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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Posts Explanation of January and February Obligations

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) has [posted](#) a [document](#) explaining public housing operating fund obligations for January and February 2022. According to the document, at the beginning of the year, before operating subsidy forms are processed and current year eligibility determined, HUD normally estimates eligibility based upon the data used to prepopulate the operating subsidy tools. January and February obligations are based on the selected elements of final 2021 operating fund eligibility and 2022 HUD-52723 prepopulated data. PHAs are advised that once HUD can utilize HUD-52723 data for eligibility, funding may fluctuate significantly.

As you know, all operating subsidy obligations are cumulative. As such, to the extent that excess amounts were cumulatively obligated to a project previously, its next obligation (and possibly future obligations depending upon the amount of the overfunding) will reflect a relative decrease. To the extent that insufficient amounts were cumulatively obligated to a project previously, its next obligation (and possibly future obligations depending upon the amount of the underfunding) will reflect a relative increase.

For the January and February funding, the Department considered estimate eligibility and the 2021 appropriation amount to set an interim proration level of 95%. The final proration will reflect the difference in the amount of the final approved PHA eligibility and the 2022 Appropriation Act. HUD plans to make this round of funding available through eLOCCS no later than December 3, 2021. The next round of funding is expected to be available in eLOCCS no later than March 1, 2022.

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Publishes New Chapters of HCV Landlord Strategy Guidebook

On the [HCV Landlord Resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has posted the last two chapters of its [HCV Landlord Strategy Guidebook](#). One of the chapters, titled "[Choosing which Strategy is Right for Your PHA](#)," is designed to help PHAs think through which strategies aimed at improving landlord participation might be the best fit for their Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program. The other chapter, titled "[Landlord-Focused Customer Service](#)," focuses on ways that PHAs can improve their HCV program and landlord satisfaction by intentionally focusing on landlord customer service. HUD has also posted the [introduction](#), [entry points into the guidebook](#), and [conclusion](#).

The goal of the HCV Landlord Strategy Guidebook is to share strategies that PHAs can implement to improve landlord participation in the HCV program.

PIH Updates Two-Year Projection Tool and Tool of Tools

On the [Tools](#) page on the Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) website, HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) has posted updated versions of the two-year projection tool ([TYT](#)) and the Tool of Tools ([ToT](#)) for the HCV program. The tools are current as of November 30 and December 1, 2021, respectively. You can access the tools through HUD's Secure Systems.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Awards \$41 Million in HOPWA Competitive Grants

In a [press release](#) yesterday, HUD announced that it will award \$41 million in Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) competitive grants to 20 local governments and nonprofit organizations. The funding will provide communities an opportunity to create and implement new projects that align with initiatives aimed at ending the HIV/AIDS epidemic. The awardees will receive a one-time, non-renewable grant to fund housing assistance and supportive services for eligible beneficiaries, coordination and planning activities, and grants management and administration.

The press release includes a list of the grant recipients and the amounts they were awarded. Click [here](#) for a summary of the grant programs.



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