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#### Special Attention of: All HUD-Approved Nonprofits and Government Entities

#### **NOTICE H 2014-06**

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Expires: This Notice remains in effect until amended, superseded or rescinded.

Subject	Guidance on Nonprofits Assisting Government Entities in Providing Secondary Financing in Conjunction with FHA-Insured Mortgages	
Purpose	This Housing Notice clarifies whether nonprofit organizations assisting with a government entity's secondary financing program require HUD approval and placement on the Nonprofit Organization Roster.	
Effective Date	The guidance in this Housing Notice (HN) is effective upon publication.	
Background	<ul> <li>HUD currently requires nonprofit organizations and nonprofit instrumentalities of government ("Nonprofits") to be HUD approved and placed on the Nonprofit Organization Roster before engaging in secondary financing activities for closing costs, prepaids, and down payment assistance when the nonprofit is doing so on behalf of the government entity.</li> <li>In Mortgagee Letter 2013-14, FHA recognized that some government entities could not legally or operationally ensure that secondary financing is "made" by the government entity and permitted the secondary financing component to be made by an FHA-approved mortgagee or HUD-approved nonprofit on behalf of the governmental entity provided the mortgagee or nonprofit was not a prohibited source and the government entity held the secondary</li> </ul>	
	financing prior to endorsement of the first mortgage for FHA insurance until further notice.	

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Nonprofits Assisting the Government Entity in Providing Secondary Financing Where a government entity partners uses a nonprofit to assist in the operation of the government entity's secondary assistance programs, HUD approval and placement on the Nonprofit Organization Roster <u>are not</u> required so long as there is a documented agreement that (1) the functions performed are limited to the government entity's secondary financing program and (2) the secondary financing legal documents (Note and Deed of Trust) name the government entity as the Mortgagee.

Where a nonprofit closes secondary financing in its own name, that nonprofit is required to be both HUD approved and placed on the Nonprofit Organization Roster even if the secondary financing will be held by the government entity.

Government entities that have nonprofits close the secondary financing in the name of the nonprofit must verify that the nonprofit is both HUD approved <u>and</u> on the Nonprofit Organization Roster at <u>https://entp.hud.gov/idapp/html/f17npdata.cfm</u>.

A nonprofit participating in another HUD program that requires approval must obtain approval from HUD and be placed on the Nonprofit Organization Roster.

Attachment A: Nonprofit Matrix clarifies when nonprofit organizations assisting with a government entity's secondary financing program require both HUD approval and placement on the Nonprofit Organization Roster.

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**Documentation Requirements** An FHA-approved mortgagee is required to include a letter from the government entity evidencing the relationship between the government entity and nonprofit in the case binder for each FHA-insured mortgage. The letter must be on the government entity's letterhead (signed by an authorized official for the government entity) and contain the following information:

- the FHA case number for the first mortgage;
- the complete property address;
- the name, address and Tax ID for the nonprofit;
- the name of the borrower(s) to whom the nonprofit is providing secondary financing;
- the amount and purpose for the secondary financing provided to the borrower; and
- a statement indicating whether the secondary financing:
  - 1) will close in the name of the government entity, or
  - 2) will be closed in the name of the nonprofit and held by the government entity.

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- SignatureCarol J. GalanteAssistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner

#### Attachment

# Attachment A: Nonprofit Matrix

Secondary Financing Legal Documents	HUD Approval and Roster Placement Required	Government Entity (GE) Must Satisfy Documentation Requirements of ML 2014-08
The secondary financing legal documents are in the name of the GE.	No	Yes
The secondary financing legal documents are in the name of the nonprofit and will be held by the GE prior to issuance of FHA insurance.	Yes	Yes
The secondary financing legal documents are in the name of the nonprofit and will be held by the nonprofit prior to issuance of FHA insurance.	Yes	No