What is Section 3?

Section 3 is a provision of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Act of 1968 that helps foster local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement, and individual self-sufficiency. The Section 3 program requires that recipients of certain HUD financial assistance, to the greatest extent feasible, provide job training, employment, and contracting opportunities for low- or very-low income residents in connection with projects and activities in their neighborhoods.

Who are Section 3 residents?

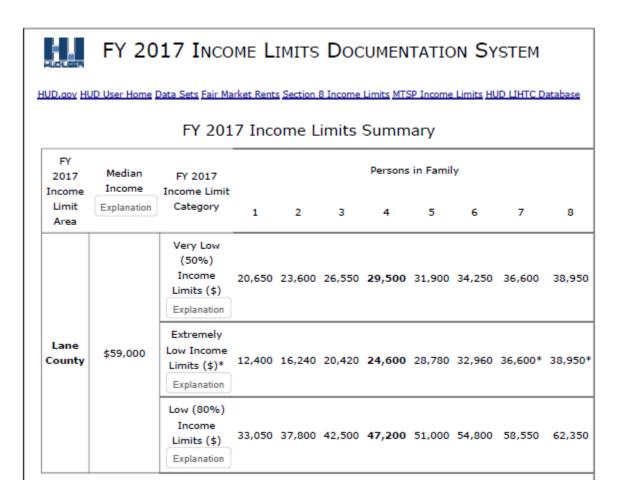
Section 3 residents are:

- Public housing residents or
- Persons who live in the area where a HUD-assisted project is located and who have a household income that falls below <u>HUD's income limits.</u>

Determining Income Levels

- Low income is defined as 80% or below the median income of that area.
- Very low income is defined as 50% or below the median income of that area.

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What is a Section 3 business concern?

A business that:

- Is 51 percent or more owned by Section 3 residents;
- Employs Section 3 residents for at least 30 percent of its full-time, permanent staff; or
- Provides evidence of a commitment to subcontract to Section 3 business concerns, 25 percent or more of the dollar amount of the awarded contract.

What programs are covered?

Section 3 applies to HUD-funded Public and Indian Housing assistance for development, operating, and modernization expenditures.

Section 3 also applies to certain HUD-funded Housing and Community Development projects that complete housing rehabilitation, housing construction, and other public construction.

Examples of

Opportunities include:

- Accounting
- Architecture
- Appliance repair
- Bookkeeping
- Bricklaying
- Carpentry
- Carpet Installation
- Catering
- Cement/Masonry
- Computer/Information Machine Operation Word processing
- Demolition
- Drywall

- Electrical
- Elevator
- Construction
- Engineering
- Fencing
- Florists
- Heating
- Iron Works
- Janitorial
- Landscaping
- Manufacturing

- Marketing
- Painting
- Payroll Photography
- Plastering
- Plumbing
- Printing Purchasing
- Research
- Surveying
- Tile setting
- Transportation

Businesses that meet the definition of a Section 3 business concern receive priority under Section 3.

"Section 3 requirements provide preference but not

a quarantee to Section 3 residents and Section 3

businesses when new jobs, training, or contracting

opportunities are created as a result of HUD funds.

Section 3 residents and businesses are not entitled

to jobs or contracts simply because they meet

the eligibility criteria".

For more information about Section 3 and how it may apply to you, please contact Teresa Hashagen at (541) 682-2562 or via email at thashagen@homesforgood.org