# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

#### [Docket No. FR-5997-N-72]

#### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Transfer and Consolidation of Public Housing Programs and Public Housing Agencies

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

# ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD submitted the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 30 days of public comment.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: December 7, 2017.

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: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202–395–5806, Email: *OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov.* 

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QMAC, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email *Colette.Pollard@hud.gov*, or telephone 202–402–3400. This is not a toll-free number. Person with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A. The **Federal Register** notice that solicited public comment on the information collection for a period of 60 days was published on June 27, 2017 at 82 FR 29091.

#### A. Overview of Information Collection

*Title of Information Collection:* Transfer and Consolidation of Public Housing Programs and Public Housing Agencies.

OMB Approval Number: 2577–0280.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

# TOTAL BURDEN HOUR ESTIMATES FOR PHAS

*Form Number:* No form is used to collect this information. Forms collected with information incidental to this collection are: HUD–52190–A, HUD–53012–A, HUD–53012–B, HUD–52722, HUD–52723, HUD–51999, SF–1199A, HUD–27056, HUD–27054A, HUD–52540.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: State legislatures or other local governing bodies may from time to time direct or agree that the public interest is best served if one Public Housing Agency (PHA) cedes its public housing program to another PHA, or that two or more PHAs should be combined into one multijurisdictional PHA. This proposed information collection serves to protect HUD's several interests in either transaction: (1) Insuring the continued use of the property as Public Housing; (2) that HUD's interests are secured; and (3) that the Operating and Capital subsidies that HUD pays to support the operation and maintenance of Public Housing is properly paid to the correct PHA on behalf of the correct properties. In addition to submitting documentation to HUD, PHAs are required to make conforming changes to HUD's Public Housing Information Center (PIC).

Total Estimated Burdens:

Number of transfer or consolidation actions	Number of respondents	Frequency of requirement*	×	Estimated average time for requirement (hours)	Estimated = annual burden (hours)
3 Transfers	6	1		120	720
2 Consolidations	4	1		200	800
Subtotals	10				

\* The frequency shown assumes that the receiving or consolidated PHA makes one submission for all other PHAs involved in either the transfer or consolidation.

### **B. Solicitation of Public Comment**

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) 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) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to 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.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: November 1, 2017.

### Colette Pollard,

Department Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 2017–24213 Filed 11–6–17; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4210–67–P

# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5997-N-71]

### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

## ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 30 days of public comment.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: December 7, 2017

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: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax:202–395–5806, Email: OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, QMAC, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email Anna P. Guido at *Anna. P. Guido*<sup>®</sup> *hud.gov* or telephone 202–402–5535. This is not a toll-free number. Person with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

The **Federal Register** notice that solicited public comment on the information collection for a period of 60 days was published on June 16, 2017 at 82 FR 27716.

#### A. Overview of Information Collection

*Title of Information Collection:* Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program.

OMB Approval Number: 2506–0133. Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Number: HUD–40110–B, HUD– 40110–C, HUD–40110–D, SF–424, SF– LLL, and HUD–2991.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The current paperwork reduction act approval under OMB Control No. 2506-0133 covers both the HOPWA formula and competitive grant programs. The competitive grant program includes new competitive grants and renewal grants. The information collection requirements pertain to grant application submission requirements which will be used to rate applications, determine eligibility, and establish grant amounts. HOPWA plans to continue using form HUD-40110-B, **HOPWA** Competitive Application & Renewal of Permanent Supportive Housing Project Budget Summary, as a component of determining applicant

eligibility and establishing grant amounts for competitive grants. Limited technical edits are proposed for form HUD-40110–B. HOPWA competitive and renewal application submission also require submission of the following forms: SF424; SFLLL; and HUD-2991. Form HUD-2991 is currently covered under OMB approval number 2506– 0112.

The addition of narratives to address the five HUD standard rating factors will allow HUD to rate application and further determine eligibility and establish grant amounts. Applicants applying for HUD competitive funds are required to respond to these five rating factors in narrative form. These narratives will complement the currently approved budget summary form, and allow HUD to determine if applicants are proposing projects within statutory and regulatory limitations. The five HUD standard rating factors include: Factor 1: Capacity of the Applicant and Relevant Organizational Staff; Factor 2: Need/Extent of the Problem; Factor 3: Soundness of Approach; Factor 4: Leveraging Resources; and Factor 5: Achieving Results and Program Evaluation. New HOPWA competitive applicants will be required to respond to each rating factor within the page limits establish in the grant solicitation. HOPWA renewal applicants will also be required to respond with narratives, but the information will be more limited and focused on continued compliance with the HOPWA program activities originally awarded until their initial grant application.

The reporting and recordkeeping for both HOPWA formula and competitive grant programs are also included in this approval. Technical edits are proposed for forms HUD-40110-C and HUD-40110–D, and are limited to updating outdated references and information currently contained in the forms. Grantees provide annual information on program accomplishments that supports program evaluation and the ability to measure program beneficiary outcomes related to: maintaining housing stability; preventing homelessness; and improving access to care and support. Competitive grantees report through HUD-40110-C, the HOPWA Annual Performance Report (APR); Formula grantees report through HUD-40110-D, the HOPWA Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). Grantees are required to report on the activities undertaken only. HUD systematically reviews and conducts data analysis in order to prepare national and individual grantee performance profiles that are not only

used to measure program performance against benchmark goals and objectives, but also to communicate the program's achievement and contributions towards Departmental strategic goals.

Completed technical edits incorporated into forms covered by this proposed information collection, as discussed above.

### I. HUD–40110–B, HOPWA Competitive Application & Renewal of Permanent Supportive Housing Project Budget Summary

a. *Cover page description.* The statement, "Selections of applications for funding under the HOPWA Program are based on the rating factors set forth in the SuperNOFA for Housing and **Community Development Programs and** the criteria established in the annual HOPWA renewal notice for those permanent supportive housing grantee's seeking renewal funding." changed to, "Selections of applications for funding under the HOPWA Program are based on the rating factors set forth in the published Notice of Funding Award (NOFA) and the criteria established in the annual HOPWA renewal notice for eligible permanent supportive housing grantees seeking renewal funding." This edit reflects a change in Departmental process that now each program office releases a NOFA when funding is available to be awarded.

b. *Cover page description.* The public reporting burden was updated on the budget form to show the number of hours it would take to complete the renewal grant application versus the new competitive grant application.

c. *Transparency Act Compliance.* This section of the form was removed. All grantees are required to enter this information into Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) Federal Subaward Reporting System (FSRS) so it is no longer necessary to collect this information here.

d. *Applicant Certifications.* Language from Appendix A of 24 CFR part 87 was added to cover the certification regarding lobbying for all applicants.

## II. HUD–40110–C, HOPWA Annual Performance Report (APR)

a. Cover page and Overview pages. i. *Descriptive paragraph.* The number of burden hours was updated.

ii. *Recordkeeping.* HMIS overview of HOPWA elements were updated to reflect current HMIS elements.

iii. *Filing Requirements.* The physical address was updated to include the correct room number.

iv. *Program Income.* The citation was updated to reflect new 2 CFR 200 requirements.

b. Part 2: Grantee Narrative and Assessment

i. E. *Unmet Housing Need.* This section was removed. Grantees are no longer required to report on local unmet need.

c. Part 3: Summary Overview of Grant Activities

i. *Section 3: Households.* The link to HUD-published area median income was updated.

#### III. HUD–40110–D, HOPWA Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

a. Cover page and Overview pages.

i. *Descriptive paragraph.* The number of burden hours was updated.

ii. *Recordkeeping.* HMIS overview of HOPWA elements were updated to reflect current HMIS elements.

iii. *Filing Requirements.* The physical address was updated to include the correct room number.

iv. *Program Income*. The citation was updated to reflect new 2 CFR 200 requirements.

b. Part 1: 5. Grantee Narrative and Performance Assessment

i. d. *Unmet Housing Need.* This section was removed. Grantees are no longer required to report on local unmet need.

c. Part 3. Accomplishment Data

i. *Opening paragraph.* References to reporting in IDIS were removed. Grantees are no longer required to use IDIS for the reporting of Accomplishment Data.

d. Part 7: Summary Overview of Grant Activities

Section 3: Households. The link to HUD-published area median income was updated *Respondents* (*i.e.* affected public): HOPWA competitive and renewal grant applicants, and all HOPWA formula, competitive, and renewal grantees.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Responses per year	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Total hours	Hourly cost	Annualized cost
HOPWA Renewal Application (including HUD-40110-B, narratives, and other requirements listed in the renewal no- tice)	28.00	1.00	28.00	15.00	420.00	\$23.85	\$10,017.00
HOPWA Competitive Application (includ- ing HUD-40110-B, narratives, and	20.00	1.00	20.00	13.00	420.00	φ20.00	\$10,017.00
other requirements listed in the NOFA) HUD-40110-C Annual Progress Report	40.00	1.00	40.00	45.00	1,800.00	23.85	42,930.00
(APR) HUD-40110-D Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report	99.00	1.00	99.00	55.00	5,445.00	23.85	129,863.25
(CAPER) Recordkeeping for Competitive, Re-	128.00	1.00	128.00	41.00	5,248.00	23.85	125,164.80
newal, and Formula Grantees Grant Amendments (budget change, ex-	227.00	1.00	227.00	60.00	13,620.00	23.85	324,837.00
tension, or early termination)	30.00	1.00	30.00	6.00	180.00	23.85	4,293.00
Total	552.00	-	552.00	-	26,713.00	-	637,105.05

Renewal grants are awarded for a three-year operating period. Currently, there are 82 eligible renewal grantees. The number of respondents listed for HOPWA renewal applications represents one-third of the renewal grantees, or the estimated number of grantees projected to renew HOPWA grants each year. The number of respondents listed for HOPWA competitive applications represents the number of respondents expected to submit an application if funding becomes available in the next three years. Form HUD-40110-C, the APR is submitted by all renewal and competitive grantees on an annual basis. The number of respondents for the APR include 82 renewal grantees, eight (8) current HOPWA competitive grantees, and nine (9) potential competitive grantees, if funding becomes available.

HOPWA grantees and applicants may be required to respond to more than one piece of information collection. The total number of respondents include: 82 renewal grantees, eight (8) current HOPWA competitive grantees, 40 potential competitive applicants, and 128 current HOPWA formula grantees. The total of 552 total annual responses captures each unique response from the 258 respondents. All annualized costs reflect staff time spent on tasks in the table. The hourly rate is based on a GS– 9 for Rest of United States. 26,713 hours \* \$23.85 = \$637,105.05

#### B. Solicitation of Public Comment

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HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: October 31, 2017.

### Anna P. Guido,

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