**Comment on grant request open until October 11, 2021**

Bay Mills Indian Community will be submitting a grant request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Public and Indian Housing- Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) – Competitive Grant Program. Eligible purposes for this grant include developing, maintaining, and operating affordable housing in safe and healthy environments on Indian reservations and carry out other affordable housing activities.

Part of the grant requirements involves citizen participation. The project information must be published, and insight from our community members is encouraged. The tribe proposes to construct eight (eight) new additional homes specifically for our elderly population. Funding will be used to increase the number of affordable housing units for IHBG families. This project itself will primarily be eligible to elderly and near-elderly families that are considered low-income.

We are still working to finalize the cost. However, based on the previous build, the Bay Mills Indian Community estimates $2,000,000 for the new construction. The grant award ceiling is $5,000,000, and the award floor is $500,000. If you would like to submit comments regarding this project, please sent them to Tara Parrish, tparrish@baymills.org, by 4 p.m. on October 11, 2021.

Grant comment