composed so as to assure that not fewer than  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the members are persons chosen in accordance with democratic selection procedures adequate to assure that these members—

(A) are representative of low-income individuals and families in the neighborhood served;

(B) reside in the neighborhood served; and (C) are able to participate actively in the development, planning, implementation, and evaluation of programs funded under this chapter; or

(2) another mechanism specified by the State to assure decisionmaking and participation by low-income individuals in the development, planning, implementation, and evaluation of programs funded under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, §676B, as added Pub. L. 105-285, title II, §201, Oct. 27, 1998, 112 Stat. 2740.)

#### Prior Provisions

Prior sections 9910 and 9910a were omitted in the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 105-285.

Section 9910, Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, §681, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 518; Pub. L. 98-558, title II, §204, Oct. 30, 1984, 98 Stat. 2886; Pub. L. 99-425, title IV, §405(a), (b), Sept. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 969, 970; Pub. L. 101-501, title IV, §§405, 407(b), Nov. 3, 1990, 104 Stat. 1252, 1255; Pub. L. 103-171, §7(a), Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1993; Pub. L. 103-252, title II, §203, May 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 654, related to the discretionary authority of the Secretary.

Section 9910a, Pub. L. 97–35, title VI, §681A, as added Pub. L. 98–558, title II, §206, Oct. 30, 1984, 98 Stat. 2886; amended Pub. L. 99–425, title IV, §406, Sept. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 970; Pub. L. 101–501, title IV, §401(b), 406, Nov. 3, 1990, 104 Stat. 1251, 1253; Pub. L. 103–171, §7(c)(4), Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1994; Pub. L. 103–252, title II, §204, May 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 655, related to community food and nutrition.

A prior section 9910b, Pub. L. 99-425, title IV, §408, Sept. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 972, as amended, which related to demonstration partnership agreements addressing needs of poor, was transferred to section 9925 of this title.

A prior section 9910c, Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, §682, as added Pub. L. 103-252, title II, §205(2), May 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 655; amended Pub. L. 105-244, title I, §102(a)(13)(I), Oct. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1621, related to national or regional programs designed to provide instructional activities for low-income youth, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 105-285.

A prior section 9910d, Pub. L. 100–485, title V,  $\S505$ , Oct. 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 2404, as amended, which related to demonstration partnership agreements addressing needs of poor, was transferred to section 9926 of this title.

## §9911. Payments to Indian tribes

### (a) Reservation

If, with respect to any State, the Secretary— (1) receives a request from the governing body of an Indian tribe or tribal organization within the State that assistance under this chapter be made directly to such tribe or organization; and

(2) determines that the members of such tribe or tribal organization would be better served by means of grants made directly to provide benefits under this chapter,

the Secretary shall reserve from amounts that would otherwise be allotted to such State under section 9906 of this title for the fiscal year the amount determined under subsection (b).

### (b) Determination of reserved amount

The Secretary shall reserve for the purpose of subsection (a) from amounts that would otherwise be allotted to such State, not less than 100 percent of an amount that bears the same ratio to the State allotment for the fiscal year involved as the population of all eligible Indians for whom a determination has been made under subsection (a) bears to the population of all individuals eligible for assistance through a community services block grant made under this chapter in such State.

# (c) Awards

The sums reserved by the Secretary on the basis of a determination made under subsection (a) shall be made available by grant to the Indian tribe or tribal organization serving the individuals for whom such a determination has been made.

# (d) Plan

In order for an Indian tribe or tribal organization to be eligible for a grant award for a fiscal year under this section, the tribe or organization shall submit to the Secretary a plan for such fiscal year that meets such criteria as the Secretary may prescribe by regulation.

## (e) **Definitions**

In this section:

## (1) Indian tribe; tribal organization

The terms "Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" mean a tribe, band, or other organized group recognized in the State in which the tribe, band, or group resides, or considered by the Secretary of the Interior, to be an Indian tribe or an Indian organization for any purpose.

### (2) Indian

The term "Indian" means a member of an Indian tribe or of a tribal organization.

(Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, §677, as added Pub. L. 105-285, title II, §201, Oct. 27, 1998, 112 Stat. 2741.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 9911, Pub. L. 97–35, title VI, §683, formerly §682, as added Pub. L. 101–501, title IV, §407(a), Nov. 3, 1990, 104 Stat. 1254; amended Pub. L. 103–171, §7(b), Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1993; renumbered §683, Pub. L. 103–252, title II, §205(1), May 18, 1994, 108 Stat. 655, related to annual reports by Secretary, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 105–285.

Another prior section 9911, Pub. L. 97-35, title VI, §682, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 518; Pub. L. 97-115, §17(c), Dec. 29, 1981, 95 Stat. 1609; Pub. L. 97-274, Sept. 30, 1982, 96 Stat. 1183, related to transition provisions, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101-501, §407(a).

A prior section 677 of Pub. L. 97-35 was classified to section 9906 of this title, prior to the general amendment of this chapter by Pub. L. 105-285.

### § 9912. Office of Community Services

### (a) Office

The Secretary shall carry out the functions of this chapter through an Office of Community Services, which shall be established in the Department of Health and Human Services. The Office shall be headed by a Director.