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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Updates Two-Year Projection Tool

On the [Tools](#) page on the Housing Choice Vouchers ([HCV](#)) website, HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) posted an updated version of the two-year projection tool ([TYT](#)) for the HCV program. The tool is current as of April 12, 2021. You can access the tool and instruction guide through HUD's Secure Systems.

GENERAL NEWS

DOJ Files Sexual Harassment Suit against PA Housing Providers

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the U.S. Department of Justice ([DOJ](#)) announced that it has filed a lawsuit against the husband-and-wife owners and managers of rental properties in Pennsylvania alleging sexual harassment and retaliation in violation of the [Fair Housing Act](#). DOJ's complaint alleges that the husband sexually harassed a female tenant in April 2019 after he entered her home to perform maintenance. According to the complaint, he touched the tenant's body without her consent and forcibly tried to kiss her. The owners evicted the tenant after she reported the harassment to the wife.

The lawsuit arose from a complaint that the former tenant filed with the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)). After HUD investigated the complaint, it issued a charge of discrimination and the matter was referred to the Justice Department. The lawsuit seeks monetary damages to compensate the victim and a court order barring future discrimination. The complaint contains allegations of unlawful conduct, which must be proven in court.

The Fair Housing Act prohibits harassment of tenants and other forms of housing discrimination because of race, sex, color, national origin, disability, religion, and familial status. In October 2017, the DOJ's Civil Rights Division [announced](#) the [Sexual Harassment in Housing Initiative](#). The initiative specifically seeks to increase the Department's efforts to protect individuals from harassment by landlords, property managers, maintenance workers, security guards, and other employees and representatives of rental property owners. Since launching the Initiative, the Department has filed 21 lawsuits alleging sexual harassment in housing.

HUD Posts Moving On Webinar Materials

Last Friday on [HUD Exchange](#), HUD announced that it has posted the materials for the [Moving On Assessment Processes](#) webinar, part of its new series titled "Moving On – Spring 2021." The series of seven webinars introduces participants to the tools and resources they need to develop and implement Moving On strategies and programs that help tenants who wish to move on from supportive housing.

As stated on the [Moving On](#) webpage, as part of its strategic priority to end homelessness, HUD encourages communities to explore Moving On strategies for clients in permanent supportive housing (PSH) who may no longer need or want the intensive services offered but continue to need rental assistance to maintain their housing.

More information on the series can be found [here](#) at HUD Exchange.



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