Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan and Related Regulations (Small PHAs)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing
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PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairperson or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioners, I approve the submission of the____ 5-Year and/or_X Annual PHA Plan, hereinafter referred to as" the Plan", of which this document is a part, and make the following certification and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the PHA fiscal year beginning ____01/2023______ in which the PHA receives assistance under 42 U.S.C. 1437f and/or 1437g in connection with the submission of the Plan and implementation thereof:

- 1. The Plan is consistent with the applicable comprehensive housing affordability strategy (or any plan incorporating such strategy) for the jurisdiction in which the PHA is located (24 CFR § 91.2).
- 2. The Plan contains a certification by the appropriate State or local officials that the Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan, which includes a certification that requires the preparation of an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) or Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) as applicable, for the PHA's jurisdiction and a description of the manner in which the PHA Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan (24 CFR §§ 91.2, 91.225, 91.325, and 91.425).
- 3. The PHA has established a Resident Advisory Board or Boards, the membership of which represents the residents assisted by the PHA, consulted with this Board or Boards in developing the Plan, and considered the recommendations of the Board or Boards (24 CFR § 903.13). The PHA has included in the Plan submission a copy of the recommendations made by the Resident Advisory Board or Boards and a description of the manner in which the Plan addresses these recommendations.
- 4. The PHA certifies that the following policies, programs, and plan components have been revised since submission of its last

Annual PHA Plan (check all policies, programs, and components that have been changed):

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x 903.7a	Housing Needs
903.7b	Deconcentration and Other Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, Occupancy, and Admissions
Policies	
903.7c	Financial Resources
903.7d	Rent Determination Policies
903.7h	Demolition and Disposition
903.7k	Homeownership Programs
903.7r	Additional Information
	A. Progress in meeting 5-year mission and goals
	B. Criteria for substantial deviation and significant amendments
	C. Other information requested by HUD
	1. Resident Advisory Board consultation process
	2. Membership of Resident Advisory Board
	3. Resident membership on PHA governing board

The PHA provides assurance as part of this certification that:

- (i) The Resident Advisory Board had an opportunity to review and comment on the changes to the policies and programs before implementation by the PHA;
- (ii) The changes were duly approved by the PHA Board of Directors (or similar governing body); and
- (iii) The revised policies and programs are available for review and inspection, at the principal office of the PHA during normal business hours.
- 5. The PHA made the proposed Plan and all information relevant to the public hearing available for public inspection at least 45 days before the hearing, published a notice that a hearing would be held and conducted a hearing to discuss the Plan and invited public comment.
- 6. The PHA certifies that it will carry out the public housing program of the agency in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-2000d—4), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), Section 504 of

- the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.), and other applicable civil rights requirements and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program. In addition, if it administers a Housing Choice Voucher Program, the PHA certifies that it will administer the program in conformity with the Fair Housing Act, title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable civil rights requirements, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program.
- 7. The PHA will affirmatively further fair housing, which means that it will take meaningful actions to further the goals identified in the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) conducted in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR § 5.150 through 5.180, that it will take no action that is materially inconsistent with its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing, and that it will address fair housing issues and contributing factors in its programs, in accordance with 24 CFR § 903.7(o)(3). The PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) and 24 CFR § 903.15(d). Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) promulgated prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; and maintains records reflecting these analyses and actions.
- 8. For a PHA Plan that includes a policy for site-based waiting lists:
 - The PHA regularly submits required data to HUD's 50058 PIC/IMS Module in an accurate, complete and timely manner (as specified in PIH Notice 2010-25);
 - The system of site-based waiting lists provides for full disclosure to each applicant in the selection of the development in which to reside, including basic information about available sites; and an estimate of the period of time the applicant would likely have to wait to be admitted to units of different sizes and types at each site;
 - Adoption of site-based waiting lists would not violate any court order or settlement agreement or be inconsistent with a pending complaint brought by HUD;
 - The PHA shall take reasonable measures to assure that such waiting list is consistent with affirmatively furthering fair housing; and
 - The PHA provides for review of its site-based waiting list policy to determine if it is consistent with civil rights laws and certifications, as specified in 24 CFR 903.7(c)(1).
- 9. The PHA will comply with the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age pursuant to the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.
- 10. In accordance with 24 CFR § 5.105(a)(2), HUD's Equal Access Rule, the PHA will not make a determination of eligibility for housing based on sexual orientation, gender identify, or marital status and will make no inquiries concerning the gender identification or sexual orientation of an applicant for or occupant of HUD-assisted housing.
- 11. The PHA will comply with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 and 24 CFR Part 41, Policies and Procedures for the Enforcement of Standards and Requirements for Accessibility by the Physically Handicapped.
- 12. The PHA will comply with the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Employment Opportunities for Low-or Very-Low Income Persons, and with its implementing regulation at 24 CFR Part 135.
- 13. The PHA will comply with acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24 as applicable.
- 14. The PHA will take appropriate affirmative action to award contracts to minority and women's business enterprises under 24 CFR 5.105(a).
- 15. The PHA will provide the responsible entity or HUD any documentation that the responsible entity or HUD needs to carry out its review under the National Environmental Policy Act and other related authorities in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58 or Part 50, respectively.
- 16. With respect to public housing the PHA will comply with Davis-Bacon or HUD determined wage rate requirements under Section 12 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.
- 17. The PHA will keep records in accordance with 24 CFR 85.20 and facilitate an effective audit to determine compliance with program requirements.

- 18. The PHA will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, and 24 CFR Part 35.
- 19. The PHA will comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Assistance, including but not limited to submitting the assurances required under 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.50, and 107.25 by submitting an SF-424, including the required assurances in SF-424B or D, as applicable.
- 20. The PHA will undertake only activities and programs covered by the Plan in a manner consistent with its Plan and will utilize covered grant funds only for activities that are approvable under the regulations and included in its Plan
- 21. All attachments to the Plan have been and will continue to be available at all times and all locations that the PHA Plan is available for public inspection. All required supporting documents have been made available for public inspection along with the Plan and additional requirements at the primary business office of the PHA and at all other times and locations identified by the PHA in its PHA Plan and will continue to be made available at least at the primary business office of the PHA.
- 22. The PHA certifies that it is in compliance with applicable Federal statutory and regulatory requirements, including the Declaration of Trust(s).

Texas Dept. Housing and Community and Af	Efairs	901/TX PHA Number/HA Code	
5-Year PHA Plan for Fiscal Years 20 2	20	Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Yea	ır 20 _23 _
I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, is true and accurate. Warning: HUD will prosecute civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.	false claims	s and statements. Conviction may result in	
Name of Executive Director: Bobby W. Wilkinson		Name of Board Chairman: Leo Vasquez	
Signature	Date	Signature	Date

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to solicit the information requested in this form by virtue of Title 12, U.S. Code, Section 1701 et seq., and regulations promulgated thereunder at Title 12, Code of Federal Regulations. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality. This information is collected to ensure compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and related laws and regulations including PHA plan elements that have changed.

Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 0.16 hours per year per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not collect this information, and respondents are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

BOARD ACTION REQUEST

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION

OCTOBER 13, 2022

Presentation, discussion, and possible action on the Section 8 Program 2023 Streamlined Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the Department) Department operates as a PHA; and

WHEREAS, 42 U.S.C §1437(c-1) (a) and (b) requires PHAs to submit an annual PHA Plan that has been made available for public comment;

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Department's 2023 Annual PHA Plan is hereby approved in the form presented to this meeting to be made available for public comment and allows the Department to identify Project Access as a preference;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that if there are not substantive public comments received requiring reconsideration of the plan, staff is authorized and directed to file the plan as final with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) with no further Board review; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that if there are material public comments, staff is directed to bring the plan, with such comments and any recommended revisions, back to this Board for reconsideration.

BACKGROUND

Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 created the requirement for submission of PHA plans. The PHA Plan is a brief guide to PHA policies, programs, and strategies for meeting local housing needs and goals for the upcoming fiscal year. The Annual Plan, which is prepared and submitted to HUD every year, provides information about the program operations and services for the upcoming fiscal year.

The 2023 Annual Plan will not be adopting any additional preferences for Project Access or the Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 Program. The Department will continue to focus its efforts expanding supply of affordable units; implementing HUDs revised guidance on inspection of dwelling units for initial inspections, and rent reasonableness.

To ensure public participation, the Department will appoint annually a Resident Advisory Board, which will consist of all tenants with active Section 8 contracts through TDHCA, to review and comment on the proposed 2023 Annual Plan. The Plan will also be available at 221 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701, for review at the

Department's Administrative Office on weekdays between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Austin local time; and the Department's website at: www.tdhca.state.tx.us.

Upon Board approval, the Department will publish a notice 45 days prior to scheduling a public hearing to receive public comment on the Plan. If there are no substantive comments, the Plan will be submitted as approved today to HUD. If substantive comments are received, the Plan will be resubmitted to the Board for final approval.

B.1 Housing Needs.

Based on information provided by the applicable Consolidated Plan, information provided by HUD, and other generally available data, make a reasonable effort to identify the housing needs of the low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families who reside in the jurisdiction served by the PHA, including elderly families, families with disabilities, and households of various races and ethnic groups, and other families who are on the public housing and Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location.

Housing Need Analysis- Section 8

August 2022

When analyzing local housing markets and developing strategies for meeting housing challenges, HUD suggests the consideration of several factors. These factors include how much a household spends on housing costs, the physical condition of housing and whether or not the household is overcrowded.

An excess cost burden is identified when a household pays more than 30 percent of its gross income for housing costs. When so much is spent on housing, other basic household needs may suffer.

The measure of physical inadequacy is the number of units lacking complete kitchen and/ or plumbing facilities. While this is not a complete measures of physical inadequacy, the lack of plumbing and/ or kitchen facilities can serve as a strong indication of one type of housing inadequacy.

Overcrowded housing conditions may occur when a residence accommodates more than one person per each room in the dwelling. Overcrowding may indicate a general lack of affordable housing in a community where households have been forced to share space, either because other housing units are not available or because the units are too expensive.

The following table estimates the number of low-income households with housing needs for the 34 counties that comprise TDHCAs Section 8 service area. The figures are adjusted to 2018 levels based on population growth estimates.

Housing Needs for Section 8	Number
Population	4,242,021
Number of Individuals in Poverty	491,520
Number of Cost Burdened Households	183,596
Number of Overcrowded Households	28,034
Number of Substandard Housing Units	6,420

2013-2020 5-year American Community Survey

The TDHCA waiting list is approximately 874 applications. The waiting list figure is a composite of several statewide jurisdictional waiting lists, as well as the Project Access waiting list.

Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Year 2023 for Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 Program

Progress Report

Expanding supply of affordable units [24 CFR 982.503]

The Department will implement payment standards between 90% and 110%, with higher percentages in areas where market rents were high for the Housing Choice Voucher program for the 34 county jurisdiction. In areas of high demand for rental units, it can be a challenge for voucher holders to find units. Sufficient payment standards will aid in areas where voucher holders have had difficulty in finding acceptable units or affording units in more desirable areas.

In addition, the Department will utilize a payment standard at 120% of the HUD FMR or SAFMR as applicable for Zip codes within our jurisdiction for the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) and Emergency Housing Voucher program (EHV).

Higher Fair Market Rents (FMRs) provide additional choices and opportunities to tenants in highly competitive rental markets. In areas where market rents are higher, poverty levels are lower, schools are better, and there are more opportunities for employment. Ensuring that a household's voucher provides enough assistance to house them is balances with ensuring that the voucher is not oversubsidized.

HUD changed the effective date of the Payment Standard to be effective January 1st of every year, or within three months of the FMR effective date, whichever is earlier. The effective date is applicable both to HUD-required revisions and to discretionary revisions.

B.2 New Activities

The Housing Choice Voucher program funding has provided rental assistance under a supportive housing program for homeless veterans authorized by section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, 42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(19). The HUD-VASH program combines HUD HCV rental assistance for homeless veterans with case management and clinical services provided at VA Medical Centers, Community-Based Outpatient Clinics, or through a designated service provider (DSP) as approved by the VA Secretary (herein referred to generally as VAMC or DSP). Through the HUD-VASH program, HUD and VA increase access to affordable housing for homeless veterans and provide the support necessary to obtain and maintain permanent housing in the community.

In January 2022, the Department was award 10 additional VASH vouchers in coordination with our Veterans Administration Medical Center at Freedom's Path in Kerrville. The Department has 50 total VASH vouchers.

The Department also operates an Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program for persons experiencing homelessness; persons at risk of homelessness; persons fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking; or those who are recently homeless and for who providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or those having high risk of housing instability.

On May 10, 2021, HUD notified the Department of its eligibility for new EHVs and funding. On May 24, 2021, the Department notified HUD that the Department would accept a full allocation of vouchers, plus more that may become available, after which the Department was notified of its revised award of 798 vouchers. The Department will implement these vouchers statewide. The Department

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entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a Continuum of Care (CoC) agency and another entity to make direct referrals to the PHA.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recently awarded approximately 19,700 Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) to Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) across the country. The HCVs are funded by \$200 million appropriated by Congress and signed into law by President Biden in March 2022 as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act. These vouchers can be used to house families from the Departments current waiting lists.

HUD notified eligible PHAs on August 26, 2022. The Department was awarded 20 vouchers. HUD encourages PHAs to adopt local preferences in accordance to HUD regulations and statutes to serve survivors of domestic violence, and individuals and families that are homeless or at risk of homelessness, but adoption of local preferences is not a requirement to receive new vouchers. The program plans to use these vouchers for our Project Access program.

Improve Performance and Processes

The Department will continue to innovate and train new staff and existing staff on the latest housing policy and procedures. In addition to striving to remain a high performer, the Department will seek to ensure that the monthly HAP payments and monthly expenses are at 98% of the Annual Contributions Contract or that 98% of total unit months are leased each year. For the calendar year 2021, the Department has had an overall utilization rate of 99%. Some additional efforts are being made to increase voucher utilization for Near Elderly Disabled (NED), Tenant-Based VASH (T-VASH), and Mainstream (MS5) voucher holders. This year the Department anticipates opening its waiting list and will use new web-based tools to ease household access, and will implement a lottery process to equalize access to the program.

Improve the quality of assisted housing

The Department will continue to improve the quality of the housing assessment by continuing to apply EIV's Income Information and Verification Reports (i.e. Multiple Subsidy Report, Identity Verification Report, Immigration Report, and Income Validation Tool Report). These reports will be monitored and reviewed monthly. If corrections are needed, staff will be required to correct and resubmit for another review.

In addition, as new online trainings are offered staff will be encouraged to sign up for HUD offered trainings to assist with the development and growth of the program.

Improve and continue to build partnership with Centers for Independent Living, Veteran Support Services, Coordinating Centers of Care, and Victim Service Providers

The Department continues to increase the number of leased vouchers utilized with our partnering agencies, which are responsible for referring Project Access, MS5, NED, VASH, and EH voucher holders to the PHA for determining of eligibility for rental assistance.

Increase assisted housing choices

The Department will be continue providing briefings on latest HUD policies and changes annually to voucher holders and property owners. In addition, with the use of the agency housing database, affordable housing websites, and other property unit registries, this will help our voucher holders seek property owners who own and operate decent, safe and affordable housing. The Department also has online portals called Assistance Connect and Waiting List - for applicants and property owners to communicate with staff and transmit documents as needed.

Streamlined Annual PHA Plan (HCV Only PHAs) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing OMB No. 2577-0226 Expires 03/31/2024

Purpose. The 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans provide a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, including changes to these policies, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA's mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families

Applicability. The Form HUD-50075-HCV is to be completed annually by **HCV-Only PHAs**. PHAs that meet the definition of a Standard PHA, Troubled PHA, High Performer PHA, Small PHA, or Qualified PHA do not need to submit this form. Where applicable, separate Annual PHA Plan forms are available for each of these types of PHAs.

Definitions.

- (1) *High-Performer PHA* A PHA that owns or manages more than 550 combined public housing units and housing choice vouchers, and was designated as a high performer on <u>both</u> the most recent Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) and Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) assessments if administering both programs, or PHAS if only administering public housing.
- (2) Small PHA A PHA that is not designated as PHAS or SEMAP troubled, that owns or manages less than 250 public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550.
- (3) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Only PHA A PHA that administers more than 550 HCVs, was not designated as troubled in its most recent SEMAP assessment and does not own or manage public housing.
- (4) Standard PHA A PHA that owns or manages 250 or more public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550, and that was designated as a standard performer in the most recent PHAS and SEMAP assessments.
- (5) Troubled PHA A PHA that achieves an overall PHAS or SEMAP score of less than 60 percent.
- (6) Oualified PHA A PHA with 550 or fewer public housing dwelling units and/or housing choice vouchers combined and is not PHAS or SEMAP troubled.

Α.	PHA Information.				
A.1	PHA Name: Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs PHA Code: TX901 PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): 01/01/2023 PHA Inventory (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above) Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) 2,509 PHA Plan Submission Type: Annual Submission Revised Annual Submission Availability of Information. In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information of the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official website.				
	PHA Consortia: (Check be Participating PHAs Lead HA:	PHA Code	a joint Plan and complete table bel Program(s) in the Consortia	ow) Program(s) not in the Consortia	No. of Units in Each Program

В.	Plan Elements.
B.1	Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.
	a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?
	Y N ☐ Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. ☐ Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. ☐ Financial Resources. ☐ Rent Determination. ☐ Operation and Management. ☐ Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. ☐ Homeownership Programs. ☐ Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements.
	□ Substantial Deviation. □ Significant Amendment/Modification.
	(b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s):
	HCV/ Section 8 Administrative Plan chapter 19 Emergency Housing Voucher program added.
B.2	New Activities. – See attachment B2
B.3	Progress Report.
	Provide a description of the PHA's progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan.
B.4	Capital Improvements. – Not Applicable
B.5	Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.
	(a) Were there any findings in the most recent FY Audit?
	Y N N/A □ □ ⊠
	(b) If yes, please describe:
C.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.
C.1	Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.
	(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the PHA Plan? Public hearing was held January 26, 2023. There were no comments □ □ □ received.
	(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.
C.2	Certification by State or Local Officials.
	Form HUD 50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.
C.3	Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan.
	Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.
C.4	Challenged Elements. If any element of the PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public. (a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan? Y N If yes, include Challenged Elements.

Provide a statement of the PHA's strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals nousing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA	
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Fair Housing Goal:	
Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal	
The Department celebrated Fair Housing Month in April with a Board Proclamation housing webinars. The webinar series discussed topics that consisted of Fair Hous Animals, Reasonable Accommodations and Modifications, and Violence Against W. Housing	ing, Assistance
As an entity that receives HUD funding, the Department is committed to meeting H expand fair housing choice and opportunities in the State of Texas.	UD requirements
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Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-HCV Annual PHA Plan for HCV-Only PHAs

- A. PHA Information. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.4)
 - A.1 Include the full PHA Name, PHA Code, PHA Type, PHA Fiscal Year Beginning (MM/YYYY), Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs), PHA Plan Submission Type, and the Availability of Information, specific location(s) of all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan.

PHA Consortia: Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete the table. (24 CFR §943.128(a))

- **B.** Plan Elements. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3))
 - **B.1 Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.** PHAs must:

Identify specifically which plan elements listed below that have been revised by the PHA. To specify which elements have been revised, mark the "yes" box. If an element has not been revised, mark "no."

Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. Provide a statement addressing the housing needs of low-income, very low-income and extremely low-income families and a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families who reside in the jurisdiction served by the PHA and other families who are on the Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement must identify the housing needs of (i) families with incomes below 30 percent of area median income (extremely low-income); (ii) elderly families (iii) households with individuals with disabilities, and households of various races and ethnic groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the public housing and Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement of housing needs shall be based on information provided by the applicable Consolidated Plan, information provided by HUD, and generally available data. The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. Once the PHA has submitted an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), which includes an assessment of disproportionate housing needs in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154(d)(2)(iv), information on households with individuals with disabilities and households of various races and ethnic groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the waiting lists no longer needs to be included in the Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. (24 CFR § 903.7(a)).

The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(i)) Provide a description of the ways in which the PHA intends, to the maximum extent practicable, to address those housing needs in the upcoming year and the PHA's reasons for choosing its strategy. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(ii))

the PHA's reasons for choosing its strategy. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(ii))
Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. A statement of the PHA's policies that govern resident or tenant eligibility, selection and admission including admission preferences for HCV. (24 CFR §903.7(b))
Financial Resources. A statement of financial resources, including a listing by general categories, of the PHA's anticipated resources, such as PHA HCV funding and other anticipated Federal resources available to the PHA, as well as tenant rents and other income available to support tenant-based assistance. The statement also should include the non-Federal sources of funds supporting each Federal program, and state the planned use for the resources. (24 CFR §903.7(c))
Rent Determination. A statement of the policies of the PHA governing rental contributions of families receiving tenant-based assistance, discretionary minimum tenant rents, and payment standard policies. (24 CFR §903.7(d))
☐ Operation and Management. A statement that includes a description of PHA management organization, and a listing of the programs administered by the PHA. (24 CFR §903.7(e)).
☐ Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. A description of the informal hearing and review procedures that the PHA makes available to its applicants. (24 CFR §903.7(f))
Homeownership Programs. A statement describing any homeownership programs (including project number and unit count) administered by the agency under section 8y of the 1937 Act, or for which the PHA has applied or will apply for approval. (24 CFR §903.7(k))
Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements. A description of any PHA programs relating to services and amenities coordinated, promoted, or provided by the PHA for assisted families, including those resulting from the PHA's partnership with other entities, for the enhancement of the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families, including programs provided or offered as a result of the PHA's partnerships with other entities, and activities subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 (24 CFR Part 135) and under requirements for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program and others. Include the program's size (including required and actual size of the FSS program) and means of allocating assistance to households. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(i)) Describe how the PHA will comply with the requirements of section 12(c) and (d) of the 1937 Act that relate to treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(iii)).
☐ Substantial Deviation. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "substantial deviation" to its 5-Year Plan. (24 CFR §903.7(r)(2)(i))
Significant Amendment/Modification. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "Significant Amendment or Modification" to its 5-Year and Annual Plan

If any boxes are marked "yes", describe the revision(s) to those element(s) in the space provided.

- B.2 New Activities. This section refers to new capital activities which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs.
- **B.3** Progress Report. For all Annual Plans following submission of the first Annual Plan, a PHA must include a brief statement of the PHA's progress in meeting the mission and goals described in the 5-Year PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3), 24 CFR §903.7(r)(1))
- **B.4 Capital Improvements.** This section refers to PHAs that receive funding from the Capital Fund Program (CFP) which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs
- **B.5 Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.** If the results of the most recent fiscal year audit for the PHA included any findings, mark "yes" and describe those findings in the space provided. (24 CFR §903.7(p))

C. Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.

- C.1 Resident Advisory Board (RAB) comments. If the RAB had comments on the annual plan, mark "yes," submit the comments as an attachment to the Plan and describe the analysis of the comments and the PHA's decision made on these recommendations. (24 CFR §903.13(c), 24 CFR §903.19)
- C.2 Certification by State of Local Officials. Form HUD-50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.15). Note: A PHA may request to change its fiscal year to better coordinate its planning with planning done under the Consolidated Plan process by State or local officials as applicable.
- C.3 Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan. Provide a certification that the following plan elements have been revised, provided to the RAB for comment before implementation, approved by the PHA board, and made available for review and inspection by the public. This requirement is satisfied by completing and submitting form HUD-50077 ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed. Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. This includes all certifications relating to Civil Rights and related regulations. A PHA will be considered in compliance with the certification requirement to affirmatively further fair housing if the PHA fulfills the requirements of §§ 903.7(o)(1) and 903.15(d) and: (i) examines its programs or proposed programs; (ii) identifies any fair housing issues and contributing factors within those programs, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154; or 24 CFR 5.160(a)(3) as applicable (iii) specifies actions and strategies designed to address contributing factors, related fair housing issues, and goals in the applicable Assessment of Fair Housing consistent with 24 CFR 5.154 in a reasonable manner in view of the resources available; (iv) works with jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; (v) operates programs in a manner consistent with any applicable consolidated plan under 24 CFR part 91, and with any order or agreement, to comply with the authorities specified in paragraph (o)(1) of this section; (vi) complies with any contribution or consultation requirement with respect to any applicable AFH, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.150 through 5.180; (vii) maintains records reflecting these analyses, actions, and the results of these actions; and (viii) takes steps acceptable to HUD to remedy known fair housing or civil rights violations. impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with the local jurisdiction to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing; and assures that the annual plan is consistent with any applicable Consolidated Plan for its jurisdiction. (24 CFR §903.7(o)).
 - C.4 Challenged Elements. If any element of the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment to the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public.

D. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

D.1 Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. The PHA will use the answer blocks in item D.1 to provide a statement of its strategies and actions to implement each fair housing goal outlined in its accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5) that states, in relevant part: "To implement goals and priorities in an AFH, strategies and actions shall be included in program participants' ... PHA Plans (including any plans incorporated therein) Strategies and actions must affirmatively further fair housing" Use the chart provided to specify each fair housing goal from the PHA's AFH for which the PHA is the responsible program participant – whether the AFH was prepared solely by the PHA, jointly with one or more other PHAs, or in collaboration with a state or local jurisdiction – and specify the fair housing strategies and actions to be implemented by the PHA during the period covered by this PHA Plan. If there are more than three fair housing goals, add answer blocks as necessary.

Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will not have to complete section D., nevertheless, the PHA will address its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing in part by fulfilling the requirements at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(3) enacted prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its own programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; and maintain records reflecting these analyses and actions. Furthermore, under Section 5A(d)(15) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, a PHA must submit a civil rights certification with its Annual PHA Plan, which is described at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(1) except for qualified PHAs who submit the Form HUD-50077-CR as a standalone document.

This information collection is authorized by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, which added a new section 5A to the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, which introduced the Annual PHA Plan. The Annual PHA Plan provides a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families.

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