a substantial period of time, or the IHA serving the applicant has not received **HUD Public and Indian Housing new** construction assistance in a substantial period of time due to limited HUD appropriations. The period of time during which the IHA serving the applicant does not receive funding for inadequate or poor performance by the applicant does not count towards the period of time that no assistance has been provided by HUD.

No assistance from IHA for 10 years or longer—15 points

No assistance from IHA for 6–9.9 years-10 points

No assistance from IHA for 0-5.9 years—0 points

- (ii) Adopted housing construction policies and plan. The plan must include a description of the proposed subrecipient and its relationship to the applicant. In addition, the policies and plan must include:
- -A selection system that gives priority to the neediest households. Neediest shall be defined as households whose current residences are in the greatest disrepair, or very low-income households, or households without permanent housing.

-A system effectively addressing longterm maintenance of the constructed units.

-Estimated costs and identification of the entity responsible for paying utilities, fire hazard insurance and other normal maintenance costs.

-Policies governing ownership of the units, including the status of the land.

- -Description of a comprehensive plan or approach being implemented by the tribe to meet the housing needs of its members.
- Policies governing disposition or conversion to non-dwelling uses of substandard units that will be vacated when a replacement unit is provided. Acceptable policies and plan—20 points Unacceptable policies and plan—0 points

(iii) Beneficiary identification. Households to be assisted are identified in the application and their income eligibility is documented. (10 points)

Households to be assisted not identified or, if identified, their income eligibility is not documented. (0 points)

b. Planning and Implementation. (45 points)

(i) Occupancy Standards. The proposed housing will be designed and built according to adopted reasonable standards that govern the size of the housing in relation to the size of the occupying household (minimum and maximum number of persons allowed for the number of sleeping rooms); the

minimum and maximum square footage allowed for major living spaces (bedrooms, living room, kitchen and dining room). The standards must be submitted with the application.

Applicant has adopted reasonable occupancy standards which are included in the application. (10 points)

Applicant has not adopted reasonable occupancy standards or the standards were not included in the application. (0 points)

(ii) Site Acceptability. The applicant (or the proposed beneficiary household) has control of the land upon which the units will be built. The applicant has provided documentation from the BIA that all housing sites are in trust (or will be taken into trust within one year of the date of the ICDBG approval notification). If the sites are not in trust by the date of ICDBG approval notification, documentation that they are in trust must be provided to the field office before ICDBG funds may be obligated for construction.

A preliminary investigation of the site(s) has been conducted by a qualified entity independent of the applicant. Based on this investigation (which must be included in the application) the site(s) appear to meet all applicable requirements:

- —Soil conditions appear to be suitable for individual or community septic systems or other acceptable methods for waste water collection and treatment have been identified:
- -Each site has adequate:
- —Availability of drinking water
- —Access to utilities
- —Vehicular access
- —Drainage.

YES 15 points NO 0 points

(iii) Energy Conservation Design. The proposed housing units have been designed in a manner which will ensure that energy use will be no greater than that for comparable units in the same general geographic area that have been constructed in accordance with applicable state energy conservation standards for residential construction. Any special design features, materials, or construction techniques which enhance energy conservation must be described.

YES 5 points NO 0 points

(iv) Housing Survey. The applicant has completed a survey of housing conditions and housing needs of its tribal members. This survey was completed within the twelve month period prior to the application submission deadline (or if an earlier survey, it was updated during this time period). The survey must be submitted with the application. The following descriptive data is included for each household surveyed:

-Size of the household, inc. age and gender of any children

Is the household occupying permanent housing or is it homeless?

Annual household income

—Owner or renter

-Number of habitable rooms and number of sleeping rooms

-Physical condition of the unit standard/substandard. If substandard, is it suitable for rehabilitation? A definition of "suitable for rehabilitation" must be included.

Number of distinct households occupying the unit/degree of

overcrowding

If there is a need for a replacement unit, what are the housing preferences of the household, e.g. ownership or rental; location; manufactured or stick-built.

An acceptable survey was submitted. (10 points)

The survey submitted was not acceptable or no survey was submitted.

(v) Cost Effectiveness of New Housing Construction. This is a measure of how efficiently and effectively funds will be used under the proposed program. Applicants must demonstrate how the proposed housing activities will be accomplished in an efficient and cost effective manner.

The applicant has demonstrated that the proposed activities are cost effective. (5 points)

The applicant has not demonstrated that the proposed activities are cost effective. (0 points)

c. Leveraging. (10 points)

Points under this component will be awarded in a manner consistent with the definition of "Leverage" included in this NOFA and the following breakdown:

Non-ICDBG percent of project cost	Points
25 and over	10
20–24.9	8
15–19.9	6
10–14.9	4
5–9.9	2
0–4.9	0

2. Community Facilities.

A. Infrastructure.

(1) Selection Criteria.

a. Project Need and Design. (60 points)

(i) The proposed project meets an essential community development need by fulfilling a function that is critical to the continued existence or orderly development of the community.