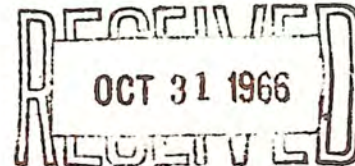


THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410



Dear Public Official:

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The Department of Housing and Urban Development wishes to announce the initiation of an annual Awards Program for outstanding contributions to intergovernmental relations in the field of urban development. This 1966 Intergovernmental Awards Program will recognize superior, cooperative achievements between local governments and actions to improve State-local relations which further the national objective of helping to improve the living environment of our citizens.

This invitation to participate in the competition is being distributed by the Department in cooperation with the following organizations:

The National League of Cities  
The United States Conference of Mayors  
The National Association of Counties  
The International City Managers' Association  
The National School Boards Association  
The American Association of School Administrators  
The Council of State Governments

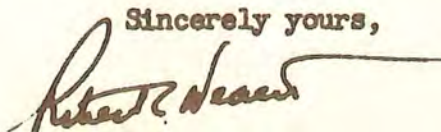
Awards for the First Annual Competition will be made at the National League of Cities' Annual Congress, December 6, 1966, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Submissions to this competition are invited. The deadline is November 18, 1966. Applications should be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1626 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20410.

Activities which have been initiated since January, 1965 are eligible for this year's competition. More specific information on eligible participants and criteria for making awards is enclosed. Submission statements should be limited to two pages; supporting documents will be accepted as enclosures.

Please accept this invitation to submit your recommendations for these awards. We are eager to recognize and encourage those outstanding contributions to intergovernmental relations which increase our ability to meet urban needs.

Sincerely yours,



Robert C. Weaver