## Public Housing Agency Plan: What's in the Annual PHA Plan?



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- 1. **Housing Needs** of extremely low, very low, and low income families, elderly families, disabled families, and those on public housing and Section 8 waiting lists.
- 2. **Tenant Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies** as well as waiting list procedures, admissions preferences, unit assignment policies, and race and income deconcentration policies.
- 3. **Financial Resources** and planned uses of these resources for the upcoming year listed in categories such as operating funds, capital funds, other federal funds, and non-federal funds.
- 4. **Rent Determination** including rent policies for tenants, and for landlords receiving vouchers.
- 5. **Operations and Management** of facilities, including PHA programs, their organization, and policies governing maintenance (including those policies regarding pest infestation).
- 6. **Grievance Procedures** for residents and applicants.
- 7. **Capital Improvement Needs** and planned actions for the long-term physical and social health of public housing developments. Should include plans and costs for the upcoming year and a 5-Year Plan.
- 8. **Demolition and Disposition Plans** that the PHA has applied for, or will apply for, including timetables.
- 9. Designation of Public Housing for Elderly or Disabled identified.

- 10. Conversion of Public Housing to tenant-based vouchers as specified in Section 33 or Section 22.
- 11. **Homeownership Programs** described, such as Section 8(y) or Section 5(h).
- 12. **Community and Self-Sufficiency Programs** that aim to improve families' economic or social self-sufficiency, including those that will fulfill community service requirements as well as Section 3 jobs efforts.
- 13. **Safety and Crime Prevention** including coordination with police.
- 14. Pets policy.
- 15. **Civil Rights** as reflected in a formal pledge that the PHA will comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 16. **Financial Audit** from the most recent fiscal year.
- 17. **Asset Management** for long-term operating, capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, or sale of the PHA's inventory.
- 18. **Domestic Violence** activities, services, or programs that prevent or serve victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking as added by the Violence Against Women Act of 2005.
- 19. Additional Information including progress in meeting or deviating from the PHA's mission and goals as listed in the 5-Year Plan. ■