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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Requests Registrations of Interest for VASH Vouchers

Yesterday HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) published Notice [PIH 2023-09](#), 2023 Mid-Year Registration of Interest for HUD-VASH Vouchers. The notice announces the availability of approximately \$94.4 million in HUD–Veterans Affairs ([VA](#)) supportive housing ([HUD-VASH](#)). The Department anticipates that the funding will support about 11,000 new HUD-VASH vouchers.

Under Notice [PIH 2022-26](#), HUD made available \$79 million to interested PHAs with \$25 million being awarded. Notice PIH 2023-09 is making available the remaining \$54.4 million along with the \$50 million appropriated in the 2023 Act. In accordance with the Act, up to \$10 million of the appropriated funds may be utilized for additional fees established by and allocated pursuant to a method determined by the Secretary for administrative and other expenses of PHAs in administering HUD–VASH vouchers. HUD will make all \$10 million available to PHAs administering a HUD-VASH program and anticipates issuing guidance on the availability of funding and application process by Fall 2023.

The HUD-VASH vouchers awards will follow a two-step process:

- Eligible PHAs will respond to the notice via the Registration of Interest (ROI) link located on the [HUD-VASH webpage](#). Please note that signed Letters of Support from partnering VAMCs are required and should be uploaded at the time of PHA submission.
  
- Based on a relative need formula, using VA Gap Analysis data, registered PHAs that are selected will receive an invitation to apply for a specific number of HUD-VASH vouchers. This number is the maximum number of vouchers being offered. PHAs may choose to apply for fewer vouchers.

PHAs must consult with their partnering VA facility to discuss their intentions of submitting a ROI and request the required Letter of Support for HUD-VASH vouchers. PHAs currently administering an HCV program that did not receive an award under Notice PIH 2022-26 and meet the threshold criteria detailed in Section 6 of Notice PIH 2023-09 are eligible to submit a ROI. PHAs without a current HUD-VASH program are not subject to the utilization threshold requirements outlined in Section 6.a and are eligible to submit a ROI if the other threshold requirements in Section 6.c. are met.

The deadline for submitting a ROI is **May 10, 2023**. Further details can be found in the notice.

PD&R Explains 2023 Renewal Funding Inflation Factors

In a *Federal Register* [notice](#) today, HUD’s Office of Policy Development and Research ([PD&R](#)) announced the 2023 renewal funding inflation factor (RFIF) data set for the Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program. However, as of this morning, the 2023 tables have yet to be posted on the [RFIF web page](#).

Inflation factors incorporate economic indices to measure the expected change in per unit costs (PUC) for the HCV program. Today’s notice provides the following explanation of the 2023 inflation factors:

The notice apportions the expected percent change in national per unit cost (PUC) for the HCV program, 9.60 percent, to each PHA based on the change in fair market rents (FMRs) for their operating area to produce the FY 2023 RFIFs. HUD’s FY 2023 methodology is the same as that which was used in FY 2022.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS NEWS

HUD Awards \$98 Million in Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced more than \$98 million in supplemental awards under the [Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants](#) program, which assist in the redevelopment of severely distressed HUD-assisted properties into mixed-income communities. The program also provides support to housing residents related to the health, education, and income, while simultaneously investing in neighborhood improvement projects which promote economic development and private investment.

The grant awards provide additional funds to 16 current Choice Neighborhoods Implementation grantees to address the pandemic related disruptions. The supplemental grant funding will be used to construct new, high-quality, mixed-income housing nationwide. A complete list of awardees and the amounts they will receive can be found in the press release.



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