rental vouchers and certificates under the general use Mainstream Program. Each application must include the items identified in Section I.(D) of the NOFA, Application Submission Requirements—General, and items in this section of the NOFA for the general use Mainstream Program.

(1) Description of Need for Mainstream Program Rental Assistance

The application must demonstrate a significant need for Mainstream Program rental vouchers and certificates, and demonstrate that the demand for such housing would equal or exceed the requested number of units.

(2) Mainstream Program Operating Plan

The application must include a description of an adequate plan for operating a program to serve eligible persons with disabilities, including a description of how the HA will carry out its responsibilities under 24 CFR 8.28 to assist recipients in locating units with needed accessibility features.

(3) Supportive Services Plan

The application must describe an adequate plan to assist recipients of Mainstream Program rental assistance, should they request such assistance, to gain access to supportive services available within the community. The application must demonstrate that the HA has identified service providers who will assist recipients to overcome impediments to success in the Mainstream Program. Such provider may include nonprofit organizations able to fund accessibility renovation and supportive services providers able to assist recipients to meet such lease obligations as adequate housekeeping and timely rental payments.

(F) Corrections to Deficient Applications

(1) Acceptable Applications

See Section I.(G)(1) of this NOFA.

(2) Unacceptable Applications

See Section I.(G)(2) of this NOFA.

(G) Mainstream Program Application Selection Process

(1) Application Option in Support of Designated Housing Allocation Plans

(a) HUD Office Review. Upon receipt, the Office of Public Housing in the HUD Office will screen HA applications and stop processing any applications found unacceptable for further processing. Immediately after screening an acceptable application, the Offices of Public Housing and Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity in the HUD Office will review the applicant's designated housing allocation plan in accordance with 24 CFR 945.203.

If, within the 45-day or 90-day review period provided under 24 CFR 945.203(e)(2), the HUD Office finds an allocation plan approvable, subject to receipt of the requested rental assistance, the Offices of Public Housing and Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity will review the rest of the Mainstream Program application to determine if the application is technically adequate and responsive to the requirements of the NOFA. If the HUD Office determines that an allocation plan is approvable, and that the remainder of the Mainstream Program application is technically adequate and responsive, it will recommend to HUD Headquarters that the application be funded.

If the HUD Office disapproves an allocation plan submitted in response to this NOFA, the HA's application under the Mainstream Program will be rejected and the HA will not be eligible for the rental vouchers and certificates available under this Mainstream Program NOFA. However, the HA may continue to pursue its plans to designate housing for elderly families if it can identify other additional housing resources that it will need to meet the designated housing allocation plan requirements under 24 CFR 945.203.

(b) Funding. Headquarters will fund all applications that are recommended for funding by the HUD Offices, unless HUD receives approvable applications for more funds than allocated for the designated housing allocation plan application option. If HUD receives approvable applications for more funding than is available for the allocation plan option, HUD will select applicants to be funded by lottery. All HAs identified by the HUD Offices as having submitted technically adequate and responsive applications will be included in the lottery. As HAs are selected, the cost of funding the applications will be subtracted from the funds available. In order to achieve geographic diversity, HUD Headquarters will limit the number of applications selected for funding from any state to 10 percent of the budget authority available for the designated housing allocation plan application option.

(2) Application Option for General Use Mainstream Program

After the HUD Office has screened HA applications and disapproved any applications found unacceptable for further processing (see Section I.(G)(2) of this NOFA), the HUD Office will review all acceptable applications to ensure that they are technically adequate and responsive to the requirements of the NOFA. Each HUD Office will send to HUD Headquarters the following information on each application that is found technically adequate and responsive:

(a) Name and address of the HA;(b) HUD Office contact person and telephone number;

(c) The completed fund reservation worksheet, indicating the number of units requested in the HA application and approved by the HUD Office during the course of its review, and the corresponding budget authority.

Headquarters will select eligible HAs to be funded by lottery. All HAs identified by the HUD Offices as having submitted technically adequate and responsive applications will be included in the lottery. As HAs are selected, the cost of funding the applications will be subtracted from the funds available. In order to achieve geographic diversity, HUD Headquarters will limit the number of applications selected for funding from any state to 10 percent of the budget authority available for the general use Mainstream Program.

Applications will be funded for the total number of units requested by the HA and approved by the HUD Office in accordance with the NOFA. However, when remaining budget authority is insufficient to fund the last selected HA application in full, HUD Headquarters will fund that application to the extent of the funding available.

(3) Program Type

If an HA application specifically requests funding for either rental vouchers or rental certificates, and funding for the specified program is not available, HUD will award the available form of assistance, notwithstanding the program type specified in the HA application.

VII. NOFA for Persons With HIV/AIDS

(A) Application Deadline Date for Persons With HIV/AIDS Subprogram

The Deadline Date for applications for the subprogram for Persons with HIV/ AIDS is listed in Section I.(B) of the NOFA.

(B) Purpose and Substantive Description of Subprogram for Persons With HIV/ AIDS

(1) General

The two subprograms for Persons with HIV/AIDS and for Homeless Families together provide approximately \$514 million in budget authority for an estimated 15,000 rental vouchers and certificates for homeless