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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Issues Notice on IMS/PIC Development Submodule Reporting

Late yesterday HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) published Notice [PIH 2024-03](#) titled “Guidance on Inventory Management System/PIH Information Center ([IMS-PIC](#)) Sub-Module Reporting and Validation.” The purpose of the guidance is to ensure that PHAs maintain and submit accurate, timely, and reliable unit designations in the IMS-PIC development submodule. As the document explains, the accuracy of this information is critical because it impacts performance scores and funding levels.

The notice replaces Notice [PIH 2021-35](#). As with the previous notice, yesterday’s notice provides detailed guidance on the unit tenant status categories and subcategories in the IMS/PIC development submodule, with key changes to the following provisions:

- Sub-section 5.4.1c – Non-Assisted Tenant Over-Income: 24 CFR 960.507 establishes new requirements for PHAs to adhere to the requirements of Section 103 of the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA) regarding continued occupancy for Over-Income tenants.
- Sub-Section 5.4.3a – Undergoing Modernization: Adds clarification for correctly categorizing units undergoing modernization.
- Sub-Section 5.4.3d – Natural Disaster: Provides resources and further guidance for disaster-impacted properties regarding disaster readiness and submission waivers.

The notice applies to PHAs administering the public housing program, including PHAs that participate in the Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration. Further details can be found in the [notice](#).

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD to Host SAFMRs Virtual Convening

On the Small Area Fair Market Rents ([SAFMRs](#)) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has announced that it will host a [SAFMRs Virtual Convening](#) on **February 21, 2024**, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

PHAs listed in new mandatory SAFMRs areas are invited to join this convening to learn about SAFMRs, review required policies and procedures, and hear best practices from other PHAs that have successfully implemented SAFMRs. PHAs currently implementing SAFMRs are also encouraged to join. Participants will be able to ask questions that will be addressed by the presenters. Click [here](#) to register.

The 65 metropolitan areas required to use SAFMRs are listed in [this document](#).

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Posts HOTMA Resources

On the [HOTMA Resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has posted the following income and assets webinar trainings:

- [Net Family Assets](#)
- [New Definitions and Income Exclusions](#)
- [Deductions, Expenses, and Hardship Exemptions](#)
- [Calculating Income](#)
- [Interim Reexaminations](#)
- [Verifications](#)

HUD Awards \$3.16 Billion in Homelessness Assistance Funding

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced nearly \$3.16 billion in Continuum of Care ([CoC](#)) program awards for over 7,000 projects that provide housing assistance and/or supportive services to people experiencing homelessness.

According to the announcement, included in the \$3.16 billion of total awards, approximately \$136 million was made available for competitive and noncompetitive Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) renewal and replacement grants. The 2023 awards also include approximately \$57 million for new projects that will support housing and service needs for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

A list of awards by state is included in the press release. To view a complete list of all the state and local homeless projects awarded funding, click [here](#).



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