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PH PROGRAM NEWS

OCI Updates Faircloth Limits

HUD's Office of Capital Improvements (OCI) has posted an <u>updated list</u> of the Faircloth limits for all PHAs in the country. The limits represent the maximum number of public housing units eligible for capital and operating subsidy as of September 30, 2021. PHAs are responsible for reviewing the list and notifying HUD if they believe their posted Faircloth limit is not accurate. To notify HUD of a possible error, PHAs should send an email to <u>PIHOCI@hud.gov</u> with "Faircloth Limit Correction for..." and the PHA code in the subject line. The deadline for sending an email identifying a potential error is **November 15, 2021**. According to the webpage, Faircloth limits may impact FY 2022 capital fund formula amounts, so PHAs should review their posted Faircloth limits carefully and report any concerns by the deadline. You'll find a link to the updated list on <u>OCI's home page</u>.

OCI Announces EPIC System Release 6.0 is Live

On the Energy Performance and Information Center (<u>EPIC</u>) webpage, OCI announced that the EPIC system release 6.0 is live as of September 2021. According to the webpage, there have been significant enhancements in EPIC over the course of the last year, including new and improved functionality for the activity planning module. Release 5.0 allowed field offices and PHAs to manage their own users. Release 6.0 allows PHAs to upload their annual capital fund submission, including signed annual contribution contracts (ACCs) and other required documents. Additional guidance is forthcoming and will be posted on the <u>EPIC webpage</u>.

GENERAL NEWS

PD&R Posts List of Areas that Will Continue to Use FY 2021 FMRs

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) has posted on its FMR webpage a <u>list of areas</u> in which fiscal year (FY) 2021 fair market rents (FMRs) will remain in effect. HUD described the methodology for PHAs and other interested parties to request reevaluation of the FY 2022 FMRs in the August 6 FMR <u>notice</u>. Valid reevaluation requests postpone the FY 2022 FMRs from going into effect. Click <u>here</u> to see the localities that will continue to use 2021 FMRs until reevaluations have occurred.



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