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MTW PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Posts VMS Reporting Requirements Webinar Slides, Updates VMS Fields Q&As

On the Moving to Work (MTW) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Resources webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) posted the presentation slides for the webinar "Voucher Management System (VMS) Reporting Requirements for MTW Public Housing Agencies" that was held on June 10, 2024. The recording has yet to be posted.

The webinar reviewed Notice PIH 2024-11, which describes new reporting requirements for planned uses of MTW HCV reserves in the VMS, the HCV utilization methodology formula for MTW PHAs, and how and when MTW agencies must report on any commitments and obligations in the VMS.

HUD has also posted an <u>updated version</u> of the document titled "Questions and Answers Regarding Updated VMS Fields for MTW PHAs." The six-page document contains a list of questions and answers regarding how MTW PHAs should report the planned uses of their HCV program funds and HUD-held reserves for purposes other than leasing and administering vouchers.

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Issues July Edition of HCV Connect

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) has issued the <u>July edition</u> of its HCV Connect newsletter, which includes updates, tools, and tips to help with the Housing Choice Voucher (<u>HCV</u>) program administration. This month's issue features the following:

- Updated HCV Landlord Website
- HCV Utilization: Agency Priority Goal
- Voucher Management System Reporting Requirements for Moving to Work Public Housing Agencies
- NSPIRE for Vouchers Compliance Extended to October 2025
- HUD Announces Mobility-Related Services Planning Awards
- Enterprise Voucher Management System (eVMS)
- PHA Notification of Intent to Project Base Vouchers
- Fraudulent Section 8 Assistance Advertisements
- Funding Opportunities
- Events
- HCV Utilization Tool Updates

Although the latest newsletter has yet to be posted online, you can access previous issues on this <u>page</u>.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS NEWS

HUD Awards \$325 Million in Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants

In a <u>press release</u> this morning, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) announced that it is awarding more than \$305 million to new grantees in seven communities throughout the country under the <u>Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants</u> program. In addition to the new grants, HUD is awarding \$19.5 million in funding to current grantees.

The awards will redevelop distressed housing with high-quality mixed-income options, while also providing residents with services focused on income, health, and education. Grant funds may also be used for neighborhood improvements which promote economic development and spur additional private investment.

A complete list of awardees and the amounts they will receive can be found in the press release. To read each community's grant project summary, click here.



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