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HUD Publishes 2022 FYI Competitive NOFA

Yesterday on [Grants.gov](#), the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published the competitive notice of funding availability (NOFA) for the fiscal year 2022 Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Initiative, which makes Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance available to PHAs in partnership with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs). The competitive FYI NOFA utilizes funding appropriated to serve youth under the Family Unification Program (FUP).

Under this NOFA, PHAs provide housing assistance on behalf of youths at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age who left foster care or will leave foster care within 90 days and are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older. As required by statute, an FYI competitive voucher issued to such a youth may only be used to provide housing assistance for the youth for a maximum of 36 months. The Fostering Stable Housing Opportunities (FSHO) amendments, most of which HUD implemented in a *Federal Register* [notice](#) on January 24, 2022, provides an extension for up to 24 months beyond the 36-month time limit for youth who meet certain requirements. FSHO applies to youth who first leased or leases a unit with an FYI voucher after the date of enactment of FSHO, December 27, 2020, which includes youth that will be assisted with funding under this NOFA.

Funding of approximately \$15,300,000 is available through this notice of funding availability. The application deadline date is **August 9, 2022**. You'll find more information on [this page](#) at HUD's [Funding Opportunities](#) website.

HUD Posts Materials for Webinar on Best Practices for Virtual Operations

On the [HCV Program Trainings and Resources](#) webpage, HUD has posted [two recordings](#) and the [presentation slides](#) for the "Adopting Best Practices for Virtual Operations" webinar that was held on May 17 and May 19, 2022. The live web conference explored how thoughtful implementation of virtual operations can improve PHA processes, increase customer service, and benefit applicants and participants. You can watch previous webinars [here](#) on the [HCV website](#).



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