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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Revises Application Process for the Small-Rural Frozen Rolling Base Program

Yesterday HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) issued [Notice PIH 2021-30](#), which revises [Notice PIH 2020-30](#) and establishes an updated and simplified procedure for electing to participate in the Small Rural-Frozen Rolling Base (SR-FRB) program.

For Calendar Year (CY) 2021, the SR-FRB program participation election deadline was June 30, 2021, and the deadline for submitting SR-FRB related revisions to Form HUD-52722 and associated Form HUD-52723 was August 27, 2021. For funding year 2022, SR-FRB elections/changes requests must be made no later than December 6, 2021. Such requests include making an initial election, adding a utility, removing a project, removing units from inventory, change in resident responsibility, and changing heating fuel source.

Elections and changes will once again be made through the [operating fund web portal](#) using the SR-FRB submodule. HUD will notify PHAs eligible to participate in the SR-FRB via email when the SR-FRB module is open and available to PHAs to make elections and will provide appropriate user guidance. After PHAs elect to participate in the SR-FRB, HUD will deploy Form HUD-52722 containing the SR-FRB. This will take place as part of the initial deployment of the tools by HUD and submission by PHAs. After an election is made, the SR-FRB will be included in the PHA’s current year operating fund (OpFund) subsidy. HUD will provide appropriate guidance regarding the submission of Form HUD-52722 and associated Form HUD-52723 to PHAs that elect to participate in the SR-FRB.

For CY 2023 and subsequent years, the deadline for new elections and change requests will be published in the annual operating subsidy processing notice and the PHA OpFund schedule calendar. As was done in CY 2021, for CY 2022 the list of PHAs that are eligible to participate has been deployed in the OpFund web portal Energy Incentives Module. Only those PHAs eligible to participate in the SR-FRB are able to make an election.

CY 2022 will be the first year PHAs that elected to participate in the program in CY 2021 will be able to remove a project. PHAs that elect to participate in the SR-FRB in the current CY are unable to remove a project until the following CY.

RAD PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Posts RAD Data Dashboard

Yesterday via RADBlast!, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has released an expanded RAD data dashboard on the [RAD Resource Desk](#). This data dashboard provides live, up-to-the-minute analytics on the RAD program, including running tallies of units converted, construction investment, leverage ratios, and state fact sheets. The data serves as a useful complement to the library of [case studies](#) of how RAD has impacted residents and communities.

Other topics covered in the RADBlast! include the first transaction using the new [Faircloth-to-RAD](#) pathway, which has begun construction in Galveston, TX, and improved processes and new tools for PHAs and owners to help document fair housing, environmental, and other considerations through the RAD process.

Yesterday’s RADBlast! has been [posted](#) online on [this page](#) at HUD’s website. Click [here](#) to join the RADBlast! mailing list.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Awards More than \$5.3 Million in Disaster Funding to a City in Louisiana

In a [press release](#) yesterday, HUD announced that it has awarded more than \$5.3 million to Lake Charles, Louisiana, to assist in the city’s recovery from Hurricanes Laura and Delta occurred in August and October 2020. The new Community Development Block Grant Declared Disaster Recovery Fund (DDR) money will help Lake Charles communities rebuild and become more resilient to future disasters.

According to the announcement, this double strike has impaired the ability of Lake Charles residents to recover, especially those low and moderate-income individuals and families most impacted by the hurricanes. HUD’s analysis of FEMA registrant data shows that over 14,000 homes in Lake Charles received damage due to Hurricane Delta alone, with over 4,000 of these homes still having serious unmet needs.

Early this month, HUD [announced](#) the allocation of more than \$2 billion in additional disaster recovery funds appropriated in the continuing resolution, the Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act ([PL 117-43](#)), signed into law on September 30, 2021. Louisiana was among the ten states that received allocations for 2020 disasters.



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