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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Requests Registrations of Interest for VASH Vouchers

Yesterday HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) published Notice [PIH 2023-22](#), 2023 Summer Registration of Interest for HUD-VASH Vouchers. The notice announces the availability of approximately \$73 million in HUD–Veterans Affairs ([VA](#)) supportive housing ([HUD-VASH](#)). The Department anticipates that the funding will support about 7,500 new HUD-VASH vouchers.

Under Notice [PIH 2023-09](#) HUD made available \$93 million to interested PHAs. Awards are currently being made under that notice. Notice PIH 2023-22 is making available the remaining estimated \$73 million. In accordance with the 2023 Appropriations Act, up to \$10 million of the appropriated funds may be utilized for additional fees established by and allocated pursuant to a method determined by the Secretary for administrative and other expenses of PHAs in administering HUD–VASH vouchers. HUD will make all \$10 million available to PHAs administering a HUD-VASH program and anticipates issuing guidance on the availability of funding and application process by Fall 2023.

The HUD-VASH vouchers awards will follow a two-step process:

- Eligible PHAs will respond to the notice via the Registration of Interest (ROI) link located on the [HUD-VASH webpage](#). Please note that signed Letters of Support from partnering VAMCs are required and should be uploaded at the time of PHA submission.

- Based on a relative need formula, using VA Gap Analysis data, registered PHAs that are selected will receive an invitation to apply for a specific number of HUD-VASH vouchers. This number is the maximum number of vouchers being offered. PHAs may choose to apply for fewer vouchers.

PHAs must consult with their partnering VA facility to discuss their intentions of submitting a ROI and request the required Letter of Support for HUD-VASH vouchers. PHAs currently administering the HCV program that also meet the threshold criteria detailed in Section 6 of Notice PIH 2023-22 are eligible to submit a ROI. PHAs without a current HUD-VASH program are not subject to the utilization threshold requirements outlined in Section 6.a and are eligible to submit a ROI if the other threshold requirements in Section 6.c. are met.

The deadline for submitting a ROI is **September 15, 2023**. Further details can be found in the [notice](#).

HUD to Host Webinar on Small Area Fair Market Rents

On the [HCV program trainings and resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it will host a webinar titled “HCV Utilization - Considering Small Area FMRs.” The webinar will provide a chance to walk through the new Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMRs) [dashboard/webpage](#). Participants will learn about the benefits of SAFMRs and how to implement them. It will also serve as a reminder about additional funds. The live web conference is scheduled for Thursday, August 17, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. To register, click [here](#).

The HCV Utilization webinar series is intended to help Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program administrators learn about the latest HCV resources, program guidance, policy changes, and best practices in HCV administration. You can watch previous webinars [here](#).



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