Community Services Program Policy

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To: Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Grantees

From: Community Services Program

Reference: CSBG Policy #2: Board Size and Composition

POLICY #2

Community Services Block Grant funded eligible entities must have a minimum of three (3) Tripartite Board Members, or a maximum of fifteen (15) members, unless the eligible entity is receiving funding for multiple counties.

Tripartite Board members must reside in the county that is receiving the CSBG funding. The Tripartite Board composition will be composed to ensure that:

- Not fewer than one-third (1/3) of the members are persons chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to assure that these members (A) are representative of low-income individuals and families in the neighborhood served; (B) reside in the neighborhood served; and (C) are able to participate actively in the development, planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of programs under the CSBG.
- One-third (1/3) of the board members are elected public officials, or their appointed representatives, holding office on the date of selection to the board.
- No less than one (1) person from the public, such as officials or members of business, industry, labor, faith based organizations, law enforcement, education, etc. is included on the board.
- The number of board members representing persons with low-incomes must always be equal to or more than the number of elected public officials or their representative. The number of board members representing persons with low-incomes must also always be equal to or more than the number of persons from the public.
- Eligible entities who receive funds to serve more than one county must have a representative from that county as a member of the Tripartite Board.