Tennessee Cauc us Agenda
Thursday, March $3^{\text {rd }}, 11$ AM EST- 3 PM
Knoxville Leadership Foundation, The Regas Building, 318 N Gay Street, Knoxville, TN Optional tour of the new KLF Offices to follow the meeting

1) Welcome and Introductions (Retha Patton, Vonda Poynter)
2) Review Previous Minutes and Action Items pp.3-8
3) Special Guest Introductions - Chip Willis - HFH of Cleveland, TN; Sha una Oden - Loudon Co. HFH; Don Watt, Cynthia Peraza - THDA; Ashley Nelson \& Craig Knutson - USDA RD
4) Member Updates
5) New Member Application - HPH of Cleveland, TN (Tom C arew, Chip Willis) p.9-10
6) Fahe UPDATES (J im King)
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8) Financial Ratio Worksheets - Questions? (Eric Haralson)
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10)Housing Finance Agency Disc ussions (Don Watt, Cynthia Peraza - THDA)
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b. New Sta rt (20 min)
c. Blight Elimination Program
d. ARC - Appalachian Renovation Loan Program pp.14-16
11)J ustChoice Lending (Da vid Brock)
10) Budget and Policy Updates (Tom) pp.17-19
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## 13) Community Lending

a. CDFI Bond - 10M forrental (David Howard)
14) Caucus Chair Eections (coming up in June)
15) Quarterly Reporting (J ackie Weiss)
16) Slots and Certific ations (J a c kie)

Next Caucus Meeting - Dates: ??? Location?

## Upcoming Events

- Quarterly Reporting - Deadline for Quarter End ing 3/31/16 - Fri. April 15th
- NTI Los Angeles, CA: May 2-6- Slot Registration Deadline: March 7th
- Fahe Spring Retreat- May 17-18, Fahe Office, Berea
- NTI Detroit, MI: August 8-12
- Fahe Annual Meeting - September $7^{\text {th }} \& 8^{\text {th }}$, (Board Mtg $\left.8^{\text {th }}-9^{\text {th }}\right) ~ \sim$ The Hotel Roanoke \& Conference Center, Roanoke, VA


## *** Optional Tour of the NEW KLF Offices following the meeting!!

# TN Caucus Meeting Minutes - November 4, 2015 HomeSource east tennessee ~109 Winona St, Knoxville <br> 10am-3pm Eastem 

## Page 1: Attendance

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| MemberGroup | Representatives | Present | Absent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aid to Distressed Fa milies of App. Counties (ADFAC) | Cindy Ross | X |  |
|  | Connie Ball | X |  |
| Appalachia HabitatforHumanity |  |  | X |
| Appalachia Service Project | Laura Kelly | X |  |
| Blount County Habitat forHumanity | Tony Gibbons | X |  |
| Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise |  |  | X |
| Clinch-Powell RC\&D Council | Lindy Tumer | X |  |
|  | Sabrina Seamon | X |  |
|  | Kelsey Cook | X |  |
| CAP of North of Alabama (CAPNA) |  |  | X |
| Creative Compassion | Sha ron Brown | X |  |
|  | Sarah Bates | X |  |
| Crossville Housing Authority | Don Alexander | X |  |
| Eastem Eight CDC | Tim Hylton | X |  |
|  | Aleisha Stames | Chuck Mason |  |
|  | Mindy Bowman | Mark Fleury |  |
|  | Kim Carmichael | Retha Patton |  |
| FoothillsCDC | Kelly Spears | X |  |
|  | Bill Beatty | X |  |
| Hale Empowement \& Revitalization Org. (HERO) |  |  | X |
| HomeSource east Tennessee | Christopher Osbom | X |  |
|  | Jackie Mayo | X |  |
|  | Pat Sitton |  |  |
|  | Matt Eldridge |  |  |
| Kingsport Housing \& Redevelopment Authority | Maria Catron | X |  |
| Knoxville Habitat forHumanity | Stephanie Kesick-Street | X |  |
|  | Kelle Shultz |  |  |
| Knoxville Leadership Foundation | Adam Montgomery | X |  |
| Neighborhood Housing Services- Birmingham |  |  | X |
| GUESTS | Don Watt | THDA |  |
|  | Coralee Holloway | THDA |  |
|  | Emily Lingerfelt | East TN Housing Dev. |  |
|  | Shemy Trent | J ohnson City HA |  |
|  | Shannon Roberson | USDA RD - TN |  |
|  | Ashley Nelson | USDA RD - TN |  |
|  | Sheila Hampshire | USDA RD - TN |  |
|  | Chip Willis | HFH Cleveland TN |  |
| Fahe STAFF | David Howard | Sara Morgan |  |
|  | Angela Stephens | Pam Johnson |  |
|  | Eric Haralson | J im King |  |
|  | Tom Carew |  |  |

85.7\% Attendance: 12 of 14 TN Members present, those in red had no representative in attendance.

FOR Fahe Staff

| ACTION IIEM | DEADUNE |
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| Develop a plan to improve partic ipation of AL <br> members | For next cauc us meeting |

FOR Fahe Members

| ACTION IIEM | DEADUNE |
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| Stay in touch with USDA State director in regards to <br> "rural in nature" counties. | ASAP |

1) Welc ome and Guest Introductions (Retha Patton, Tom C arew)

Retha welcomed the guests

## 2) Review Previous Minutes and Action Items

Motion made and seconded to approve minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

## 3) Member Updates, Highlights

## Eastem Eight

- New program - Self-Help - Clark Co. subdivision 5 homes being started
- 4 more new construction starting next week in Ha mony Ridge subdivision (Kingsport)
- Having their a nnual meeting next week. Will be celebrating
- Counseling numbers are up, a round 90 one-on-one counseling and 300 in HBE
- Just bought an RD foreclosure at auction
- Apartment renovation - 5 units
- Youth Build with AB\&T
- Gearing up their Realty division, have hired a realtor
- Wells Fargo CDFI Fellow - Kim Carmichel will be going to the conference in Detroit


## Kingsport Housing

- Construction/Rehab: Working on rental assistance demonstration grant - public housing units. Looking at possible conversion of the portfolio out of Public housing into project based rental assistance (voucher-based) housing
- Completed closure in their choice neighborhood area. Relocating tenants out of the bad conditions and looking to rehab into decent, safe, suitable housing.

Guest- East TN Housing Emily Lingerfelt - plugging along in the Lonsdale comm. Started 2 homes, in lease purchase agreements. Working on deal with a single household, tiny home to start early next year.

## Knoxville Leadership Foundation

- Will round out the year with 10 new homes - 8 are complete already, 2 more in process
- 85-100 Repairs will be complete by the end of the year
- Multi-Family - Dunlap Gardens, doing well
- Homebuyer readiness program just sold its $7^{\text {th }}$ house to a partic ipant


## Crossville Housing Authority

- Playing with RAD/CHAP as well looking to convert about $1 / 3$ of their units
- Self-Help Subdivision, all lots a re sold, not all built yet
- Infrastruc ture in process for their next subdivision, water/ sewer/ streets (45 lots)


## Blount Co. HFH

- Just winding down construction on 2 more homes to finish out the year
- 65 Housing repairs, 10 more to go
- Have been authorized by board to use 502 Direct
- Workforce Dev. With local HS, lea ming construction skills on the home site, going well
- Just represented HFH at a congressional hearing


## Foothills CDC

- Doing a lot of great things with RD - appreciate the work of the USDA folks in the room.
- 9 houses under construc tion right now. Finding lots has become diffic ult, only scattered site, no large plots.
- Also, contract out all the work and have found recently that contractors are very busy, not as readily available asthey've been in the past. Would like to know if others are having the same experience on both lots \& labor.


## HomeSource east tennessee

- Welcomed \& thanked all for coming today
- 8 units purchased in west Knoxville and converted to affordable housing now 20 altogether, most are 4-plexes
- 2015 was a busy year, big increase for Homebuyer Educ ation including Foreclosure mitigation
- Over 30 Seniors signed up fortheir program
- Just hired a part-time bi-lingual counselor

Guest- Don Watt, THDA - the new Coralee, looking forward to working with everyone

## Knoxville HFH

- Celebrating $30^{\text {th }}$ year and building $500^{\text {th }}$ house. Pa rtners with WATE so getting lots of free public ity for affordable housing in Knoxville.
- Just celebrated 1 year in their new ReStore location in downtown west.
- Suc cessfully transferred 84 mortgages to Fa he
- As of last week got a $\$ 105 \mathrm{~K}$ grant from Trinity Foundation for Veteran's housing. Going to take houses that they get back (Habitat houses) and rehab and sell to Vets.


## ADFAC

- A couple of new RD houses under construction
- Some Rehabsin process
- Housing Trust Fund rental project, first ever for ADFAC
- Big Fundraiser was last week, still recovering
- Big News - partner in a program that just rec'd. \$3 Million dollars to do 230 Extreme Energy Makeovers in 1 year.

Guest-Coralee Holloway, THDA - counting down the days to retirement, glad to be with us one more time, will be helping transfer responsibilities over to Don between now and the end of the year.

## Creative Compassion

- 3 homes under construction, when they get close to closing, will start 3 more
- Have done $1^{\text {st }} d r a w ~ o n ~ t h e i r ~ H O M E ~ g r a n t, ~ i n s p e c t i o n ~ n e x t ~ w e e k ~$
- Starting $2^{\text {nd }}$ house in J amestown with HOME funds, $3^{\text {rd }}$ should start at the first of the year
- White Co., things are slower, not as much civic leadership help, ha rder to cultivate
- HBE - a couple of group classesthat have been very suc cessful
- Looking at HUD Certific ation, busy overall
- Sarah - Resource Dev. doing very well. Has been to several community events to set up and get good feedback, leads on clients, takestime.
Guest - Shemy Trent, J ohnson City HA - waiting on CHAP to get sta rted on RAD with their rental units so they can apply for some LHTC money. Focusing on Vets too, a partments, with the help of THDA's Trust fund money a nd FHLB.
Guest - Ashley Nelson, USDA RD - TN - lots of loans going on right now, getting rea dy to roll out their "paperless" program.


## Clinch-Powell RC \&D

- Busy - finished year w/200 counseling clients
- 1 NC , 2 RH going right now
- Hoping to get 2 more NC started immediately
- A couple of packages in the pipeline
- Finished up a couple of rentals as well


## Appalachia Service Project

- 625 Home repair fa milies this year, about 125 of those are in TN
- 9-10 New Construction homes in east TN this year and hope to be able to do 15 next year.
- Veteran housing - "Race to Build" partnering with Bristol Motor Speedway spring race

GUEST- Chip Willis - HFH Cleveland, $\mathbb{T N}$ - New Exec. Dir. has been there a month. Just getting ready to celebrate their $25^{\text {th }}$ Anniversary \& 124 homes, will be honoring 2 volunteers that have been part of building each of those homes.

Disc ussion about participation of Ala bama members and plan forforming a separate caucus occurred. Capacity and distance are challenges. Fahe Staff need to think about and present plan forencouraging/improving the participation of the Alabama groups.

Update on Appalachia HFH - Hoping that they will survive but are very busy trying to ensure that will happen so have not been available to attend the meetings. The hope is that once things are stable that they will be active members again.
Update on Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprises - Martina planned on being here but got called to a meeting with the city and unable to attend today. She intends to participate going forward.

Update on HOME (Tom) - See email from last Fri. Bottom line is that Congress and the President have signed off on a budget agreement. The good news is that more money is available to be allocated amongst the programs. HOME is still in jeopardy, it goes back to the House and Senate committees to come up with the numbers a nd negotiate final numbers. House side - Hal Rogers will be a champion for HOME. La mar Alexander of TN is on the appropriations committee so you still have time to reach out to him. , if OMNIBUS passes, it will camy through the end of the Federal FY.
Tony's Comments: The message doesn't need to be fancy, just make sure it gets sent.
Jim's Comments: Make those calls; they need to hearfrom us. Ma ke it clear with your fa mily stories that this fa mily would not have been able to be helped if not for HOME dollars.

## 4) OPEN DISCUSSION

Taxing Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Projects (Retha) - Hearing this Friday 11/6. In some ca ses, because the property is affordable housing, the rents aren't even enough to cover the tax bill. Eddie Latimer will represent us in the hearing if needed. There is no reason for people to show up to the hearing but additional letters would have some weight. Eric to distribute a letter that groups can clean up, personalize. Jim suggested using the examples of what Ohio and Kentucky have done.
5) Extended Session on Financial Analysis and Ratios Enic Haralson provided the members with their individual reports at the previous TN Caucus meeting. He reviewed the findings of the a nalysis of Fahe organizations and provided an overview/explanation on the a nalysis. He will share the PowerPoint presentation with everyone. Eric is available to assist members with financial a nalysis on their organization and can work with presentation to the board - some items are fee for service.
6) Budget and Policy Updates (Tom)
a) HOME - see above
b) USDA - TN has money per Ashley. Reviewing "rural in na ture" counties- keep in touch with state director asthey will have a great deal of impact on the decision as to what areas keep their "rural" status.
7) Program Initiative Updates (Pa m J ohnson)
a) CDF Bootcamp - see Jim's comments below
b) Housing Plus - see Jim's comments below
8) Housing Finance Agency Discussions-THDA (Coralee \& Don)
a) HOME- workshop Jan. 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Blount Co. Library
b) Putting out 2015 \& 2016 money to get caught up, if the 2016 is less than a million, they will put all that money into CHDO. Definitions, commitments have changed drastic ally; make sure you understand all the changes.
c) Fall Round of HIF - 33 applications received, some changes will be proposed to the board forthe Spring Round.
d) Appreciation award to Coralee for her many years of service
e) New Start - How many folks submitted program partnership applications? 4-no due date or cut-off time but for all programs going forward, they will be required. As soon as the application packets are rec'd and approved they will start issuing allocation projections. Committee will be reviewing them all at once so the sooner you get them in the better.
f) New Program: 12 Loan Program - Acquisition/Rehab, find qualified, low income borrowers $\$ 112,500$ max, 620 Credit Sc ore. Information sheets were distributed. Email your questions: cparaza @thda.org . $\$ 2$ Million of THDA funds- this will go to the board for approval in Nov.
g) Blight Elimination Program - flyer distributed. Program Pa rtner applic ation must be filled out. 501c 3 only. Identify the property, supply pictures, etc. must be able to get clear title. 40 loans $-\$ 25 \mathrm{~K}$ max. up to 5 draws in stages, long process. Own the property for 3 years, no code violations if you aren't building within 60 days. Affordable housing for rental or homeownership. Shelby, Montgomery, Davison, Rutherford, Knox, Ha milton Cos. Only.
9) J ust Choice Lending (David Howa rd, Sara Morgan)

- Clinch-Powell, Ea stem 8 and Creative Compassion all were in the secondary loan drawing this quarter, Creative is the winner.
- David distributed product sheet/matrix of the J CL Loan products.
- Special Money - had been for 2nds for New Start, didn't move so have pemission to use that money for $1^{\text {st }}$ Mortg. in the city of Knoxville; also Sullivan, Knox, Claibome and a ny counties contiguous to those. 28 yrs./ $3 \%$, La ura will send out a term sheet. Credit sc ores above 620-ish, if there are special circumsta nces, LTV, if you have a deal, call Laura and we'll see what can be done. Would like to see it move quickly, not a lot of strings attached.

10) Fahe Updates (J im King ) - Everything that we a re doing, we try to fit into 2 strategies

- Important to us - What do we do to protect? advocating for HOME, USDA 502, etc. the things we need to keep the doors open, allow us to do the work we need to do.
- What's next, what do we need to do different - CDFI Bootcamp, Power Sa ver Mortgage; piloting a product - Heat Squad - Energy Effic iency Rehab; Elderly and Housing; House Design, paring down the cost of a house;
- New Strategic Plan: broader than the one we have now centered on housing. 5 Initiatives: Housing, Leadership, Educ ation, Health Services, Economic Opportunity. Competenc ies: what they are, what they ought to be: Innovators, Advocators, Financiers, Collaborators, Communic ators
- Fahe Spring Retreat: May 17 \& 18 ~Berea, KY
- Quarterly Reporting - see report in packet

Next Caucus Meeting - Thursday, March 3rd, Knoxville Leadership Foundation

A special session on Energy Efficiency was held from 1pm-3pm on the following topics:
o Appraisal Gaps-getting an appraisal to reflect the increa sed investment in build ing a property to EnergyStar sta ndards. Lamy Disney - Executive Director, KY Real Estate Appraisers Board

- Biggest bang for the buck when build ing high-efficiency housing.
- Cost and benefits TO THE DEVELOPER in constructing EnergyStar or high-effic iency housing.
- Cost of EnergyStar certification per unit High performing HVAC and appliances


## Upcoming Events

- Reframe Conference - Nov. 5-6
- NII Washington, DC: Dec. 7-11-registration now closed
- Quarterly Reporting - Deadline for Quarter Ending 12/31/15- Fri. January 15th
- NTI Attanta, GA: Feb. 22-26
- NTI Los Angeles, CA: May 2-6
- Fahe Spring Retreat - May 17-18, Fahe Office, Berea

Analysis

| Author: | Eric Haralson |
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| Date Prepared: | $12 / 4 / 2015$ |

Subject

| Borrower Name: |
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| Address: |
| Phone Number: |
| Contact: |


| Cleveland Habitat for Humanity, Inc. |
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| 300 Grove Ave SW/PO Box 303 |
| Cleveland, TN 37364 |
| 423-476-9473, X 305 |
| Chip Willis, E. D. (As of October 2015) |

Profile

Background, Management, Experience:

Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland was incorporated by the State of Tennessee and with Habitat for Humanity International in the fall of 1990 after several organizational meetings and 2015 marked the $25^{\text {th }}$ anniversary of operation. HFH of Cleveland is a nonprofit, Christian housing organization that provides affordable homes for lowincome families with the intent to stabilize neighborhoods and preserve the communities of Cleveland and Bradley County.

HFH of Cleveland is an equal opportunity housing lender and selects partner families based on the need of families who are making $60 \%$ or less of the area median income, their ability to pay the $0 \%$ interest mortgage and willingness to partner in the Habitat program. The Family Services Department has counseled with 150 families and financed 114 mortgages. To date, HHOC has built 120 new homes and 1 rehabilitated home.

Habitat for Humanity also provides a repair service to existing homeowners in the community called "A Brush With Kindness". The program focuses on ease of access and safety. The program provides wheelchair ramps and roof replacements as a couple examples of their past projects, completing 75 different projects total through the ABWK program. HFH of Cleveland also completed in 2013 the last of its long term projects of home repair from the tornadoes of April 2011 in Bradley County.

The mission statement adopted by the local Habitat organization is as follows:
Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland (HFHOC) brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

HFHOC recently underwent a wholesale turnover of senior management, including the CEO and CFO, due to financial performance. The board filled the vacancies with the hiring of Chip Willis as E.D. and Rick Smith as CFO.

With the losses, housing production was reduced from 10 houses per year to just 4 or 5 for both 2014 and 2015. The company is planning a return to production levels of at least ten for fiscal 2016. It owns sufficient lots and has the demand to achieve the increase in production, and it owns the land for the second phase of a completed subdivision going before the city commission for approval, expected by January, 2016.

Yesterday, Tom Carew and I met with Chip Willis at the offices of CHFH. We toured several properties and houses previously developed by CHFH and the Restore. The properties were found to be well maintained and several building lots are still available. The offices and the ReStore are in an area of secondary strip shopping centers and are in a well maintained masonry building owned by CHFH.

Financial Analysis

| General: | We have the audited financial statements of HFHOC for the years 2011-2015 and have spread those statements. The spreadsheet and ratio calculations are attached hereto and are made a part hereof. The auditor's opinion on each audit is unmodified. |
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| Short Term Solvency: | HFHOC's Current Ratio has been declining for the past three years from a high of 7.24 in 2011 to just 0.52 in 2015, well below our target of 1.5. Part of the large drop between 2012 and 2013 was due to the reclassification of HFHOC's investment in a NMTC partnership from a Current to a Non-Current Asset. The significant drop in the Current Ratio in 2015 was partially due to the maturing of a segment of the company's long-term debt, which is being refinanced. Also negatively affecting the ratio is the fact that current maturities of mortgage notes receivable are not set out, being included in Long Term Assets. Regardless, the Current Ratio is of concern. <br> Cash has dropped significantly over the last three years. Months of operating cash dropped from 5 to 2.5 months over the last 2 years. Working Capital is now negative. Turns of Accounts Payable have stretched out to 38 days, indicating HFHOC may be having riding some of its trade payables. |
| Long Term Solvency: | While the liquidity of the company has suffered over the last three years, the company is by no means insolvent. While it is increasing slightly with the losses, at 1.4 , the leverage ratio of Debt/Worth remains well below target of 2.5 or less, indicating the company has room to borrow funds to meet current obligations. <br> However, after a substantially positive debt service coverage ratio over a three year span, the company's DSC ratio for 2014 was substantially negative, and was again so - but improved - for 2015. The company consummated the planned sale of two substantial warehouse properties in 2015, generating the cash needed to cover debt service and operations. |
| Efficiency and Profitability: | HFHOC has been historically profitable, accumulating a net asset base now at of $\$ 2.76 \mathrm{M}$. Net Gain in Assets have ranged from 1\% to 20\% of revenue for 2011-2013, but for 2014 and 2015 the losses were $12 \%$ and $7.8 \%$ of revenue, respectively. <br> As the company re-postures and reduced housing production, partly as a result in the cut-back of THDA's New Start mortgage program, Revenues dropped by 34.5\% from 2013 to 2014, and by $13.6 \%$ from 2014-2015. Grant revenue actually increased slightly in 2014 but dropped $44 \%$ in 2015. With the reduction in production and staff, expenses (including construction costs) also dropped, but only by $8.2 \%$ in 2014 and by $13.6 \%$ in 2015.. <br> Management, General and Fundraising expense appear to be well controlled at 10-12\% of revenue. <br> As with most HFH affiliates, HFHOC relies on grant income, but only marginally so at $12-20 \%$ of total revenue. The effect of the cut-back of the New Start program has been significant. The city's Community Development Officer reports that Cleveland HFH will receive a significant portion of the city's allocation of HOME funds this year. |

## Summary

It appears HFHOC would be a contributing member of, and would benefit from membership in Fahe. The company is effecting a turn-around of its financial performance.

## FAHE'S STRATEGIC TRAJECTORIES:

## 1. <br> 

LEADERSHIP
Fahe will deepen our commitment to leadership development throughout all of our work.


## HOUSING

Fahe will expand the reach and depth of our housing platforms.


## EDUCATION

Fahe will extend our core competencies to support increased educational attainment in the region.


## HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Fahe will facilitate multi-sector collaborations that include health and social services to provide person-centered solutions for vulnerable people.

## ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

Fahe will explore and develop additional ways to advance economic opportunities.

## A Message from the CEO



Dear Friends of Service:
As summer approaches, many young people will take advantage of time between school years to gain skills and experience while also serving their communities.
We believe in our youth and look forward to supporting them as they serve their neighbors and communities.

Today, President Obama announced his Administration's plan to support young people across the country during the summer.
As part of this initiative, which includes many public-private partnerships with local leaders, our agency is committing up to $\$ 15$ million in college scholarships during the next three years to launch Summer Opportunity AmeriCorps.
We are collaborating with the National Summer Learning Association, other organizations, mayors, nonprofits, and other partners to develop service and servicelearning projects that will enable up to 20,000 youth to gain new skills and earn money for college.

To learn more about our commitment and this new initiative, visit the Summer Opportunity AmeriCorps webpage, sign-up for more information, or email partnerships@cns.gov.
Warmest Regards,


In 2012, Fahe utilized the services of Richard Lord for our Annual Report and were incredibly pleased with the results. A few of your organizations even worked with him to produce that work. Mr. Lord has recently contacted us again to offer his services pro-bono because he was impressed by the results of the Fahe network's efforts in serving Appalachia.

We urge each of you to take advantage of this opportunity. We all know that pictures are worth a thousand words, but the work of someone like Mr. Lord, who has shot for clients such as The World Bank, the National Institutes of Health, Coke, Pfizer, and more are truly invaluable, and we are incredibly fortunate that he wants to offer this to us.

Mr. Lord's specialty is compelling photography of people. To make the best photos, it is helpful if the environment is visually interesting. The people photographed should be recipients of your organization's services in some capacity. Offices, staff, or events will not produce the sort of images that Mr. Lord is looking to create. While it can be helpful to show completed projects, he feels that more impressive results will re-
sult from capturing imagery of the real issues that our region faces such as inadequate housing. The ideal situation in his terms is when he can capture both the "before and the after" of a service recipient.

He has a limited window of availability during the months of April and May. To best utilize Mr. Lord's time, we ask that interested members send a submission detailing subject matter you would like photographed to Fahe's marketing team, as we are helping to schedule and organize his travel. Due to his limited availability not every submission will be accepted.

All photos that he produces from this trip will be available for you to use whenever and wherever you choose with the following restrictions: they cannot be used to advertise products offered for sale or other paid advertising. In addition, photos used online must bear his watermark, which will be provided.

If you are interested in participating, please email your submissions to Anthony@fahe.org by no later than March 18th. Once again, we urge you to make use of this unique opportunity.

## Tennessee Housing Development Agency

## Appalachian Renovation Loan Program

## Summary of Guidelines

| 1. Program Overview | The Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) will <br> administer the Appalachian Renovation Loan Program (ARLP) for <br> homeowners in the Appalachian Regional Commission’s (ARC) <br> "At-Risk" and most "Distressed" counties within the Appalachian <br> region whose homes require repairs or renovations. |
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| 2. Program Goals | The Appalachian Renovation Loan Program (ARLP) will improve <br> homeownership for the residents of the Appalachian counties. The <br> program goal is to help provide safe and sound housing to the <br> residents in the distressed and at risk counties. |
| 3. Program Partners | THDA will approve ARLP Program Partners (Partners) to <br> participate in the ARLP based on the organization’s experience and <br> knowledge in originating, processing, underwriting, and closing <br> loans. <br> The Partners must be able to identify homeowners of low and <br> moderate income that meet the eligibility requirements for the <br> ARLP and must be able to originate, process and close loans <br> following the ARLP guidelines for homes requiring improvements <br> or restoration. |
| The Partners must be private organizations that are organized under |  |
| Tennessee nonprofit laws or under Tennessee nonprofit laws with a |  |
| $501(c)(3)$ designation. |  |


|  | The \$500,000 ARC grant funds will be used to fund the loans in the "Distressed" Counties and the $\$ 1,000,000$ of THDA matched funds will be used to fund the loans in the "At-Risk" Counties. |
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| 6. Borrower's Loan Eligibility Criteria | Borrower must meet the following loan eligibility criteria: <br> For 2015 ARC Distressed Counties: <br> - Household income not to exceed THDA's New Start Loan Program limits <br> - Minimum FICO score of 580 <br> - Combined Loan-to-Value not to exceed $100 \%$ <br> For 2015 ARC At-Risk Counties: <br> - Household income not to exceed THDA's New Start Loan Program limits <br> - Minimum FICO score of 620 <br> - Combined Loan-to-Value not to exceed $100 \%$ <br> Post Purchase Homebuyer Education will be required for all ARLP loans and must be completed prior to closing. |
| 7. Ownership/ Property Eligibility Criteria | The property must meet the following criteria: <br> - The property must be a single family (1-to 4 -unit dwelling) <br> - The property must be owner-occupied <br> - The property must be located in a designated county <br> - The property must require a repair and/or modification equal to or above $\$ 5,000$ |
| 8. Program Exclusions | Commercial properties, multifamily properties, manufactured homes, properties listed on a state or national historic register. |
| 9. Structure of Assistance | Structure of loan: <br> For 2015 ARC Distressed Counties: <br> - $1^{\text {st }}$ mortgage or Subordinate Lien <br> - Maximum Loan Amount of $\$ 25,000$ <br> - Fixed Interest Rate 0\% <br> - Deferred payment <br> - 5-Year Term <br> - Forgiven at $20 \%$ per year <br> - No Prepayment Penalty |


|  | For 2015 ARC At-Risk Counties: <br> - $1^{\text {st }}$ mortgage or Subordinate Lien <br> - Maximum Loan Amount of $\$ 25,000$ <br> - Fixed Interest Rate 4.0\% <br> - Repayable <br> - 15-Year Term <br> - No Prepayment Penalty |
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| 10. Per Property Assistance | Minimum loan amount: $\$ 5,000$ per loan. <br> Maximum loan amount not to exceed $\$ 25,000$ per loan. |
| 11. Duration of Assistance | Funds will be disbursed on a first-come first-served basis. |
| 12. Administrative Expenses and Participation Fees | Administrative costs of the ARLP will be funded through the ARLP Program Budget. <br> Program Partners can earn a Administrative Fee of \$500 per closed loan, which will be paid from the the ARLP Program Budget. |
| 13. Estimated Number of Properties Rehabed or Renovated | 60 properties (estimated) |
| 14. Program Inception / Duration | The program will launch in January 2016 and will end when funds expire. |
| 15. Program Interactions with Other HFA Programs | Layering with the following THDA Programs will be allowed: <br> - Great Choice Loan Program <br> - New Start Loan Program <br> - HOME Program |
| 16. Option to Modify Loan | No |



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## President Releases FY17 Budget Request

On Tuesday, February 9, 2016, the President released the budget request for Fiscal Year 2017.

The budget request for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) included program funding near or slightly increased from FY16 levels. The notable exception is for Section 523 Mutual Self-Help Housing Technical Assistance Grants, which is decreased by almost $\$ 10$ million. This decrease comes after 2015 was spent celebrating 50 years of success for the Mutual Self-Help Housing Program and 50,000 families served. Apparently, USDA has decided to ramp down self-help housing after reaching this milestone.

The budget also eliminates funding for Housing Preservation Grants, and shifts funding for the Multi-family Preservation and Revitalization (MPR) program toward vouchers, providing a priority for section 515 that matured after September 30, 2005. The budget also includes a provision requiring USDA to obtain a restrictive use agreement as part of MPR restructuring and authorizes the use of rental assistance payments and incentives under MPR.

The budget includes an increase of $\$ 15$ million for rural rental assistance authorized under section 521 (a), noting, but not offering a major solution to the 11,000 section 515 mortgages that mature by 2024 . The budget request also includes a small increase in section 515.

The Solid Waste Grant is also decreased - from \$4 million in FY16 to \$1 million in the President's request.

There are several noteworthy points in the budget request for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). First, the

Administration proposes $\$ 300$ million mandatory appropriations for a "Local Housing Policy program." The request explains that this program would give grants to localities for "new policies, programs, or regulatory initiatives that create a more elastic and diverse housing supply." Given the realities of the current political climate, it is unlikely that such a program will be implemented in the near future.

The second point we would like to draw your attention to relates to the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Specifically, the budget request proposes several statutory changes for the program, including that the 15 percent set-aside to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) be eliminated as well as the 24month commitment requirement. The Administration also proposes to establish a single qualification threshold of \$500,000 - regardless of the amount appropriated in any given fiscal year. The Administrations proposes to revise the grandfathering provisions, so that when a participating jurisdiction falls below the qualification threshold for 3 of 5 years it becomes ineligible to receive direct formula funds. Finally, the Administration proposes to allow recaptured CHDO funds to be used for HOME TA funding and cuts SHOP funding to a $\$ 10$ million set-aside out of HOME.

Below please find charts highlighting the budget request for select USDA, HUD, and Environmental Protection Agency programs.

| RHS/RUS Programs | FY 16 <br> Final | FY 17 <br> Budget |
| :--- | ---: | :---: |
| 502 Single Family Direct | 900 | 900 |
| 502 Single Family Guaranteed | 24,000 | 24,000 |
| 504 Loans | 26,278 | 26.277 |
| 504 Grants | 28.7 | 28.7 |
| 514 Farm Labor Housing Loans | 23.9 | 23.9 |
| 515 Rural Rental Housing | 28.4 | 33.074 |
| 516 Farm Labor Housing Grants | 8.4 | 8.3 |
| 521 Rural Rental Assistance | 1389 | 1405 |
| 523 Self-Help TA | 27.5 | 18.493 |
| 533 Housing Preservation Grants | 3.5 | 0 |
| 538 Rental Housing Guaranteed | 150 | 230 |
| Multi-Family Restructuring* (BA) | 37 | 37.362 |
| Housing Preservation Demonstration <br> Voucher Demonstration | 0 | 0 |
| Supervisory TA Grants | $(15)$ | $(18)$ |
| Community Facility Loans | 0 | 0 |
| Community Facility Grants <br> Community Facility Guarantee | 2200 | 2,200 |
| Water-Wastewater Loans | 25 | 37 |
|  | 148 | 0 |
|  | 1200 | 1037 |


| Water-Wastewater Grants | 364 | 476 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Water-Wastewater Guarantee | 50 | 16 |
| Solid Waste Grants | 4 | 1 |
| Small Systems Revolver | 1 | 1 |
| Rural Business Enterprise Grants | 24 | 33 |
| Intermediary Re-lending | 18.9 | 18.889 |
| RCDI | 4 | 4 |
| B\&I | 919 | 892 |
| Rural Microenterprise Investment <br> BA/Program Authority <br> Rural Microenterprise <br> Investment Grants | 0 | $4 / 32$ |

* includes amount displayed for
vouchers

| HUD | FY 16 <br> Final | FY 17 <br> Budget |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation | 135 | 140 |
| Mortgage Foreclosure Mitigation | 40 | 0 |
| HOME | 950 | 950 |
| Capacity Building | 0 | 0 |
| Transformation Initiative | 0 | 0 |
| Housing Counseling | 47 | 47 |
| Community Development Fund | 3060 | 2880 |
| CDBG Formula funding | 3000 | 2800 |
| Choice Neighborhoods Initiative | 125 | 200 |
| Housing Trust Fund** | 170 | 136 |
| SHOP (set aside from HOME) | 300 | 300 |
| Section 108 Program Level | 423 | 505 |
| Section 202 Housing for Elderly | FY 16 <br> Final | FY 17 <br> Budget |
| EPA | 1393 | 979 |
| Clean Water SRF | 863 | 1020 |
| Safe Drinking Water SRF |  |  |

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.







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| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/14/16 | 1/14/16 | AL | Hale |  | \$54,650 | Hero Housing | 43 | 1 | Purchase |  |
| Female | Black | Not Provided | 10/23/15 | 11/11/15 | AL | Tuscaloosa |  | \$125,000 | Hero Housing | 107 | 2 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/17/15 | 11/17/15 | IN | Huntington |  | \$160,533 | Pathfinder Community | 101 | 3 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/1/15 | 12/1/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$110,000 | Pathfinder Community | 87 | 4 | Purchase |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/16/15 | 11/16/15 | IN | Whitley |  | \$79,000 | Pathfinder Community | 102 | 5 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Hispanic Or | 11/2/15 | 11/2/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$160,644 | Pathfinder Community | 116 | 6 | Purchase |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/16/15 | 11/16/15 | IN | Kosciusko |  | \$130,533 | Pathfinder Community | 102 | 7 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/7/15 | 12/7/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$85,000 | Pathfinder Community | 81 | 8 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 6/4/15 | 6/4/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$147,500 | Pathfinder Community | 267 | 9 | Purchase |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 7/24/15 | 7/27/15 | IN | Huntington |  | \$75,000 | Pathfinder Community | 214 | 10 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/16/15 | 12/16/15 | IN | Dekalb |  | \$55,000 | Pathfinder Community | 72 | 11 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Hispanic Or | 12/14/15 | 12/14/15 | IN | Elkhart |  | \$172,000 | Pathfinder Community | 74 | 12 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/14/15 | 12/14/15 | IN | Elkhart |  | \$165,530 | Aid to Distressed | 74 | 13 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 10/22/15 | 10/23/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$140,590 | Pathfinder Community | 126 | 14 | Purchase |  |
| Male | Amer.Indian | Hispanic Or | 1/13/16 | 1/13/16 | IN | Allen |  | \$169,982 | Pathfinder Community | 44 | 15 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 2/3/16 | 2/3/16 | IN | Whitley |  | \$113,970 | Pathfinder Community | 23 | 16 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/27/16 | 1/27/16 | IN | Whitley |  | \$111,500 | Pathfinder Community | 30 | 17 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/15/16 | 1/15/16 | IN | De Kalb |  | \$142,575 | Pathfinder Community | 42 | 18 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/27/16 | 1/27/16 | IN | Delaware |  | \$100,530 | Pathfinder Community | 30 | 19 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 10/26/15 | 10/26/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$169,676 | Pathfinder Community | 123 | 20 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 9/1/15 | 9/1/15 | IN | Hamilton |  | \$130,530 | Pathfinder Community | 178 | 21 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 9/29/15 | 9/29/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$170,000 | Pathfinder Community | 150 | 22 | Purchase |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/11/15 | 11/11/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$170,530 | Pathfinder Community | 107 | 23 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/5/15 | 11/5/15 | IN | Huntington |  | \$100,533 | Pathfinder Community | 113 | 24 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/6/15 | 11/6/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$170,533 | Pathfinder Community | 112 | 25 | Purchase |  |
| Female | White | Hispanic Or | 11/20/15 | 11/20/15 | IN | Elkhart |  | \$170,000 | Pathfinder Community | 98 | 26 | Construction |  |
| Female | White | Hispanic Or | 11/17/15 | 11/17/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$170,533 | Pathfinder Community | 101 | 27 | Construction |  |
| ctsemale | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/29/15 | 12/29/15 | IN | De Kalb |  | \$169,400 | Pathfinder Community | 59 | 28 | Construction |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/17/15 | 12/17/15 | IN | Allen |  | \$164,664 | Pathfinder Community | 71 | 29 | Construction |  |



| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/30/15 | 1/13/16 | TN | Anderson | \$150,000 |  | 44 | 70 | Purchase |  |  |
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| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/21/16 | 2/3/16 | TN | Blount | \$154,000 | Foothills Community | 23 | 71 | Purchase |  |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/2/16 | 2/3/16 | TN | Roane | \$50,000 | ADFAC - Aide to | 23 | 72 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Hispanic Or | 1/14/16 | 1/21/16 | TN | Blount | \$152,000 | Foothills Community | 36 | 73 | Purchase |  |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/27/16 | 2/3/16 | TN | Blount | \$150,000 | Foothills Community | 23 | 74 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 4/7/15 | 4/27/15 | TN | Blount | \$154,500 | Foothills Community | 305 | 75 | Purchase |  |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 6/19/15 | 6/24/15 | TN | Cumberland | \$126,000 | Creative Compassion | 247 | 76 | Purchase |  |  |
| Male | White | Not Hispanic Or | 1/13/16 |  | TN |  | \$154,000 | Foothills Community |  | 77 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 6/16/15 | 6/16/15 | TN | Fentress | \$100,000 | Creative Compassion | 255 | 78 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 6/19/15 | 6/22/15 | TN | Cumberland | \$132,000 | Creative Compassion | 249 | 79 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | Black | Not Hispanic Or | 8/9/15 | 9/3/15 | VA | Accomack | \$152,825 | FAHE, Inc.- | 176 | 80 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 5/27/15 | 5/27/15 | VA | Patrick | \$55,000 | Hope, Inc. | 275 | 81 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | Black | Not Hispanic Or | 1/2/16 | 1/21/16 | VA | Albemarle | \$135,000 | Piedmont Housing | 36 | 82 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 8/4/15 | 8/17/15 | VA | Dickenson | \$77,670 | People, Inc | 193 | 83 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 12/22/15 | 12/22/15 | W | Tucker | \$80,000 | Homeownership Center, | 66 | 84 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 10/7/15 | 10/7/15 | W | Upshur | \$83,500 | Homeownership Center, | 142 | 85 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 11/15/15 | 12/10/15 | W | Randolph | \$60,000 | Homeownership Center, | 78 | 86 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 6/18/15 | 6/24/15 | W | Wood | \$89,890 | Community Resources, | 247 | 87 | Purchase |  |  |
| Female | White | Not Hispanic Or | 4/28/15 | 4/28/15 | W | Mason | \$110,000 | Community Resources, | 304 | 88 | Purchase |  |  |

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Cc: Sarah Hooks; Leslie Woodall
Subject: Agenda item for TN Caucus meeting

Subject: Student loans and Income Based Repayment

Request: Insert a discussion agenda item for Income Based Repayment of Student Loans

Background: Foothills CDC and Blount Habitat for Humanity are both working with families who have substantial student loans. These families are repaying their loans by utilizing an Income Based Repayment system which has payments as low as $\$ 0$ per month. This is not a deferred loan, it is a repayment procedure.

USDA treats the IBR system as they do the deferred student loans by assuming $1 \%$ of the total loan as the monthly payment. This normally raises the backend ratio to a disqualifying percentage for such families.

We have raised this issue with RD because the intent of RD's $1 \%$ requirement appears to be for deferred loans. The Tennessee's state RD office interpreted this requirement to also include IBR loans.

Tennessee's state office has raised this question to the national RD office for a ruling. Nothing has been heard to date.

Are other FAHE members having the same issue?

As usual, RD Knoxville has been thorough and forth coming with their assistance on this clarification.

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## FACT SHEET: FHFA PROPOSED RULE ON FANNIE MAE \& FREDDIE MAC DUTY TO SERVE UNDERSERVED MARKETS

## SUMMARY

## STATUTORY REQUIREMENT

Federal law requires the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) to issue a regulation to implement the Duty to Serve requirements specified in the Federal Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992, as amended by the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. The statute requires Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (the Enterprises) to provide leadership to facilitate a secondary market for mortgages on housing for very low-, low-, and moderateincome families in three underserved markets specified in the statute:

- Manufactured housing
- Affordable housing preservation
- Rural housing

FHFA has issued a proposed rule that seeks to strike a balance between the requirement that the Enterprises serve families in these markets and their continued safety and soundness.

BACKGROUND

On December 15, 2015, FHFA issued a proposed rule on Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Duty to Serve Underserved Markets.

The public comment period is 90 days from publication in the Federal Register.

FHFA invites comments on all aspects of the proposed rule.

FHFA issued an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in 2009 and a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in 2010 but did not complete the rulemaking process.

Link to FHFA news release

## UNDERSERVED MARKETS PLANS

Under the proposed rule, the Enterprises would each be required to submit to FHFA a draft Underserved Markets Plan covering a three-year period, and the public would be invited to provide input on the draft Plans. The draft Plans would be posted on FHFA's website, and the final Plans would be posted on the Enterprises' and FHFA's respective websites.

The Plans would comprise "Activities," including Core Activities that the Enterprises would be required to consider in developing their Plans. The Core Activities represent nine categories of Statutory Activities and eleven categories of Regulatory Activities developed by FHFA. The Enterprises could also propose Additional Activities in their Plans. Eligible Activities would receive Duty to Serve credit (scoring points). If Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac decides not to include a Core Activity in its Plan, it would be required to provide reasons why in the Plan.
FHFA would also provide Duty to Serve credit for Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac activities that promote residential economic diversity in an underserved market for affordable housing in high opportunity areas or mixed-income housing in areas of concentrated poverty.

## MANUFACTURED HOUSING

For the manufactured housing market, Duty to Serve credit would be provided for Regulatory Activities that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac undertake related to financing manufactured housing units titled as real estate and not "chattel" loans secured by personal property, because real estate loans perform better, have greater borrower protections, and have lower default rates than chattel financing. However, the proposed rule invites public comment on whether the final rule should authorize Duty to Serve credit for the purchase of chattel loans.

Under the proposed rule, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac would also be required to consider undertaking Regulatory Activities related to purchasing blanket loans on the following types of manufactured housing communities: small communities with 150 rental sites or fewer; communities owned by their residents, nonprofits or governmental agencies; and communities where tenants' site leases include certain tenant protections.

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION

For affordable housing preservation, Duty to Serve credit would be provided for Statutory Activities that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac undertake related to preservation of affordable housing funded under the following programs enumerated in the statute:

- U.S. Department of Housing \& Urban Development (HUD) Section 8 Rental Assistance Program;
- HUD Section 236 Interest Rate Subsidy Program;
- HUD Section 221(d)(4) FHA Insurance Program;
- HUD Section 202 Housing Program for Elderly Households;
- HUD Section 811 Housing Program for Disabled Households;
- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Programs;
- USDA Section 515 Rural Housing Programs;
- Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits; and
- Other comparable state and local affordable housing programs.

Duty to Serve credit would also be provided for Regulatory Activities that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac undertake related to purchasing loan pools from small banks and community-based lenders on small multifamily rental properties of 5 to 50 units; Activities related to public housing properties that use HUD's Rental Assistance Demonstration Program; Activities related to properties in designated areas under HUD's Choice Neighborhoods Initiatives Program; purchasing energy efficiency retrofit loans on multifamily rental properties; and purchasing energy retrofit loans on single-family properties with Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac first mortgage liens.

Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac would also be required to consider undertaking Regulatory Activities that support preserving affordable homeownership for single-family properties under shared equity programs that are administered by a community land trust, a nonprofit organization or a state or local governmental agency. Eligible shared equity programs must ensure affordability for 30 years -- or longer if permitted by state law, monitor the units to ensure affordability is preserved over resales, and support the homeowners to promote successful homeownership.

## RURAL HOUSING

For the rural housing market, Duty to Serve credit would be provided for Activities that serve rural areas generally. Duty to Serve credit would also be provided for Regulatory Activities supporting housing in high-needs rural regions, defined as Middle Appalachia, the Lower Mississippi Delta region, and colonias, which are communities located primarily within 150 miles of the U.S.-Mexico border in Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, or California; and Activities supporting housing for highneeds rural populations defined as members of a Federally recognized Native American tribe located in a Native American area, or migrant or seasonal agricultural workers, as defined in the proposed rule. The proposed rule would define a "rural area" as a census tract outside of a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) as designated by the Office of Management and Budget, or a census tract in an MSA, but outside of the MSA's Urbanized Areas and Urban Clusters, as designated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Urban Commuting Area codes.

## EVALUATIONS AND RATINGS

FHFA would annually evaluate and rate Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's performance under their Underserved Markets Plans by allocating points for each Activity performed and translating the composite scores to overall ratings for each of the three underserved markets. FHFA would report those results to Congress on an annual basis.

