



HUD SPENDING BILL NEARS COMPLETION. An omnibus bill making FY 2010 appropriations for HUD and several other federal agencies has passed the House and the Senate, and President Obama is expected to sign it before the current continuing resolution expires December 18. Many HUD programs received increases, and several new initiatives were funded. Replacing the Rural Housing and Economic Development program is a new \$25 million Rural Innovations Fund, as proposed by the Obama Administration. The omnibus bill, which also includes the Department of Labor, provides \$5.7 million for DOL's migrant and seasonal housing program, with at least 70% of that amount for permanent housing. USDA's FY 2010 spending bill became law October 21 (see *HAC News*, 10/14/09). For the full legislation visit <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app10.html>.

HUD Program (dollars in millions)	FY 2009 Approp.	FY 2010 Admin. Budget	FY 2010 House H.R. 3288	FY 2010 Senate H.R. 3288	FY 2010 Final (H.Rept. 111-355)
Cmty. Devel. Block Grants	\$3,900	\$4,450	\$4,599	\$4,450	\$4,450
Sustainable Commun. Init. (a)	-	(150)	(150)	(150)	(150)
Rural Innovation Fund (a)	-	(25)	(25)	(25)	(25)
University Community Fund (a)	-	(25)	(25)	(0)	(25)
HOME	1,825	1,825	1,995	1,825	1,825
Housing Trust Fund	-	1,000	0	0	0
Tenant-Based Rental Asstnce.	16,217	17,836	18,242	18,100	18,184
Project-Based Rental Asstnce.	7,100	8,100	8,306	8,100	8,552
Vets. Affairs Spptve Hsg. Vouchers	75	0	75	75	75
Public Hsg. Capital Fund	2,450	2,244	2,500	2,500	2,500
Public Hsg. Operating Fund	4,455	4,600	4,800	4,750	4,775
Public Hsg. Revtlzt. (HOPE VI)	120	0	250	0	200
Choice Neighbrhd. Initiative (b)	-	250	0	250	(65)
Native Amer. Hsg. Block Grant	645	645	750	670	700
Native Hawaiian Hsg. Block Grant	10	10	12	13	13
Homeless Assistance Grants	1,677	1,794	1,850	1,875	1,865
Hsg. Opps. for Persons w/ AIDS	310	310	350	320	335
202 Hsg. for Elderly	765	765	1,000	785	825
811 Hsg. for Disabled	248	250	350	265	300
Fair Housing	54	72	72	72	72
Rural Hsg. & Econ. Dev. (RHED)	26	0	0	0	0
Self-Help Homeownshp. (SHOP)	26.5	27	27	27	27
Lead Hazard Control	140	140	140	140	140
Housing Counseling	65	100	75	100	87.5
Transformation Initiative (c)	-	20	20	20	20
Energy Innovation Fund	-	100	50	75	50

a. Proposed new initiatives under CDBG. b. Proposed in President's budget to replace HOPE VI; included in final bill as \$65 million demonstration. c. New initiative to combat mortgage fraud.

HUD PROPOSES TRUST FUND ALLOCATION FORMULA. The formula would apportion grants to states from the not-yet-funded National Housing Trust Fund. Comments are due February 2. See *Federal Register*, 12/4/09, or <http://www.regulations.gov>. Contact Marcia Sigal, HUD, 202-708-2684. National Low Income Housing Coalition estimates of state funding are at <http://www.nlihc.org/doc/NHTF-State-Estimates.pdf>.

MORTGAGE LICENSING STANDARDS DRAFTED. The 2008 Secure and Fair Enforcement (SAFE) Mortgage Licensing Act requires state licensing of mortgage originators and a nationwide registration system. Comments are due February 16 on HUD's proposed enforcement procedures and standards for state laws. See *Federal Register*, 12/15/09, or <http://www.regulations.gov>. Contact William W. Matchneer III, HUD, 202-708-6401. For information about SAFE and the laws already adopted by many states, visit <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/ramh/safe/smlifact.cfm> and <http://mortgage.nationwidelicensingsystem.org/safe/>.