collection, processing and dissemination of program information useful for local and national program management, and provision of seed money. Such technical assistance may be made available directly, or indirectly under contracts and grants, as appropriate. In any fiscal year, no single applicant, potential applicant, or recipient under title III of the United States Housing Act of 1937, or part A or part B of this subchapter may receive technical assistance in an amount exceeding 20 percent of the total amount made available for technical assistance under such title or part for the fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 101–625, title IV, \$402, as added Pub. L. 102–550, title I, \$181(a)(1), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3734; amended Pub. L. 109–281, \$2(d)(3), Sept. 22, 2006, 120 Stat. 1181.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This title, referred to in introductory provisions of subsecs. (a) and (b), is title IV of Pub. L. 101–625, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4148, known as the Homeownership and Opportunity Through HOPE Act, which enacted this subchapter and subchapter II–A (§1437aaa et seq.) of chapter 8 of this title, amended sections 1437c, 1437f, 1437l, 1437p, 1437r, and 1437s of this title and section 1709 of Title 12, Banks and Banking, and enacted provisions set out as notes under sections 1437c, 1437aa, and 1437aaa of this title. For complete classification of title IV to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1437aaa of this title and Tables.

The United States Housing Act of 1937, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1), (b)(1), and (c), is act Sept. 1, 1937, ch. 896, as revised generally by Pub. L. 93–383, title II, §201(a), Aug. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 653. Title III of the Act is classified generally to subchapter II—A (§1437aaa et seq.) of chapter 8 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1437 of this title and Tables.

# AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109–281 struck out the second sentence, which read as follows: "Of the amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection, up to \$40,000,000, but not less than 5 percent, shall be available for activities authorized under part C of this subchapter."

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109–281 struck out the second sentence, which read as follows: "Of the amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection, up to \$41,680,000, but not less than 5 percent, shall be available for activities authorized under part C of this subchapter."

### GAO AUDIT OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONTRACTS

Pub. L. 102–550, title I, §181(a)(3), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3735, provided that: "The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an audit of all of the technical assistance contracts awarded for fiscal years 1993 and 1994 pursuant to section 402 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act [42 U.S.C. 12870]. The Comptroller General shall submit a report to the Congress describing the results of such audit not later than September 30, 1994."

PART A—HOPE FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP OF MULTIFAMILY UNITS

## § 12871. Program authority

## (a) In general

The Secretary is authorized to make-

- (1) planning grants to enable applicants to develop homeownership programs; and
- (2) implementation grants to enable applicants to carry out homeownership programs.

### (b) Authority to reserve housing assistance

In connection with a grant under this part, the Secretary may reserve authority to provide assistance under section 1437f of this title to the extent necessary to provide rental assistance for a nonpurchasing tenant who resides in the project on the date the Secretary approves the application for an implementation grant, for use by the tenant in another project.

(Pub. L. 101-625, title IV, §421, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4162; Pub. L. 102-550, title I, §181(a)(2)(B)(i), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3735.)

#### References in Text

This part, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this subtitle", meaning subtitle B (§§ 421-431) of title IV of Pub. L. 101-625, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4162, which enacted this part and amended section 1709 of Title 12, Banks and Banking.

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102–550 struck out subsec. (c) which read as follows: "AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated for grants under this part \$51,000,000 for fiscal year 1991 and \$280,000,000 for fiscal year 1992. Any amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection shall remain available until expended."

### § 12872. Planning grants

#### (a) Grants

The Secretary is authorized to make planning grants to applicants for the purpose of developing homeownership programs under this part. The amount of a planning grant under this section may not exceed \$200,000, except that the Secretary may for good cause approve a grant in a higher amount.

### (b) Eligible activities

Planning grants may be used for activities to develop homeownership programs (which may include programs for cooperative ownership), including—

- (1) development of resident management corporations and resident councils;
- (2) training and technical assistance of applicants related to the development of a specific homeownership program;
- (3) studies of the feasibility of a homeowner-ship program;
- (4) inspection for lead-based paint hazards, as required by section 4822(a) of this title;
- (5) preliminary architectural and engineering work:
- (6) tenant and homebuyer counseling and training;
- (7) planning for economic development, job training, and self-sufficiency activities that promote economic self-sufficiency for home-buyers and homeowners under the homeownership program:
  - (8) development of security plans; and
- (9) preparation of an application for an implementation grant under this part.

## (c) Application

# (1) Form and procedures

An application for a planning grant shall be submitted by an applicant in such form and in accordance with such procedures as the Secretary shall establish.