible.

Agency form numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Approximately 1,430 households over 4 years are expected to complete an 8-minute mail survey, 3,226 households will respond to the 19-minute family canvass form in 2006. Total burden hours for this data collection are estimated at 1,214.

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending OMB approval.

Authority Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: April 2, 2004.

Harold L. Bunce,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4859-FA-02]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 Urban Scholars Fellowship Award Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ACTION: Announcement of funding awards.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the HUD Urban Scholar Fellowship Program is to

provide encouragement to new scholars to undertake research now, and throughout their careers, on topics of interest to HUD. In accordance with the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1970, Title V, the purpose of this document is to announce to the public the names, research topics, and amounts awarded to the winners for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Brunson, Office of University Partnerships, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 8106, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-6000, telephone (202) 708-3061, extension 3852. 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) 877-8399, or 202-708-1455. (Telephone numbers, other than the two "800" numbers, are not toll free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Urban Scholars Fellowship Program is administered by the Office of University Partnerships Under the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

Eligible applicants for the Urban Scholar Fellowship Program include only Ph.D.'s who have an academic appointment at an institution of higher education and have received their Ph.D. no earlier than January 1, 1998. The Urban Scholar Fellowship Program provides each participating scholar up to \$55,000 for expenses such as salary for two summers, graduate assistants to work on the research project, partial cost of paying for replacements to cover a reduced course load, computer software, the purchase of data, and travel expenses to collect data and make presentations at meetings.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.518.

On October 10, 2003 (68 FR 57768), HUD published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announcing the availability of approximately \$550,000 from the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution (Pub. L. 108-7; approved February 20, 2003), Division K for the Research and Technology Program, Office of Policy Development and Research for this program. Applications were reviewed, evaluated, and scored based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications announced below, and in accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, U.S.C. 3545), the Department

is publishing details concerning the recipients of funding awards, as set forth below.

List of Awardees for Grant Assistance Under the FY 2003 Urban Scholars Fellowship Program Funding Competition, by Name, Institution, Research Topic and Grant Amount

New England

1. Scott W. Allard, Brown University, Department of Political Science, 36 Prospect Street, Providence, RI 02912. Title of Project: Access to Social Services in Urban America. Grant Amount: \$54,590.

2. Pascale Joassart-Marcelli, University of Massachusetts, Department of Economics, 100 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125. Title of Project: Closing the Gap between Housing and Job Locations: The Role of Rental Assistance Programs. Grant Amount: \$54,975.

New York/New Jersey

3. Niki T. Dickerson, Rutgers University, Department of Labor Studies and Employment, 50 Labor Center Way, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Title of Project: Residential Segregation and Access to Economic Opportunity for Blacks and Latinos. Grant Amount: \$52,920.

Mid-Atlantic

4. Tama Leventhal, Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies, Wyman Building 546, 3400 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218. Title of Project: The Influence of Neighborhood Transformation on Child and Adolescent Well-Being. Grant Amount: \$55,000.

Midwest

5. Christopher DeSousa, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Department of Geography, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Title of Project: Increasing residential development activity on urban brownfields: An examination of redevelopment trends, developer perceptions, and future prospects. Grant Amount: \$51,084.

Midwest

6. Nancy Theresa Kinney, University of Missouri, St. Louis, Department of Political Science SSB 347, 8001 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, MO 63121-4499. Title of Project: Strengthening the Participation of Faith-Based Organizations in Community Development: the Promise and Peril of the Congregational Spin-off Process. Grant Amount: \$55,000.

Southeast/Caribbean

7. Casey J. Dawkins, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, 211 Architecture Annex, Urban Affairs and Planning (0113), Blacksburg, VA 24061. Title of Project: Racial Gaps in the Transition to First-Time Homeownership: the Role of Residential Segregation. Grant Amount: \$53,164.

Southeast/Caribbean

8. Kristin E. Larsen, University of Florida, Department of Urban and Regional Planning P.O. Box 115706, Gainesville, FL 32611-5706. Title of Project: Defining Characteristics and Implementation: Analysis of Housing Trust Funds With a Focus on Florida's SHIP Program. Grant Amount: \$52,862.

Pacific/Hawaii

9. Thomas Davidoff, University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business, Berkeley, CA 94720. Title of Project: Prospects for Expansion of the U.S. Reverse Mortgage Industry. Grant Amount: \$50,492.

10. Stephanie Dyer, Sonoma State University, 222 Baja Avenue, Davis, CA 94928-3609. Title of Project: Markets in the Meadows: How Suburban Shopping Centers Changed the American City, 1920-1980. Grant Amount: \$53,276.

Dated: March 18, 2004.

Darlene F. Williams,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4732-N-06]

Modification of the Statutory and Regulatory Waivers Granted to New York State for Recovery from the September 11, 2001, Terrorist Attacks

AGENCY: Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of waivers granted.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public of modifications of the waivers of regulations and statutory provisions granted to the State of New York for the purpose of assisting in the recovery from the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on New York City. This notice describes an eligibility waiver and a change to alternative requirements related to public benefit documentation for the Empire State Development Corporation's retail recovery grant (RRG) program.