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## Secretary Marcia L. Fudge Convenes First-Ever U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Meeting

WASHINGTON - U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Marcia L. Fudge hosted HUD's first-ever Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (TIAC) meeting at the Robert C. Weaver Federal Building. The two-day convening included Tribal leaders from across the continental United States and Alaska that make up the HUD Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee. The meeting focused on Nation-to-Nation relationships with Tribal governments, Tribal Sovereignty, housing needs and challenges in Indian Country, and funding for Tribal housing and community development programs.

"The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's inaugural Tribal Advisory
Committee is a result of the Biden-Harris Administration's commitment to strengthening
Nation-to-Nation relationships, especially during a critical time for Tribal Nations," said HUD
Secretary Marcia L. Fudge. "It is important that Tribes help shape the policies and rules that
impact their members and communities. HUD is fully committed to not just championing
solutions on the federal level, but supporting our Tribal leaders as they pursue their own efforts."

"I am pleased to join Tribal leaders from across the country for HUD's first ever Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee meeting to discuss critical issues that impact so many Tribal members and communities," said **TIAC Co-Chair Jacqueline Pata, First Vice President, Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska**. "We focused on key areas as tribes and reinterred the purpose of self-determination in Tribal housing programs across Indian Country coupled with the needs and challenges a budget that does not reflect those needs. We appreciate Secretary Fudge, Deputy Secretary Todman, and HUD's efforts to build engaging relationships while discussing our issues with policymakers."



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