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### **HCV PROGRAM NEWS**

#### **HUD Posts Materials for Stability Vouchers Webinars**

On the <u>HUD Exchange News</u> webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) <u>announced</u> that it has posted the materials for the following sessions in its Stability Vouchers (<u>SVs</u>) webinar series:

- Developing Effective Partnerships and SV MOUs
- Project-Basing SVs

Click on the links to access the recording, slides, and Q&As for each session. The series, intended for all PHAs administering or interested in administering SVs, reviews a variety of topics related to SVs and best practices for implementation.

## **GENERAL NEWS**

### **Treasury Posts New ERAP Resource**

The U.S. Department of the Treasury (<u>Treasury</u>) has posted the following resource to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (<u>ERAP</u>) website:

 A <u>Research and Evaluation</u> webpage that highlights how Treasury is researching the impact of economic recovery programs and how to apply lessons learned to future economic crises

You can find more ERA resources on the ERAP website.

# **HUD Announces Assistance for West Virginia Disaster Survivors**

In a <u>press release</u> yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) announced the implementation of federal disaster assistance for the State of West Virginia to assist state, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes, flooding, landslides, and mudslides from April 2 to April 6, 2024.

A presidential <u>major disaster declaration</u> issued on May 22, 2024, allows HUD to offer assistance to affected individuals in the counties of Boone, Cabell, Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, Marshall, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Wayne, and Wetzel. Effective immediately, the department will:

- Grant a 90-day moratorium on foreclosures of FHA-insured homes
- Make mortgage insurance available under <u>HUD's Section 203(h)</u> program
- Make insurance available for both mortgages and home rehabilitation under <u>HUD's</u>
   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, <u>contact</u> 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 <a href="here">here</a> for the latest Federal Register disaster relief notice. The Department also released Notice <a href="PIH">PIH</a> <a href="2021-34">2021-34</a>, 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 through regulatory waivers.
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Federal funding is also available to state 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 the counties of Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, Preston, Tyler, and Wetzel. In addition, federal funding is available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information about disaster resources.



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