



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
URBAN DEVELOPMENT**
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000

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Dear Tribal Leader:

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Happy New Year! I want to let you know how much I appreciate your patience during the longest government shutdown on record. Our dedicated staff are back at work and working diligently to follow up on your emails and our daily book of business to ensure we are responsive to your needs. During a national staff meeting today our regional offices shared stories on the impact the shutdown had on our tribal communities and the many critical items that we were unable to address that prevented you from doing your work. Please know that we are working to address the challenges created by a loss of one month of work.

Today I am pleased to announce that the President signed a FY2019 funding bill that funds ONAP through September 30, 2019. Highlights from the funding bill are as follows:

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Office of Native American Programs FY 2019 Appropriations

	FY 2018	FY 2019
	Enacted	Enacted
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance		
Tribal HUD-VASH	\$5,000,000	\$4,000,000
Indian Housing Block Grant		
Formula Grants	\$646,000,000	\$646,000,000
Training, Technical Assistance, and Other Purposes	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000
National or Regional Organization (NAIHC)	[\$2,000,000]	[\$2,000,000]
Title VI Credit Subsidy	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
NAHASDA Competitive Grants	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000

Commitment Authority	[\$17,391,000]	[\$17,762,000]
Indian Housing Block Grant	\$755,000,000	\$755,000,000
Indian Housing Loan Guarantee (Section 184)		
Guaranteed Credit Subsidy	\$250,000	\$690,000
Administrative Contract Expenses	\$750,000	\$750,000
Loan Limitations	[\$270,270,000]	[\$553,846,000]
Indian Housing Loan Guarantee (Section 184)	\$1,000,000	\$1,440,000
Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant		
Grants	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Training and Technical Assistance	---	---
Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Native Hawaiian Housing Loan Guarantee (Section 184A)		
Credit Subsidy	---	---
Native Hawaiian Housing Loan Guarantee (Section 184A)	---	---
Community Development Fund		
Indian Community Development Block Grant		
Single Purpose	\$61,000,000	\$61,000,000
Imminent Threat	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Indian Community Development Block Grant	\$65,000,000	\$65,000,000

Office of Native American Programs

\$828,000,000 \$827,440,000

Again, we thank you for your patience and look forward to working with you in the new year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heidi J. Frechette". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Heidi J. Frechette
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