CFR part 15. (See 24 CFR part 12 subpart C, and the notice published in the **Federal Register** on January 16, 1992 (57 FR 1942), for further information on these disclosure requirements.)

1. Allocations. The requirements for allocating funds to field offices responsible for program administration are found at 24 CFR 953.101. Following these requirements, the allocation for FY 1995 is as follows:

Eastern Woodlands Southern Plains Northern Plains Southwest Northwest Alaska	7,028,048 19,008,484 2,751,491
Total	44,500,000

The total FY 1995 ICDBG allocation is \$46,000,000. As indicated in Section I(b)3 below, \$1,500,000 has been retained to fund Imminent Threat grants.

2. Grant Ceilings. The authority to establish grant ceilings is found at 24 CFR 953.100(b)(1). Grant ceilings are established for FY 1995 funding at the following levels:

Field offices	Population	Ceiling
Eastern Woodlands	ALL ALL 50,001+ 10,501-50,000 9,001-10,000 7,501-9,000 6,001-7,500 4,501-6,000 3,001-4,500 1,501-3,000 1-1,500	\$300,000 750,000 800,000 5,000,000 2,500,000 2,000,000 1,500,000 750,000 650,000 450,000
Northwest	ALL ALL	320,000 500,000

## 3. Imminent Threats

The criteria for grants to alleviate or remove imminent threats to health or safety that require an immediate solution are described at 24 CFR part 953, subpart E. In accordance with the provisions of that subpart, \$1,500,000 is being retained to meet the funding needs of imminent threat applications submitted to any of the field offices. The grant ceiling for imminent threat applications for FY 1995 is 350,000. This ceiling is established pursuant to the requirements of 24 CFR 953.100(c).

## (c) Eligibility of Activities

Activities that are eligible for ICDBG funds are identified at 24 CFR part 570 subpart C, as modified by 24 CFR part 953 subpart C. Both the National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA) (P.L. 101-625) and the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (the 1992 Act) (P.L. 102-550) amended Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (HCD Act). Various amendments made by these two acts are applicable.

## (d) Applicant Eligibility

To apply for funding in a given fiscal year, an applicant must be eligible as an Indian Tribe or Alaska Native Village (or as a tribal organization) by the application submission date.

Tribal organizations are permitted to submit applications under 24 CFR 953.5(b) on behalf of eligible tribes or villages when one or more eligible tribe(s) or village(s) authorize the

organization to do so under concurring resolutions. As is stated in this regulatory section, the tribal organization must itself be eligible under Title I of the Indian Self-**Determination and Education** Assistance Act.

If a tribe or tribal organization claims that it is a successor to an eligible entity, the field office must review the documentation to determine whether it is in fact the successor entity.

Due to the unique structure of tribal entities eligible to submit ICDBG applications in Alaska, and as only one ICDBG application may be submitted for each area within the jurisdiction of an entity eligible under 24 CFR 953.5, a Village Corporation, Regional Corporation or Tribal Organization which submits an application for activities in the jurisdiction of one or more eligible tribes or villages, must include a concurring resolution from each such tribe or village authorizing the submittal of the application. Each such resolution must also indicate that the tribe or village does not itself intend to submit an ICDBG application for that funding round. The hierarchy for funding priority continues to be the IRA Council, the Traditional Village Council, the Village Corporation and the Regional Corporation.

Ŏn October 21, 1993, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) published a **Federal Register** Notice entitled "Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs". This Notice provides a listing of Indian Tribal Entities in

Alaska found to be Indian Tribes as the term is defined and used in 25 CFR 83. Additionally, pursuant to Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, ANCSA Village Corporations and Regional Corporations are also considered tribes and therefore eligible applicants for the ICDBG program.

Any questions regarding eligibility determinations and related documentation requirements for entities in Alaska should be referred to the Alaska field office prior to the deadline for submitting an application. (See 24 CFR 953.5 for a complete description of eligible applicants.)

## (e) Screening for Acceptance

Each field office will initially screen applications for single purpose grants. Applications failing this initial screening shall be rejected and returned to the applicants unrated. Field offices will accept applications if all the criteria listed below as items 1. through 6. are met:

- 1. The application is received by the appropriate field office no later than 3:00 p.m. on the deadline date.
  - 2. The applicant is eligible;
  - 3. The proposed activities are eligible;
- 4. The application contains substantially all the components specified in Section III of this notice; and
- 5. At least 70% of the grant funds are to be used for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons, in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR 953.201(a).