

*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: December 11, 2003.

**Darlene F. Williams,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4818-N-17]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Notice of Funding Availability for the Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for 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:* February 23, 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 20410-6000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Brunson, 202-708-3061, ext. 3852 (this is not a toll-free number), for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development 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:** Notice of Funding Availability for the Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program.

**OMB Control Number:** 2528-0213.

**Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use:** The information is being collected to select applicants for awards in this statutorily created competitive grant program and to monitor performance of grantees to ensure they meet statutory and program goals and requirements.

**Agency Form Numbers:** HUD 424, HUD 424B, SFLLL, HUD 2880, HUD 2993, HUD 96010-I, and HUD 2994.

**Members of the Affected Public:** Ph.D. students preparing their dissertations on HUD-related topics.

**Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:** Information pursuant to grant award will be submitted once a year. The following chart details the respondent burden on a quarterly, semi-annual and annual basis:

	Number of respondents	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Total hours
Applicants .....	80	80	32	2560
Semi-Annual Reports .....	15	30	4	120
Final Reports .....	15	15	2	30
Recordkeeping .....	15	15	4	60
Total .....	125	140	42	2770

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4818-N-18]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Notice of Funding Availability for the Early Doctoral Student Research Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for 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.

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