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TO: Tribal Leaders and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs)

FROM: Jacqueline Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, PN

**TOPIC: Indian Housing Drug Elimination Program (IHDEP)** 

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Funding and Application Process

Funding Available: Approximately \$22,000,000 in FY 1999 (\$11 million) and FY 2000 (\$11 million) funds is being made available for IHDEP grants to eliminate drugs and drug-related crime in American Indian and Alaskan Native communities.

Eligible Applicants: Indian tribes and recipients of assistance under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA recipients) are eligible to apply for funds.

Application Information: If you are a tribe or TDHE that submitted a Public and Indian Housing Drug Elimination Program (PIHDEP) application under the February 26, 1999, PIHDEP Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), you do not need to submit another IHDEP based on the instructions in the new FY 1999 -2000 IHDEP NOFA. This application will be considered complete unless you receive notification from the AONAP in your jurisdiction informing you of technical deficiencies that must be corrected in order for your application to be considered eligible for review. However, because of the changes that are Native American specific to this FY 1999 - 2000 IHDEP NOFA, we strongly suggest that you update the application that you submitted by the new IHDEP deadline which is July 10, 2000 (which is 60 days after the date of publication in the Federal Register which was May 11, 2000). Please be advised that the new IHDEP NOFA contains changes in the five rating factors for evaluating applications for award and in the grant award amounts. If you need specific information or data from the application that you submitted in response to the February 26, 1999 NOFA, please contact the appropriate AONAP in your jurisdiction to obtain the information that you need.

If you are a tribe or TDHE that responded to the Notice Withdrawing and Reissuing the FY 1999 PIHDEP NOFA published May 12, 1999 (64 FR 25746), you will need to submit the required information in the FY 1999 - 2000 IHDEP application kit which contains all of the required forms and certifications for the IHDEP NOFA.

To Obtain an Application Kit: Please call the Public and Indian Housing

Resource Center at 1-800-955-2232. You may also obtain a copy from the Internet via the HUD-ONAP web site which is: www. codetalk.fed.us. If you need further information about the IHDEP, please contact your local AONAP. We have attached a copy of the IHDEP NOFA for your reference.