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Mr. Spencer Duran Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs 221 East 11th Street Austin, TX 78701-2410

Dear Mr. Duran:

OFFICE OF HOUSING

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2013 Section 811 Project Rental Assistance **Program Preliminary Award Letter**

Rental Assistance Number: TX59RDD1301

Grant Amount: \$12,000,000

Number of Units: 296

I am pleased to advise you that your application to provide 296 units of housing for extremely low-income persons with disabilities under the Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) Program has been preliminary selected for an award, subject to negotiation and execution of the award documents.

In accordance with the provision of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113-6), approved March 26, 2013 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law, 113-76), approved January 17, 2014; this award makes available \$120,000,000 with additional funding based on carry-over funds from prior fiscal years for project-based rental assistance and for administrative costs. This award amount takes into account the average tenant contribution or the average state median income towards rent. In addition, the Project Rental Assistance Contract will be made available for the term of five (5) years with subsequent renewals subject to appropriations.

The grant amount listed above is preliminary and is based upon the requested amounts included in the application. The final award amount will be determined after submission of a new budget, please submit a new budget as soon as possible identifying the correct project-based rental assistance amount and administrative costs.

Award Administration

As stated in the Fiscal Year 2013 Section 811 PRA Program Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), this award is preliminary and does not become final until the negotiations are successfully concluded, the Implementation Plan is approved by HUD, and the Cooperative Agreement and other award documents are signed and executed.

HUD requires your participation in the negotiations to determine the specific terms of the Cooperative Agreement. The Agreement establishes the legal relationship between HUD and

you, the grant recipient. The agreement includes the standard terms and conditions, and any supplemental material defining the scope of the program as deemed appropriate by HUD. The Cooperative Agreement will be sent in mid-April following this preliminary award letter.

Technical Assistance

HUD has committed resources to provide grantees with technical assistance (TA) so that the transition from award to occupancy is seamless and successful. This TA is designed to help grantees with the start-up and implementation phases of their programs. The TA will include a series of webinars, conferences and quarterly conference calls. We highly encourage you to participate in these webinars, conferences, and quarterly conference calls. An agenda with call-in information and instructions will be provided prior to each of these events.

Thank you for your participation in the FY 2013 Section 811 PRA program and we look forward to establishing and strengthening a partnership with you. If you have any questions, please contact Katina Washington, Program Analyst, at (202) 402-2651 or Katina.X.Washington@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

Nancie-Ann Bodell

Acting Director

Office of Asset Management and Portfolio Oversight