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PIH Issues Notice on New Funding Opportunities for Mainstream Vouchers

On April 6, HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) issued Notice [PIH 2022-07](#) to announce a new noncompetitive funding opportunity for PHAs to receive additional Mainstream vouchers authorized by the CARES Act. Additionally, HUD is providing extraordinary administrative fees to help PHAs to administer the Mainstream vouchers as they prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As far as the additional Mainstream vouchers available for COVID-19 response efforts are concerned:

- PHAs eligible for this allocation are those that received a Mainstream award through the FY 2017 Mainstream Voucher program [NOFA](#), the FY 2019 Mainstream Voucher program [NOFA](#), Notice [PIH 2020-09](#), or Notice [PIH 2020-22](#), and have a current Mainstream voucher unit utilization rate of 80 percent or higher as of November 2021.
- HUD is making up to \$35,000,000 available in Mainstream carryover funding, depending on the availability of appropriations. HUD will monitor the demand for Mainstream funding and may issue further guidance describing how available Mainstream resources will be allocated.
- Application instructions are included in Section 3.c. of the notice. The deadline is **May 6, 2022**.

With respect to the extraordinary administrative fees:

- Using its authority under the CARES Act, HUD will make available \$500 per voucher awarded through the FY 2017 Mainstream Voucher NOFA or the FY 2019 Mainstream Voucher NOFA, PIH Notice 2020-09, PIH Notice 2020-22, and PIH Notice 2022-07.
- The extraordinary administrative funding must be used to support the Mainstream Voucher program for two purposes: (1) any currently eligible voucher administrative costs, including activities to support housing search and lease up of eligible applicants; and (2) costs related to the retention, recruitment, and support of participating owners in the form of security deposits, signing bonuses, vacancy payments, and damage mitigation.
- The uses of extraordinary administrative funding for retention, recruitment and support of participating owners described in the notice are unique to these amounts and include specific uses that regular, ongoing administrative fees cannot cover.
- The funding cannot be used for the repayment of debts or any amounts owed to HUD or program participants including, but not limited to, Office of Inspector General (OIG), Quality Assurance Division (QAD), or other monitoring review findings.
- Administrative fee funds provided through the notice considered for salaries, bonuses and/or employee incentives must comply with the executive compensation requirements under Section 220 of Public Law No. 116-94, Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020, and must comply with reasonable compensation requirements found at 2 CFR Part 200.430(b).
- The extraordinary administrative fees allocated through the notice are funded through carryover from previous appropriations for Mainstream vouchers. Funds will be reported using standard protocols for Mainstream vouchers described in Notice [PIH 2020-01](#).

Further details can be found in the [notice](#).

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Application Due Date for Emergency Safety Grants is June 15

HUD’s Office of Capital Improvements ([OCI](#)) has [announced](#) the application deadline date for emergency safety and security funding for fiscal year (FY) 2022. HUD will fund \$10 million in the capital fund grants this year, the same amount that was funded in FY 2021. Applications for the grants, which provide funding for safety and security measures necessary to address crime and drug-related activity and the threat of carbon monoxide poisoning in public housing developments, are due no later than **June 15, 2022**.



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