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RAD PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Posts RAD Video for PH Residents

In a RADBlast! last Thursday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has posted a video, available both in English and Spanish, designed to provide public housing residents an overall understanding of the RAD program in an accessible, engaging way. The video is meant to supplement the RAD Resident Fact Sheets that are also available in English and Spanish. According to the RADBlast!, these are other materials can be found on the RAD website under the Resident Information tab.

Other articles featured in the RADBlast! include "Building Strong Foundations for Families in Ypsilanti, MI," "New Service Funding to be Available Soon for Properties After RAD Conversion," "Early Lessons from Faircloth to RAD," and "Recent RAD Closings Around the Country." Although the latest issue has yet to be posted online, you can access previous issues on this page at HUD's website. Click here to join the RADBlast! mailing list.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Publishes Quarterly Regulatory Waivers

In a Federal Register notice last Friday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published a list of the regulatory waivers that it granted during the third quarter of calendar year 2022. You'll find the waivers granted by the Office of Public and Indian Housing on page 8900 of the notice (PDF page 15). Of the waivers granted during the quarter:

- The vast majority involved streamlined and expedited regulatory waivers for both the Housing Choice Voucher and public housing programs originally offered under the **CARES Act**
- Several involved allowing PHAs to grant a family one or more extensions of the initial voucher term regardless of the policy described in the administrative plan
- · Several involved allowing PHAs to increase the payment standard during the housing assistance payment term, as established in Notice PIH 2022-09
- Several involved allowing PHAs with a fiscal year end 3/31/22, 6/30/22, or 9/30/22 to request to waive Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) if an indicator declines as a result of operational disruptions and from its adoption of one or more CARES Act waivers
- Eight involved allowing PHAs to extend homeownership assistance for one additional year, as established in Notice PIH 2021-34
- One involved allowing accrued FSS escrow to pass to an elderly mother who is unable to work, which would prevent her from being able to complete the FSS Contract of Participation

- One involved allowing the PHA to enter into an Agreement to Enter into a Housing Assistance Payments (AHAP) contract with the owner when construction or rehabilitation commenced after proposal submission
- One waived the requirement for a PHA to submit a Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) certification within 60 days after the end of its fiscal year



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