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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE LIST ATTACHED

FROM: Richard J. Kennedy, Director, Office of Block Grant Assistance, DGB

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SUBJECT: "Uncapped" Income Limits for 2003

The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (Title V of Public Law 105-276) enacted a provision that directed the Department to grant exceptions to at least 10 jurisdictions that are currently "capped" under HUD's low-and moderate-income limits. Under this exception, a total of 76 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement grantees and 45 HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) participating jurisdictions may use "uncapped" income limits that reflect 80 percent of the actual median income for the area. This reflects an increase of eight grantees from the original 68 grantees identified in 1999.

The attachment to this memorandum provides the 2003 "uncapped" income limits for the jurisdictions covered by this exception. The "uncapped" income limits for 2000 – 2002 are also included on the attachment. The highlighted uncapped income limits for both San Francisco and Orange County are lower than the normal, formula-based Low-Income limits. These calculations are described in HUD's FY 2003 Income Limits Briefing Material, which may be obtained at: www.huduser.org/datasets/il/fmr/index.html. Contact Marie L. Lihn in the Office of Policy Development and Research at (202) 708-0590, extension 5866 or by e-mail at Marie\_L.\_Lihn@hud.gov for an explanation of the Income Limits Briefing Material. Please ensure that grantees that choose to use the "uncapped" income limits for some or all of their HOME or CDBG-assisted activities reflect this determination in their Consolidated Plan/Action Plans.

The use of "low-income limits" in the attachment is a reference to the Section 8 low-income limits (i.e., 80 percent of the median income for the area). These are the income limits established by HUD and referred to the definition of low-and moderate-income person in the CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.3, and in the definition of low-income families in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.2.

If you have any questions, please contact the Entitlement Communities Division at (202) 708-1577 or the Office of Affordable Housing Programs Policy Division at (202) 708-2470.

Attachments

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## "Uncapped" Income Limits Areas

- CA ANAHEIM
- CA BUENA PARK
- CA COSTA MESA
- \*CA CUPERTINO CITY
- CA DALY CITY
- CA FOUNTAIN VALLEY
- CA FULLERTON
- CA GARDEN GROVE
- CA GILROY CITY
- CA HUNTINGTON BEACH
- CA IRVINE
- CA LAGUNA NIGUEL
- CA LA HABRA
- CA LAKE FOREST
- CA MARIN COUNTY
- CA MILPITAS CITY
- CA MISSION VIEJO
- CA MOUNTAIN VIEW
- CA NEWPORT BEACH
- CA ORANGE
- CA ORANGE COUNTY
- CA PALO ALTO
- CA REDWOOD CITY
- CA SAN FRANCISCO
- CA SAN JOSE
- CA SAN MATEO CITY
- CA SAN MATEO COUNTY
- CA SANTA ANA
- CA SANTA CLARA
- CA SANTA CLARA COUNTY
- CA SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
- CA SUNNYVALE
- CA TUSTIN
- CA WESTMINSTER
- CA YORBA LINDA
- CT DANBURY
- CT GREENWICH
- CT NORWALK
- CT STAMFORD
- DC WASHINGTON
- \*MD BOWIE CITY
- MD FREDERICK
- \*MD GAITHERSBURG
- MD MONTGOMERY COUNTY
- MD PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY

- NJ BERGEN COUNT
- NJ CLIFTON
- NJ EDISON
- \*NJ FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
- NJ MIDDLESEX COUNTY
- NJ NEW BRUNSWICK
- NJ PASSAIC
- NJ PATERSON
- NJ PERTH AMBOY
- NJ OLD BRIDGE TOWNSHIP
- NJ SAYREVILLE
- NJ SOMERSET COUNTY
- NJ WAYNE TOWNSHIP
- NJ WOODBRIDGE
- NY BABYLON TOWN
- NY HUNTINGTON TOWN
- NY ISLIP TOWN
- NY MOUNT VERNON
- NY NASSAU COUNTY
- \*NY NEW ROCHELLE
- NY SUFFOLK COUNTY
- NY WESTCHESTER COUNTY
- NY WHITE PLAINS
- NY YONKERS
- VA ALEXANDRIA
- VA ARLINGTON COUNTY
- VA FAIRFAX COUNTY
- VA FREDERICKSBURG
- \*VA PRINCE WILLIAM CO.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates new grantee added to list since 1999.