

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment; Comment Request for Form 1098**

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning mortgage interest and reporting requirements for recipients of points paid on residential mortgages (Form 1098, *Mortgage Interest Statement*).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 15, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Andrés Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or by email to pra.comments@irs.gov. Please include, "OMB Number: 1545-1380—Public Comment Request Notice" in the Subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Ronald J. Durbala, at (202) 317-5746, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reporting Requirements for Recipients of Points Paid on Residential Mortgages and Mortgage Interest Statement.

OMB Number: 1545-1380.

Form Number: Form 1098.

Regulation Project Number: TD 8191 as amended by TD 8507, TD 8571, TD 8734, and TD 9849.

Abstract: Section 6050H provides that an information return must be made by any person who is engaged in a trade or business and who, during that trade or business, receives from any individual \$600 or more of interest on any mortgage in a calendar year. Any person required to make an information return under section 6050H also must furnish a statement to the payor of record on or before January 31 of the year following

the calendar year in which the interest was received. Form 1098, *Mortgage Interest Statement*, is used to report mortgage interest (including points) received during the year.

Current Actions: There is an increase in the estimated number of respondents previously approved by OMB. IRS has increased the number of respondents by 16,708,000 based on the projected number of filers from IRS Publication 6961. This update to the agency estimate has increased the burden by 4,187,000 hours.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 97,358,960.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 25 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,318,656.

The following paragraph applies to all the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number.

Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained if their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Desired Focus of Comments: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., by permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or

included in the ICR for OMB approval of the extension of the information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Approved: March 9, 2023.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; New Markets Tax Credit Program Community Development Entity (CDE) Certification Application**

AGENCY: Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI Fund), U.S. Department of the Treasury, is soliciting comments concerning the New Markets Tax Credit Program (NMTCP) Community Development Entity (CDE) Certification Application as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before May 15, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments via email to Michelle Dickens, Office of Certification, Policy and Evaluation (OCPE) Program Manager, CDFI Fund, at ccme@cdfi.treas.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Dickens, OCPE Program Manager, CDFI Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20220 or (202) 653-0335 (not a toll free number). Other information regarding the CDFI Fund and its programs may be obtained through the CDFI Fund's website at <http://www.cdfifund.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: New Markets Tax Credit Program Community Development Entity (CDE) Certification Application.

OMB Control Number: 1559-0014.

Abstract: Title I, subtitle C, section 121 of the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000 (the Act), as enacted in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001 (Pub. L. 106-554, December 21, 2000), amended the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) by adding IRC 45D and created the NMTCP Program. The Department of the Treasury, through the