Indigenous Housing in Metro-Areas: Leveraging Federal Block Grants for Urban Housing

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The Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) established a single flexible federal block grant for tribes and Tribal Designated Housing Entities to provide housing assistance to their tribal members. This shift recognized tribal rights of tribal self-determination and self-governance, and it recognized the mechanism by which Indian reservation compensation for lost resources. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development currently administers the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) annually, with funds typically prioritized to housing on reservation or tribal lands. In Oregon, a majority of funds go to the ongoing operation and maintenance of 1937 Housing Act units.

The population of Indigenous peoples living in metropolitan areas is growing, and while urban areas may include reservations or Alaska Native village areas, most control less than 1% of designated tribal lands. In Portland, the Nesika Illahee development is part-funded by an IHBG grant awarded to the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon. This case study in financing multi-family housing in urban areas with units provided for Indigenous families. 80 percent of the 5,100 enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians live within the state of Oregon, but fewer than a third live on its reservation. An IHBG recipient, the State of Oregon has the flexibility to leverage their federal dollars to access other sources of funds. In partnership with private developers and culturally-specific community service organizations, Nesika Illahee will provide 88 units of housing for families earning 60 percent or less of Portland’s Area Median Income. The Nesika Illahee development is the first time a partnership of private developers, a tribal entity, and community service organizations has built affordable housing for Native families in Portland. The funding strategy utilized local, state, and federal funds attached to different entities, and community service organizations has built affordable housing for Native families in Portland. The funding strategy utilized local, state, and federal funds attached to different entities, and community service organizations has built affordable housing for Native families in Portland. The funding strategy utilized local, state, and federal funds attached to different entities, and community service organizations has built affordable housing for Native families in Portland. The funding strategy utilized local, state, and federal funds attached to different entities, and community service organizations has built affordable housing for Native families in Portland. 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