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HUD Changes OpFund Portal Name to Public Housing Portal, Adds New User Role

In an [email](#) via HUD’s Financial Management Division (FMD) [mailing list](#), HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) announced that the Operating Fund (OpFund) web portal has changed its name to the Public Housing portal. According to the announcement:

When users log into secure systems, the user must click “Public Housing Portal (PIH Operating Fund)” to access the portal. The public housing portal is expanding its modules to include other programs within HUD beyond the operating fund process. With that in mind, it became prudent to change the name to become more encompassing of the business needs within HUD.

The new email to send technical questions is PublicHousingPortal@hud.gov, which replaces the former OpfundWebPortal@hud.gov email.

Additionally, HUD [announced](#) that the Public Housing Portal (PHP) recently added another PHA user role, in addition to OPD, OPE, and OPI. The previous roles addressed the PHA executive director (OPD), and PHA’s staff (OPE/OPI) to aid in the creation and completion of specific HUD forms.

The PHP has created the OPL role for PHA’s board chairs only. This user can create, edit, upload supporting documents, and in some instances electronically sign documents as required by HUD policy. However, the PHA’s executive director is still the only user who can officially submit forms for final HUD review. Our goal is to reduce burden hours on PHAs complying with submission and certification requirements.

Access to the portal may be requested through the agency’s Web Access Security Subsystem (WASS) coordinator.



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