• Other partnerships developed by the local residents/HA in the community.

(5) Social Support Services (such as self-sufficiency and youth initiatives):

• Feasibility studies to determine training and social services needs;

• Coordination of support services;

• Training for programs such as child care, early childhood development, parent involvement, volunteer services, parenting skills, and before- and afterschool programs;

• Training programs on health, nutrition, and safety;

• Workshops for youth services, child abuse and neglect prevention, and tutorial services, in partnership with community-based organizations, such as local Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCA/ YWCA, Boys/Girls Scouts, Campfire, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, 4–H Clubs, etc.; and

• Training in the development of strategies to implement youth programs successfully. For example, assessing the needs and problems of the youth; improving youth initiatives that are currently active; and training youth, housing authority staff, and RCs/RMCs/ ROs on youth initiatives and program activities.

(6) General:

• Required training on HUD regulations and policies governing the operation of low-income public and Indian housing, financial management, capacity building to develop the necessary skills to assume management responsibilities at the project, and property management;

• Training in accessing other funding sources;

• Developing performance standards and assessment procedures to measure the success of the RC/RMC/RO;

• Assistance in acquiring fidelity bonding and insurance, but not the cost of the bonding and insurance;

• Assessing potential management functions or tasks that the RC/RMC/RO might undertake;

• Training in resident managementrelated skills, such as computer and clerical (payroll clerk/records management) skills;

 Resident management-related employment training and counseling;

• Hiring trainers or other experts (resident grantees must ensure that all training is provided by a qualified housing management specialist, a community development specialist, the HA, or other sources knowledgeable about the program). Generally, no more than 50% of the grant funds or \$50,000, whichever is less, should be used for any one consultant for this purpose; • Rental or lease of a car, van, or bus by resident grantees to attend training related to the TOP initiatives; and

• Stipends, as provided in this paragraph. Officers and members of a RC/RMC/RO should not receive stipends for participating in or receiving training under the TOP. If RCs/RMCs/ ROs are interested in implementing resident-managed activities, stipends will be approved, subject to the availability of funds, when the officers and members of the resident entity have successfully completed the first stage of training on any TOP initiative, dual management contract with the HA, or a HA-operated career-related training program. Generally, no more than 20% of the grant funds should be used for this purpose.

(7) Capacity building and training to facilitate resident participation in the Comprehensive Grant Program.

(8) Implementation of activities by a RC/RMC/RO associated with the operation and maintenance of the public and Indian housing project. Examples of eligible activities in this category that have not been mentioned previously are:

• Designing and implementing financial management systems that include provisions for budgeting, accounting, and auditing;

• Designing and implementing personnel policies; performance standards for measuring staff productivity; policies and procedures covering organizational structure, such as recordkeeping, maintenance, insurance, occupancy, and management information systems; any other recognized functional responsibilities relating to property management, in general, and public and Indian housing management, in particular; and responsibilities relating to any TOP initiative;

• Identifying the social support needs of residents, and the securing of that support by hiring a services coordinator to coordinate and assist in implementing the services needed by the residents, such as health clinics, day care, and security; and

• Assessing potential homeownership opportunities for residents within public and Indian housing or anywhere in the community.

(9) Administrative costs necessary for the implementation of activities outlined in paragraphs (1) through (8) of this Section I.H, "Eligible Activities," of the NOFA. Appropriate administrative costs include, but are not limited to, the following items or activities:

• Telephone, telegraph, printing, and sundry nondwelling equipment (such as office supplies, computer software, and

furniture). In addition, a reasonable portion of funds may be applied to the acquisition of equipment, such as computer hardware and copying machines, unless purchase of this equipment can be made from a grantee's operating budget. A grantee must justify the need for this equipment in relationship to its management capability and the level of its management responsibilities;

• HUD-approved travel directly related to activities for the development/training and implementation of resident management or any tenant opportunity initiatives, including conference fees, related per diem for meals, and miscellaneous travel expenses for individual staff or board members of the RC/RMC/RO; and

• Child care expenses for individual staff and board members, in cases where staff or board members who need child care are involved in training-related activities associated with the development of resident management entities. Not more than 2 percent of the total grant amount (0.02 times the grant award amount) may be used for expenses to support child care needs.

(10) For NROs/RROs/SROs only: Organizing and establishing democratically elected and effective RCs/RMCs/ROs:

• Identifying existing funded resident organizations in a geographical area that are inactive and providing training and technical assistance to help them become active again;

• Assisting new resident organizations within a geographical area to become a RC, RMC, or RO; and

• Providing local or on-site training and technical assistance to the inactive or newly formed resident organization, to enable it to implement activities included in the Work Plan within the time and budget constraints.

• Providing training and technical assistance to the resident organizations in accomplishing any of the eligible activities related to the TOP initiatives.

I. Ineligible Activities

Ineligible items or activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Entertainment, including associated costs such as food and beverages, except normal per diem for meals related to travel;

(2) Purchase or rental of land or buildings or any improvements to land or buildings;

(3) Activities not directly related to the TOP initiatives, e.g., lead-based paint testing and abatement and operating capital for economic development activities;