

Immigration Services (USCIS), has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until June 4, 2007.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at [rfs.regs@dhs.gov](mailto:rfs.regs@dhs.gov). When submitting comments by e-mail, add the OMB Control Number 1615-0092 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(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 agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in the Basic Pilot Employment Eligibility Program; Verify Employment Eligibility Status.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security*

*sponsoring the collection:* No Agency Form Number; File OMB-18. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for profit. The Basic Pilot Program allows employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility status of newly hired employees.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 40,000 MOU's at 2.333 (2 hours and 20 minutes) per response; 40,000 employers registering to participate in the program at .166 (10 minutes) per response; 4,000,000 initial queries at .05 (3 minutes) per response; 40,000 secondary queries at .333 (20 minutes) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 313,279 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529; 202-272-8377.

Dated: April 2, 2007.

**Stephen Tarragon,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5030-N-30]

#### Announcement of Funding Awards for Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons With Disabilities Program for Fiscal Year 2006

**AGENCY:** Office of Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Announcement of funding awards.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department for funding under the FY 2006 (FY2006) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons with

Disabilities Program funding for FY2006. This announcement contains the consolidated names and addresses of those award recipients selected for funding based on the rating and ranking of all applications and the allocation of funding available for each state.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions concerning the FY2006 ROSS Elderly/Persons With Disabilities awards, contact the Office of Public and Indian Housing's Grants Management Center, Director, Iredia Hutchinson, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 358-0221. For the hearing or speech impaired, these numbers may be accessed via TTY (text telephone) by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. (Other than the "800" TTY number, these telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The authority for the \$10,000,000 in one-year budget authority for ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities program coordinators is found in the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2004 (Pub. L. 108). The allocation of housing assistance budget authority is pursuant to the provisions of 24 CFR 791, subpart D, implementing section 213 (d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

This program is intended to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under the ROSS program with public and private resources to enable participating families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency. A Public and Indian Housing Program Coordinator assures that program participants are linked to the supportive services they need to achieve self-sufficiency.

The FY2006 awards announced in this Notice were selected for funding in a competition announced in a **Federal Register** NOFA published on March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11913). Applications were scored based on the selection criteria in that Notice and funding selections made based on the rating and ranking of applications within each state.

In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the names, addresses, and amounts of the 33 awards made under the ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities Program competition.

Dated: March 6, 2007.

**Orlando J. Cabrera,**

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Housing.*

# APPENDIX A—FISCAL YEAR 2006 FUNDING AWARDS FOR THE ROSS ELDERLY/PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM

Mobile Housing Board .....	151 South Claiborne Street .....	Mobile .....	AL	36602	\$350,000
Lutheran Social Ministry of the South- west.	5049 East Broadway, Suite 102 .....	Tucson .....	AZ	85711	375,000
The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles.	2 Coral Circle .....	Monterey Park .....	CA	91755	350,000
Atlanta Regional Commission .....	40 Courtland Street, Northeast .....	Atlanta .....	GA	30303	375,000
Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii.	677 Queen Street, Suite 300 .....	Honolulu .....	HI	96813	388,522
Chicago Housing Authority .....	626 West Jackson Street .....	Chicago .....	IL	60661	300,000
The Housing Authority of the City of New Albany, Indiana.	Post Office Box 11 .....	New Albany .....	IN	47150	350,000
City of Wichita Housing Authority .....	332 North Riverview .....	Wichita .....	KS	67203	240,000
Housing Authority of Catlettsburg .....	210 24th Street .....	Catlettsburg .....	KY	41129	110,708
Housing Authority of Corbin .....	1336 Madison Street .....	Corbin .....	KY	40701	207,324
Grand Rapids Housing Commission .....	1420 Fuller Avenue, Southeast .....	Grand Rapids .....	MI	49507	164,734
Housing Authority of St. Louis Park .....	5005 Minnetonka Boulevard .....	St. Louis Park .....	MN	55416	210,627
Natchez Housing Authority .....	2 Auburn Avenue .....	Natchez .....	MS	39120	250,000
Public Housing Authority of Butte .....	220 Curtis Street .....	Butte .....	MT	59701	98,500
Gastonia Housing Authority .....	P.O. 2398, 340 West Long Avenue .....	Gastonia .....	NC	28053-2398	250,000
Dover Housing Authority .....	62 Whittier Street .....	Dover .....	NH	03820-2994	269,362
Garfield Housing Authority .....	71 Daniel P. Conti Court .....	Garfield .....	NJ	7026	350,000
Housing Authority of Gloucester County	100 Pop Moylan Boulevard .....	Deptford .....	NJ	8096	76,066
Housing Authority of the Township of Woodbridge.	20 Bunns Lane .....	Woodbridge .....	NJ	7095	350,000
Catholic Family Center .....	87 North Clinton Avenue .....	Rochester .....	NY	14604	375,000
Ithaca Housing Authority .....	800 South Plain Street .....	Ithaca .....	NY	14850	333,640
White Plains Housing Authority .....	223 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boule- vard.	White Plains .....	NY	10601	225,000
Columbiana Metropolitan Housing Au- thority.	325 Moore Street .....	East Liverpool .....	OH	43920	350,000
Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority ..	400 Tuscarawas Street East .....	Canton .....	OH	44702-1131	272,487
Mercer County Housing Authority .....	80 Jefferson Avenue .....	Sharon .....	PA	16146	240,000
City of San Marcos Housing Authority ..	1201 Thorpe Lane .....	San Marcos .....	TX	78666	207,311
Housing Authority of the City of El Paso.	5300 Paisano Drive .....	El Paso .....	TX	79905	450,000
Bennington Housing Authority .....	22 Willowbrook Drive .....	Bennington .....	VT	05201-1773	250,000
Rutland Housing Authority .....	5 Tremont Street .....	Rutland .....	VT	05701	248,750
Neighborhood House .....	905 Spruce Street, Suite 200 .....	Seattle .....	WA	98104	125,000
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Friends of Housing Corporation .....	9141 West Lisbon Avenue .....	Milwaukee .....	WI	53222	375,000
Wheeling Housing Authority .....	Box 2089 11 Community Street .....	Wheeling .....	WV	26003	239,160

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4837-D-62]

### Delegation of Authority to Regional Directors To Waive Certain Handbook and Directives Provisions

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of delegation of authority  
to regional directors in the HUD  
regional offices.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Secretary  
delegates to the Regional Directors the  
authority to waive certain HUD  
handbook provisions and directives and  
announces the procedures that will

govern these waivers. Specifically, the  
delegation provides Regional Directors  
with concurrent authority to waive  
certain HUD handbook provisions and  
directives. Currently, the Regional  
Directors are located in Region I  
(Boston, MA); Region II (New York, NY);  
Region III (Philadelphia, PA); Region IV  
(Atlanta, GA); Region V (Chicago, IL);  
Region VI (Fort Worth, TX); Region VII  
(Kansas City, KS); Region VIII (Denver,  
CO); Region IX (San Francisco, CA); and  
Region X (Seattle, WA).

Any waiver of HUD handbook  
provisions and directives made in the  
field must be in writing and must  
specify the grounds for granting it. All  
waiver decisions by a Regional Director  
in the Office of Field Policy and  
Management must be jointly concurred  
in by the appropriate regional program  
director or Assistant Secretary. In

addition, the Department will make  
available for public inspection, for at  
least a 3-year period, a record of all  
waivers of HUD handbook provisions  
and directives.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 30, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
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number (202) 708-3055 or Mark Borum,  
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Field Policy and Management,  
Department of Housing and Urban  
Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW.,  
Room 7122, Washington, DC 20410;  
telephone number (202) 708-1123.  
(These are not toll-free numbers.) These