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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Issues Notice on Stability Voucher Program

Yesterday HUD’s Office of Public and Indian Housing ([PIH](#)) issued Notice [PIH 2022-24](#) to explain HUD’s noncompetitive allocation strategy and program requirements for the new Stability Voucher program through which the Department is awarding up to \$43,439,000 to support approximately 4,000 new incremental vouchers. Stability Vouchers (SVs) may assist households experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking; and veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meets one of the proceeding criteria. The notice clarifies that persons who are fleeing or attempting to flee human trafficking are an eligible category for SVs.

According to the notice, under the 2021 Act, SVs funding must be awarded to PHAs that partner with eligible Continuums of Care ([CoC](#)) or other entities serving the targeted population. HUD will award tenant-based SVs to PHAs who self-identify to HUD their interest in receiving an allocation and demonstrate a strategy to coordinate assistance with services available in the community. To be eligible to receive an SVs funding allocation, a PHA must currently administer the Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program through an existing Consolidated Annual Contributions Contract (CACC) with HUD. Nonprofit agencies that only administer HCV Mainstream vouchers are not eligible.

SVs awards will follow a two-step process: 1. Eligible PHAs will respond to the notice with an email (Section 5 includes detailed instructions). 2. Based on a relative need formula, that uses estimates of households experiencing or at risk of homeless by geography, registered PHAs will receive an invitation to apply for a specific number of SVs. Additional funds may become available for award under the notice, because of a PHA determination to not accept an award (all or partial), or because of HUD’s efforts to recapture funds, use carryover funds, or because of the availability of additional appropriated funds.

The notice also states that the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, provides that HUD may waive certain statutory and regulatory provisions to administer the SVs (except for requirements related to tenant rights and protections, rent setting, fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards and the environment) upon a finding that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary to facilitate the use of funds made available for SVs. Attachment III of the notice includes a summary of the available SVs waivers and alternative requirements.

Further details, including the summary of allocation formula, determination of awards, registration of interest, PHA and household eligibility, turnover, and reporting requirements can be found in the [notice](#).

HUD-VASH NEWS

PIH Issues Notice on Voluntary Reallocation/Recapture of HUD-VASH Vouchers

Yesterday HUD’s PIH Office also issued Notice [PIH 2022-25](#) establishing the processes under which a HUD–Veterans Affairs ([VA](#)) supportive housing ([HUD-VASH](#)) PHA may be approved to voluntarily reallocate all or a portion of their HUD-VASH vouchers and any associated funding to another HUD-VASH PHA within the same Veteran Affairs Medical Center ([VAMC](#)) catchment area, or, if reallocation is not an option, have all or a portion of their HUD-VASH vouchers and associated funding recaptured and returned back to HUD. Below are some highlights of the notice:

- All HUD-VASH vouchers and associated funding returned to HUD will be awarded as part of a future HUD-VASH national allocation process, based on need and any other congressionally mandated factors.
- The notice applies to PHAs currently administering the HUD-VASH program, and only applies to unleased HUD-VASH vouchers that are no longer needed in the PHA’s jurisdiction.
- In cases of reallocation to another PHA, both the initial and the receiving PHAs must have a common VAMC administering their case management for their HUD-VASH participants.
- For full HCV program voluntary transfers (or consolidations) including HUD-VASH vouchers and other special purpose vouchers, PHAs must follow the procedures in Notice [PIH 2018-12](#) or any superseding notice.
- Requests for HUD-VASH voucher reallocations and recaptures described under the notice will generally be processed twice annually with effective dates of January 1 or July 1. Requests must be submitted before April 1 for a July 1 effective date or submitted before October 1 for a January 1 effective date. HUD may choose to adjust these deadlines as needed.
- The processes for requesting a HUD-VASH reallocation and recapture are respectively detailed in Section 5 and Section 6 of the notice.

More information can be found in the [notice](#).



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