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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Issues Notice on Demo/Dispo Application Processing Requirements

Yesterday HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) issued [Notice PIH 2021-07](#) to explain the application processing requirements for the demolition or disposition of public housing and to describe the procedure for requesting tenant protection vouchers (TPVs). The 15-page notice replaces [Notice PIH 2018-04](#).

Today's notice begins by describing the statutory foundation for the application processing requirements:

PHAs may submit an application to demolish, dispose or both demolish-and dispose of public housing to HUD's Special Applications Center (SAC application) under Section 18 of the 1937 act and [24 CFR Part 970](#) for HUD approval. Section 18 of the 1937 act requires PHAs to include and authorize proposed demolitions or dispositions in their PHA plan and to certify that the actions contemplated in the PHA plan comply with Section 18 of the 1937 act. Furthermore, pursuant to [24 CFR 970.17](#), PHAs applying for disposition must certify that retention of the property is not in the best interests of the residents or the PHA. This includes proposed dispositions that are justified for reasons that are in the best interests of the public housing residents and are consistent with the goals of the PHA and its PHA plan and that it is otherwise consistent with the 1937 act.

Some of the changes and additions from the previous notice are as follows:

- Processing (Part 2A): HUD's Special Applications Center (SAC) only reviews complete applications for demolition and disposition (SAC applications). Previously, if a PHA submitted a SAC application that was incomplete or deficient, SAC returned the SAC application to the PHA and informed about the deficiencies.
- Resident Consultation (Part 2D): The notice clarifies that PHAs must ensure that communications and materials are accessible to individuals with disabilities and take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP).
- Amendments (Part 2H): Use of proceeds is no longer included in material terms of the SAC application. Therefore, if after receiving HUD approval, a PHA's plan changes on the use of proceeds, the PHA does not have to request an amendment to the application.
- The notice adds a RAD/Section 18 Blends segment in part 3 of the document.
- Minor changes like spacing, renumbering, and refining headings were made to the new notice.

The notice describes the requirements associated with the following aspects of the demolition/disposition application process:

- PHA plan requirements
- Resident consultation
- HUD civil rights review
- Environmental reviews
- Existing financial transactions
- Eligibility and application process for TPVs
- SAC application processing
- Disposition justification criteria
- Section 3 compliance
- Use restrictions
- Use of disposition proceeds
- HUD approval

HUD Awards \$4.4 Million to PHAs to Install Carbon Monoxide Detectors

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has awarded an additional \$4.4 million to 58 PHAs for the purchase and installation of carbon monoxide (CO) detectors in public housing units where they are necessary. The funding, provided under the [Capital Fund Emergency Safety and Security Grant](#) program, is in addition to the \$5 million already awarded to 59 PHAs for carbon monoxide detectors in March 2020.

As you recall, through Notice [PIH 2019-22](#), issued on August 2019, HUD incorporated the threat of carbon monoxide poisoning as a potential emergency safety need for public housing residents and included costs for the purchase, repair, replacement, and installation of carbon monoxide detectors as eligible activities for emergency safety and security grant funding.

You can see a complete list of the grantees and the amounts they were awarded at the bottom of the [press release](#).

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Publishes 2020 FYI Competitive NOFA

Yesterday on [Grants.gov](#), HUD [published](#) the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the FY 2020 Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Competitive, which makes Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance available to PHAs in partnership with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs). FYI Competitive utilizes funding appropriated to serve youth under the Family Unification Program (FUP).

Under FYI Competitive, PHAs provide housing assistance on behalf of youths at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age who left foster care or will leave foster care within 90 days and are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older. Funding of approximately \$20 million is available through this NOFA.

The application deadline date is **March 22, 2021**. You'll find materials related to the NOFA on [this page](#) at HUD's [Funding Opportunities](#) website and on [this page](#) at the [Grants.gov website](#).



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