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PH PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Announces Final Session in PH Repositioning Webinar Series

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has [announced](#) that it will be hosting the final session in its series of training webinars on repositioning public housing. The series enables PHAs to understand multiple aspects of the repositioning process and identify strategies and resources available to successfully complete it.

During the [final session](#), scheduled for May 15, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern time, subject matter experts from HUD's Office of Recapitalization, Special Applications Center (SAC), Voucher Program, and field operations will be available to answer questions about repositioning. Submit your [questions](#) by May 12, 2024, to ensure HUD staff has time to prepare comprehensive answers. Click [here](#) to register.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Announces Assistance for Washington and Kansas Disaster Survivors

In two press releases yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the implementation of federal disaster assistance to supplement state, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas of the [State of Washington](#) affected by severe winter storms, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides, and mudslides from January 5 to January 29, 2024, and in the areas of [Kansas](#) affected by a severe winter storm from January 8 to January 16, 2024.

Two presidential major [disaster declarations](#) issued on April 28, 2024, allow HUD to offer assistance to state, tribal, and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of damaged facilities in impacted counties. Effective immediately, for both states, the Department will:

- Grant a [90-day moratorium](#) on foreclosures of FHA-insured homes
- Make mortgage insurance available under [HUD's Section 203\(h\)](#) program
- Make insurance available for both mortgages and home rehabilitation under [HUD's Section 203\(k\) program](#)
- Make [information on housing providers](#) and HUD programs available
- Provide flexibility to Community Planning and Development Grantees, which can apply for needed administrative flexibility in response to natural disasters. For more information on applying for a waiver or suspension of program requirements, [contact](#) your local CPD program office.
- Provide flexibility to PHAs, which can apply for needed waivers and flexibilities for disaster relief and recovery. To find detailed information on applying for a waiver, click [here](#) for the latest *Federal Register* disaster relief notice. The Department also released Notice [PIH 2021-34](#), which advises the public of HUD's expedited process for waivers and flexibilities from HUD regulatory and administrative requirements for various public housing and voucher programs.
- Provide administrative flexibility to tribes and their tribally designated housing entities
- Ensure [HUD-approved housing counseling agencies](#) are ready to assist
- Assist with housing discrimination

Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures in both states. Click [here](#) for more information about disaster resources.



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