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- 1. Question:** I am trying to complete Exhibit A1 Rural Designation for the unincorporated portion of the County. In the instructions, it asks about your county and census tracts where the program will operate (not shared with cities if you are a county). We have many shared tracts that have an unincorporated portion and a city portion within the same tract. Do the instructions mean not to include those or not to include the city tracts if there is no unincorporated portion?

Answer: The *Rural Designation* portion of the application is not to focus on where you can serve/operate; it is to determine if you are rural (for point scoring) and for rural determination, you are not to count any census tracts that include incorporated areas.

- 2. Question:** Regarding the FTHB Program, I have a list of homes sold in the last 12 months (at or below the target price). Some of the homes are in the County; do I exclude these homes?

Answer: For HOME FTHB Program, you can only use sales in your local jurisdiction for your market analysis. You cannot use sales in the County.

- 3. Question:** I am trying to watch the HOME Program Activities Workshop Presentation but the link in the email will not open correctly, when I click on PLAY it just goes back to the beginning. Has anyone else had this problem?

Answer: No one else has made us aware of any problem with the video. It may just be the link in the email; I would recommend opening the version on the HCD website at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/nofas.shtml> under current NOFAs/ Home Investment Partnerships Program.

- 4. Question:** We receive three separate (Shelter Plus Care) grants from HUD that offer Tenant Based Rental Assistance for the Chronically Homeless within our City however we are only the pass through entity (Family Services administrators). Would these grants count towards experience points on the HOME application?

Answer: If you are the grantee and administer the grant, then the experience counts towards experience points.

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- 5. Question:** Can you confirm that the loan agreement is sufficient documentation for the HOME affordability period requirement? The application cites, "deed of trust, regulatory agreement, etc." for exhibit A 6.

Answer: Please consult your legal representation to determine whether your documents will meet regulatory requirements. These documents will be submitted to HUD.

- 6. Question:** Is the recapture requirement only applicable to program activities?

Answer: The recapture requirement is applicable to all FTHB program loans and FTHB project loans.