

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Federal Emergency Management Agency****[Docket ID FEMA-2013-0001]****Notice of Adjustment of Statewide Per Capita Indicator for Recommending a Cost Share Adjustment****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: FEMA gives notice that the statewide per capita indicator for recommending cost share adjustments for major disasters declared on or after January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013, is \$133.

DATES: This notice applies to major disasters declared on or after January 1, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Roche, Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3834.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 44 CFR 206.47, the statewide per capita indicator that is used to recommend an increase of the Federal cost share from seventy-five percent (75%) to not more than ninety percent (90%) of the eligible cost of permanent work under section 406 and emergency work under section 403 and section 407 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act is adjusted annually. The adjustment to the indicator is based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published annually by the U.S. Department of Labor. For disasters declared on January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013, the qualifying indicator is \$133 per capita of State population.

This adjustment is based on an increase of 1.7 percent in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the 12-month period that ended December 2012. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor released the information on January 16, 2013.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households In Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially

Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

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Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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BILLING CODE 9111-23-P**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT****[Docket No. FR-5683-N-13]****Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Family Self-Sufficiency Program Demonstration****AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been 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.

The Department is conducting this study under contract with MDRC and its subcontractors (Branch Associates and M. Davis and Company, Inc.). The project is an evaluation of the Family Self-Sufficiency Program operated at Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) across the U.S. The study will use random assignment methods to evaluate the effectiveness of the program. FSS has operated since 1992 and serves voucher holders and residents of public housing. The FSS model is essentially case management plus an escrow account. FSS case managers create a plan with families to achieve goals and connect with services that will enhance their employment opportunities. Families accrue money in their escrow accounts as they increase their earnings. To date, HUD has funded two other studies of the FSS program, but neither can tell us how well families would have done in the absence of the program. A random assignment model is needed because participant self-selection into FSS limits the ability to know whether program features rather than the characteristics of the participating families caused tenant income gains. Random assignment will limit the extent to which selection bias is driving observed results. The demonstration will document the progress of a group of FSS participants from initial enrollment to program completion (or exit). The intent

is to gain a deeper understanding of the program and illustrate strategies that assist participants to obtain greater economic independence. While the main objective of FSS is stable, suitable employment, there are many interim outcome of interest, which include: Getting a first job; getting a higher paying job; self-employment/small business ownership; no longer needing benefits provided under one or more welfare programs; obtaining additional education, whether in the form of a high school diploma, higher education degree, or vocational training; buying a home; buying a car; setting up savings accounts; or accomplishing similar goals that lead to economic independence. Data collection will include the families that are part of the treatment and control groups, as well as PHA staff. Data will be gathered through a variety of methods including surveys, informational interviews, direct observation, and analysis of administrative records.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 14, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval Number (2528-New) 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 fax: 202-395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colette Pollard., Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email Colette Pollard at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov or telephone (202) 402-3400. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the Information collection described below. This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting 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 Proposed: Family Self-Sufficiency Program Demonstration.
OMB Approval Number: 2528-New.
Form Numbers: None.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use:

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	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden	3,000	1		2.126		6,378

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 6,378.
Status: New collection.

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

Dated: February 6, 2013.

Colette Pollard,
Department Reports Management Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5450-N-04]

Federal Housing Administration (FHA): PowerSaver Home Energy Retrofit Loan Pilot Program: Extension of Pilot Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On March 31, 2011, HUD published a notice that announced HUD’s FHA Home Energy Retrofit Loan Pilot Program (Retrofit Pilot Program) known as FHA PowerSaver, which is a pilot program conducted for loans originated during a period of two years,

commencing on May 2, 2011. The Retrofit Pilot Program is authorized by the Energy Innovation Fund of the 2010 Appropriations Act, which directs HUD to conduct an Energy Efficient Mortgage Innovation pilot program targeted to the single family housing market. The March 31, 2011, notice provided that HUD may extend the duration of the pilot program through **Federal Register** notice. HUD uses this authority to extend the Retrofit Pilot Program to Title I loan applications dated on or before May 4, 2015.

DATES: The Retrofit Pilot Program is extended for an additional two years to include Title I loan applications dated on or before May 4, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McBarron, Office of Single Family Housing Development, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-8000; telephone number 202-708-2121 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010 (Pub. L. 111-117, approved December 16, 2009, 123 Stat. 3034), directed HUD

to conduct an Energy Efficient Mortgage Innovation pilot program targeted to the single family housing market and allocated \$25,000,000 for such pilot program. On March 31, 2011, HUD published a notice at 76 FR 17936 that announced HUD’s FHA Home Energy Retrofit Loan Pilot Program known as FHA PowerSaver. The Retrofit Pilot Program, operating under Title I, section 2 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1703), authorizes HUD to provide loan insurance in order to help homeowners finance energy-saving alterations, repairs, and improvements in connection with existing structures or manufactured homes.

The March 31, 2011, notice provided that the Retrofit Pilot Program would be conducted for loans originated during a period of two years, commencing on May 2, 2011 and ending on May 2, 2013. The notice also provided that HUD may extend the duration of the Retrofit Pilot Program through **Federal Register** notice in order to better assess the program’s effectiveness. HUD has determined that an extension of the Retrofit Pilot Program, as provided in the March 31, 2011, notice, is desirable for evaluating its success. An extension will enable more lenders and homeowners to participate in the Retrofit Pilot Program, thereby