- The applicant's PHMAP score is in the "high performer" range;
- For IHAs, the applicant is not a "high risk" IHA, as defined in 905.135, or has developed innovative strategies to improve management of its developments.
- (ii) A *medium score* (7–13 points) is received where the applicant:
- Does not currently provide similar programs, but demonstrates how the services will be coordinated and complemented with other programs;
- The applicant's PHMAP score is in the "standard" range (less than 90) and the HA has clearly identified innovative strategies to improve management of its development;
- For IHAs, the applicant is a high risk IHA, but indicates that it has specific plans for improving management of its developments.
- (iii) A *low score* (1–6 points) is received where:
- It is unclear if the applicant or designated service provider has experience in providing similar supportive services programs;
- The applicant's PHMAP score is in the "troubled" range, but the applicant is currently implementing local, State, or Federal partnerships in an effort to develop effective strategies to improve its management capacity;
- For IHAs, the applicant is a high risk IHA and does not indicate specific plans for improving management of its developments.
- (d) Resident Involvement/Local Partnerships [25 Points]

The extent to which the HA has demonstrated that it has partnered with residents in the planning phase for the FIC and will further include the residents in the implementation phase (evidence of such a partnership may be in the form of a resident council board resolution or letter). The extent to which the HA will contract with or employ residents to provide services and conduct renovation/conversion/ construction activities. In addition, the HA shall include a certification that it is implementing a FSS program (IHAs without FSS programs that have established counseling programs, such as those found in Mutual Help (MH), may provide similar certification) and shall provide evidence of the extent to which the HA has coordinated with tribal, State, or local social service agencies the implementation of the program, including in those target areas, such as Weed and Seed, distressed (as defined by the Housing Authority), etc. In assigning points for this factor, HUD shall consider the extent of the involvement of those agencies in the

- development of the application and their commitment of assistance in the implementation of the FIC. The commitment of these agencies may be demonstrated through evidence of intent to provide direct financial assistance or other resources, such as social services (*i.e.*, counseling and training), the use of public/Indian housing funds available through existing State and local programs or other commitments.
- (i) A *high score* (18–25 points) is received where the applicant provides:
- Evidence that it has a strong and cooperative partnership with its residents and that residents were involved in the development of the application;
- Evidence that the residents will continue their involvement throughout the implementation stages of the FIC, including evidence that the applicant will seek resident input in identifying resident needs;
- Evidence that the applicant will contract with or employ residents to provide services and conduct renovation/conversion/construction activities:
- Certification (in letter or resolution) that it is currently implementing a FSS program (or similar Mutual Help Program), and demonstrates success with previous partnerships in other similar program efforts.
- Evidence that the facility will be located in a target area, such as Weed and Seed, distressed, etc.;
- Evidence of strong and committed partnerships with existing social service agencies and evidence of social service agencies' intent to provide various resources to the FIC (identifying source committed, availability of funds, etc.).
- (ii) A *medium score* (9–17 points) is received where:
- The applicant mentions its partnership with residents. Where the residents were notified of the FIC, but were not involved in the development of the application, the applicant ensures that the residents' role will be increased during the implementation stages of the FIC:
- The applicant states its intent to provide services, although the plan for hiring and contracting is not specific;
- The applicant provides certification (in letter or resolution) that it is currently implementing a similar program (volunteer) utilizing partnerships with service agencies in its locality;
- The FIC facility will not be located in a target area, such as Weed and Seed, distressed, etc.;
- The applicant provides some evidence of partnerships with existing

- social service agencies and some evidence of social service agencies' intent to provide various resources to the FIC (identifying source committed, availability of funds, etc.).
- (iii) A *low score* (1–8 points) is received where the applicant:
- Mentions a partnership with existing social service agencies, but evidence of such support is not provided;
- Does not currently implement a FSS program or a Federal or local program similar to Mutual Help, but has indicated its intent to implement such a program;
- Mentions its efforts to coordinate the FIC facility in a target area, but does not include evidence of commitments from existing local, State, Federal sources.

## H. Environmental Review

To ensure that site-specific environmental impacts will be addressed before assistance is provided to the HA, HUD will conduct an environmental review of those eligible activities in accordance with 24 CFR part 50. The environmental impact of FIC eligible activities, such as renovation, construction, conversion, or acquisition will be local in scope and will be addressed in the localized setting in which they occur. The HA is expected to adhere to all assurances and requirements of the environmental review.

## **II. Application Submissions Process**

## A. Application Kit

An application kit is required as the formal submission to apply for funding. The kit includes information and guidance on preparation of a Plan and Budget for activities proposed by the applicant. This process facilitates the execution of the grant for those selected to receive funding. An application may be obtained from the local HUD State/ Area Offices with delegated responsibilities over an applying HA (See Appendix for listing), or by calling **HUD's Resident Initiatives** Clearinghouse toll-free number 1-800-955–2232. Requests for application kits must include your name, mailing address or P.O. Box (including zip code), and telephone number (including area code), and should refer to document FR-3832-N-01. Applications may be requested beginning February 15, 1995.

## B. Application Submission

The original and two copies of the application must be submitted. The Appendix lists addresses of HUD State/