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Announcement of availability of funds and opportunity to apply under the Older Americans Act, Title VI, Grants for Native Americans, Part A--Indian Program

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration on Aging
[Program Announcement No. AoA-01-13]
Grants to Indian Tribal Organizations for Supportive and
Nutritional Services for Older Indians**

AGENCY: Administration on Aging (AoA), HHS.

ACTION: Announcement of availability of funds and opportunity to apply under the Older Americans Act, Title VI, Grants for Native Americans, Part A--Indian Program.

Applicant Eligibility and Requirements: The AoA will accept applications for funding in fiscal year (FY) 2002 under the Older Americans Act, title VI, Grants for Native Americans, part A--Indian Program, from all current title VI, part A grantees, current grantees who wish to leave a consortium and apply as a new grantee, and eligible federally recognized Indian tribal organizations that are not now participating in title VI and would like to apply as a new grantee. Successful applications from new grantees will be funded if funds permit.

Availability of Funds: Approximately \$23 million dollars may be available in Fiscal Year 002 to fund these grants.

DATES: The deadline date for the submission of applications is January 18, 2002.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background and Program Purpose

The Administration on Aging (AoA) is responsible for administering title VI, part A of the Older Americans Act (OAA). Through this title grants are awarded to Indian tribal organizations representing federally recognized Tribes for providing nutritional and supportive services to Indian elders.

The 1978 Amendments to the Older Americans Act created title VI, Grants for Indian Tribal Organizations, to promote the delivery of supportive and nutritional services for Indian elders that are comparable to services provided under title III of the OAA. (Title III of the OAA, entitled Grants for State and Community Programs on Aging, is the nationwide program of supportive and nutritional services for persons over age 60 of all ethnic groups.)

In the OAA Amendments of 1987, the name of title VI was changed to Grants for Native Americans, and part B, Native Hawaiian Programs, was added.

Nutritional services and information and assistance services are required by the OAA. Nutritional services include congregate meals and home-delivered meals. Supportive services include information and assistance, transportation, chore services, and other supportive services that contribute to the welfare of older Native Americans.

2. Eligibility of an Indian Tribal Organization or Indian Tribe To Receive a Grant

To be eligible to receive a grant, a tribal organization or Indian tribe must meet the application requirements contained in sections 612(a), 612(b), and 612(c) of the OAA, which are: 612(a): (1) the tribal organization represents at least 50 individuals who are 60 years of age or older; and (2) the tribal organization demonstrates the ability to deliver supportive services, including nutritional services. Section 612(b): an Indian tribe represented by an organization specified in subsection (a) shall be eligible for only 1 grant under this part for any fiscal year. Section 612(c): for purposes of title VI, part A, the terms Indian tribe and tribal organization have the same meaning as in section 4 of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

This announcement concerns all federally recognized Indian tribal organization, those currently participating in title VI, part A individually or as members of a consortium and those that are not currently participating in title VI, part A.

3. Available Funds

Distribution of funds among tribal organizations is subject to the availability of appropriations to carry out title VI, part A. As stated in section 614A(a) of the Act, the amount of the grant made under this part to a tribal [[Page 48061]]

Organization for FY 1992 and for each subsequent fiscal year shall not be less than the amount of the grant made under this part to the tribal organization for FY 1991. As stated in section 614A(b) of the Act, if the funds appropriated to carry out this part in a fiscal year subsequent to FY 1991 exceed the funds appropriated to carry out this part in FY 1991, then the amount of the grant (if any) made under this part to a tribal organization for the subsequent fiscal year shall be: (1) increased by such amount as the Assistant Secretary considers to be appropriate, in addition to the amount of any increase required by subsection (a), so that the grant equals or more closely approaches the amount of the grant made under this part to the tribal organization for FY 1980; or (2) an amount the Assistant Secretary considers to be sufficient if the tribal organization did not receive a grant under this part for either FY 1980 or FY 1991.

Applications from current grantees who are a part of a consortium and wish to leave the consortium will be treated as new grant applications. Successful new grant applications for both current grantees who are leaving a consortium and tribal organizations that are not current grantees will be funded pending availability of additional funds.

Information on typical grant levels in FY 2001 is given below as a guide to POSSIBLE funding levels for Tribes representing the following documented numbers of Indian elders over age 60:

Population range (number of older Indians age 60 years and over, represented by the tribal Amounts of awards organization) in FY 2001

50 to 100.....	\$69,110
101 to 200.....	78,420
201 to 300.....	89,040
301 to 400.....	100,350
401 to 500.....	110,980
501 to 1500.....	128,550
1501+.....	168,800
