#### Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program

# How Are Tribes and Housing Authorities Using the 184 Loan?



Office of Public & Indian Housing



### **Section 184 Program Overview**

- I992 Housing and Community Development
  Act
- Annual funding by Congress
- Nationwide Program

#### Why? Uniqueness in Indian Country

- Government to government relationships
- Unique land status
  - Tribal Trust Land
  - Allotted Trust Land
  - Unrestricted Land
- Underserved markets
  - Non-traditional credit
  - Limited access/exposure to financing

## **Indian Country**

- A varied housing market
- Location
- Income
  - (per cap income)
  - (non taxable income)
- Title Issues
  - On reservation title provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Appraisal

- Market or cost approach determined by the assigned appraiser
- Tribe and Housing Authority able to borrow to increase housing opportunities on and offereservation

### BASICS OF THE 184 LOAN

#### Section 184 Loan

#### Mortgage Loan for Native Americans, Tribes and Housing Authorities

- Individuals enrolled in a Federally Recognized Tribe
  - Homeownership

#### • Tribes or Housing Authorities

- Sale
- Long Term Lease to Own
- Rental
- Assumption

#### **184 Partners**

- HUD 184 Program Staff
- Lenders
  - Over 250 participating Lenders
- Tribes
- Housing Authority
- Bureau of Indian Affairs

### **Role of HUD and Lender**

#### HUD

Develops and Implements Policy Conducts Training and Marketing Underwrites the Loan Issues the Ioan guarantee certificate Liaison between Lenders and Tribal Government

#### Lender

Initial contact with the applicant Liaison between HUD and applicant Lends the money

Processes, prepares, underwrites and closes the mortgage loan

# Role of the Tribe/Housing

- Access Capital to Provide Housing and future homeownership opportunities
- Front/seed Money
- Development
- Address Variety of Housing Needs
- Leasing
- Infrastructure
- Housing Counseling
- And Much More......

# THE TRIBE OR TDHE AS BORROWER

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# Why the Tribe or TDHE should be the borrower?

- Cost effective
  - Financial Resources
  - Infrastructure
- Increase Housing Options
  - Staff and Financial Capacity
  - Timeliness
  - Location
  - Maximize Housing Needs

# Advantages

- Multiple homes
  - 1-20 initial request; no ceiling once tribal/housing capacity determined
- Tribal Driven
  - Debt Service; Location; Conveyance of ownership; rental; land base location
- No limits on occupancy
  - Low, moderate, high income
  - Tribal member
  - Non Tribal members
    - Very low foreclosure!

# Using the 184 Loan For:

- New Housing
  - Manufactured and/or Modular Housing
  - Stick Built
- Rehabilitation of Existing Housing
  - i.e. Mutual Help
- Refinance
  - Cash Out
  - Rehabilitation
  - Lower Debt Ratio

# Where Can the 184 Be Used:

- Tribal Trust on Reservation
  - Leasehold on the land; mortgage on the home
- Fee Simple (Restricted) on Reservation
- Fee Simple Off the Reservation
  - Section 184 approved areas

### **Mortgage Loan Process**

- Apply for the Mortgage Loan through participating lender
  - Tribe or Housing Authority choose the lender

- Lender obtains income/credit documentation to determine eligibility (pre qualification) Eligibility based on financial capacity for up to 20 loans; additional loans once financial ability defined
- Lenders are skilled in assisting the tribe or housing authority to determine the best financial approach to the 184 loan (single close construction, refinance, interim financing, etc.)

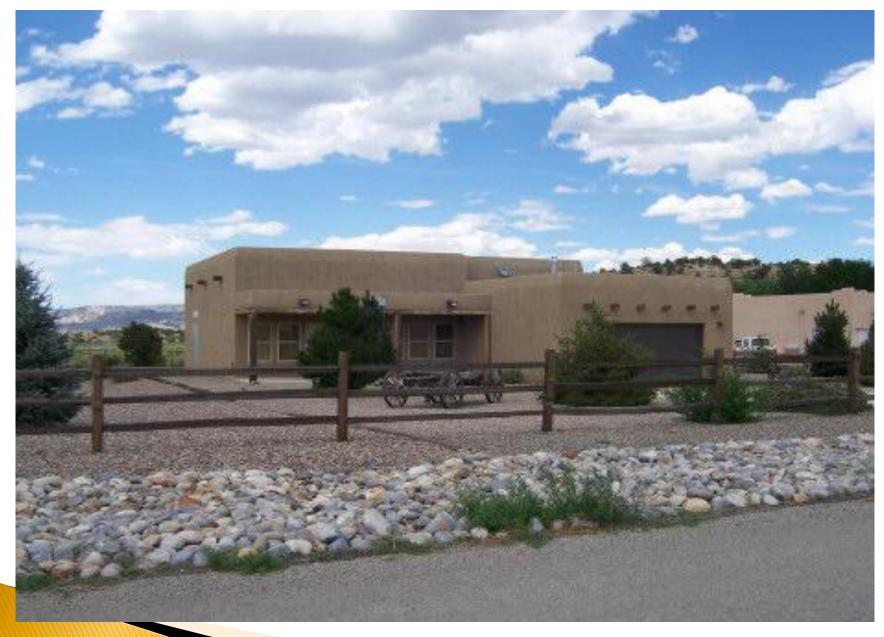
#### Mortgage Loan Process Advantages

- Same Underwriting Requirements
  - Minimal down payment (maximum 2.25%)
  - No Credit Scoring
  - Cashout to replenish funds
  - Select housing type/location
  - Determine need
  - Manage Builder

### **New Development Option**



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# TRIBE/TDHE LOANS

- When the Tribe or TDHE is the borrower for the construction/purchase or rehabilitation of rental property, they must demonstrate:
  - Property management skills
  - Rental and maintenance plan
  - Waiting list of eligible tenants
  - Amount of debt service they will collect to assist with payment of the mortgage

# TRIBE/TDHE LOANS

- Property management skills
- Rental and maintenance plan
- Occupancy of units
- Amount of rehab required (must be \$10,000 or more; must include bids and after improved value of the home)

### TRIBE/TDHE Financial Capacity

- Demonstrated ability to pay mortgage loan:
  - Credit History (Dunn & Bradstreet)
  - Sources of funds to close
  - Income
  - Liabilities
  - Rental property management history

# TRIBE/TDHE LOANS (Cont.)

- Coverage of debt service
- Skills, experience to undertake project
- Demonstration of need
- Marketing plan
- Audited financial statements

# TRIBE/TDHE LOANS (Cont.)

Evidence of authority to borrow

Plans for projects exceeding 20 homes must be built in phases

### **Program Advantages**

- Mortgage loan designated specifically for Native Americans, Tribes, and Housing Authorities
- National Loan Program
  - 22 entire states (Montana an Approved State)
  - On/off reservation
  - Fee simple land (on or off reservation)
  - Tribal trust with an executed lease
  - Individual allotment
    - Individual ownership
    - Fractionated ownership

### **184 Loan Program Advantages**

- Manual Underwrite
- Tribe/Housing Authority can be the borrower for new construction or rehabilitation of existing housing stock.
- Increase housing options on and off reservation for tribal members
- No Credit Scoring
  - NOTE: Applicants must have acceptable Credit
  - Non traditional credit acceptable
- Market interest rate
- Minimum down payment
  - 1.25% if \$49,999 or less
  - 2.25% if \$50,000 or more

- I 00% of the cash requirement can be paid by an acceptable gift source
  - Tribe
  - Housing Authority
  - Family

# It Works!

#### Cherokee

- 619 for \$47,717,768
  - Pending \$2,282,000
- Metlakatla
  - 14 for \$3,182,778
    - 4 Single Units; 6 Duplexes; 4 Fourplexes
    - All Occupied by Tribal Members

# It Works!

- Lac Du Flambeau WI
- Santee Sioux, NE
- Tulalip, WA
- San Felipe, NM
- Red Cliff, MN
- MOWA Choctaw, AL
- Seminole, FL
- Nez Perce, ID
- Coeur D Alene, ID
- Three Affiliated Tribes, ND
- And more.....

#### Montana Loans July 2017

MONTANA	817	\$116,246,935	
FEE SIMPLE	455	\$69,111,020	
TRIBAL TRUST	185	\$22,053,482	
ALLOTTED	177	\$25,082,433	

# **On Reservation Barriers:**

- Title Process
  - BIA delays for lease approval and timeliness to issue certified TSR
- Infrastructure
  - Lack of
  - Cost
  - Indian Health Services
- Environmental
  - Cost
  - Timeliness
- Survey
- Land Base
  - Defined Use
  - Cost
  - Waiting List
- Appraising
  - Lack of appraisers
  - Approach
  - Value of land and site improvements

#### Summary

Contact an approved Section 184 Lender Visit our website at: http//www.codetalk.184.com

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