
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF DISCLOSURE

In accordance with the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) regulations anyone receiving assistance under NAHASDA and who participates in the decision-making process or who gains inside information with regard to NAHASDA assisted activities and benefits from such activities, must make a disclosure to the public and to HUD.

On June 6, 2017, Richard Arthur was awarded assistance under the Starter Home Program from the Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority of Lapwai, Idaho. Richard Arthur's application was evaluated and it was determined that he is eligible for the program. This program is a five-year lease with option to purchase and only applies to available homeownership units the NPTHA built before 1998. Eligible applicants will earn credits during the lease phase to buy down the purchase price. Only Nez Perce families who can complete the mortgage process within five years are eligible. Richard Arthur meets the income criteria and selection was based on submission of all the required documentation which was processed and verified to be true and accurate by NPTHA staff. Richard Arthur has no debt to the NPTHA, and would have been eligible for this assistance regardless of his present position as a NPTHA Board of Commissioner. Consequently, his role as a participant in the program does not present a conflict of interest.

According to the HUD NAHASDA regulations, the conflict of interest provision does not apply in instances where a person who might otherwise be included under the conflict provision is selected in accordance with the recipient's written policies for eligibility, admission and occupancy of families for housing assistance with NAHASDA funds. Additionally, there is no conflict of interest under applicable tribal law.

A copy of this public disclosure will be provided to the HUD Area office prior to providing any financial assistance. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the NPTHA office at 208-843-2229.

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