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## **PH PROGRAM NEWS**

## PIH Issues Notice on 2025 Operating Fund Grant Eligibility Calculations

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (<u>PIH</u>) has published Notice <u>PIH 2024-25</u> to provide instructions for calculating operating fund grants for calendar year (CY) 2025. Compared to Notice <u>PIH 2023-25</u> on the same subject, this notice includes the following changes and additions:

- It emphasizes the need for PHA cooperation and bearing responsibility for timely submission requirements.
- Requirements and submission timelines for appeals are further clarified.
- Further explanation is provided for the eligibility to benefit from the Elderly/Disabled Service Coordinator (EDSC) program.
- It provides clarification that PHAs may request waivers of insurance requirements.
- It provides clarification that PHAs may submit project expense levels (PEL) appeals in the event that increases in insurance premium make PELs unrepresentative of operating
- It provides clarification that operating funds held by a PHA are required to be deposited in an interest-bearing account, exceptions to the requirement are described in the notice.
- It provides clarification that pursuant to 2 CFR part 200, interest on grant funds is required to be remitted to the Department of Health and Human Services.
- Grant period ending dates are defined with further clarity.

The HUD-52722/HUD-52723 forms and the instructions for completing them are posted to the <u>Public Housing Portal</u>. HUD posts other required documents, submission deadlines, and guidance materials related to various formula elements on the <u>2025 operating fund grant processing webpage</u>. Failure to meet the posted submission deadline is grounds for HUD's denial of an operating subsidy grant to a PHA.

HUD will deploy HUD-52722/HUD-52723 forms for new projects and notify PHAs via email no later than June 23, 2025. To receive funding in 2025, PHAs must submit the forms using the Public Housing Portal to the appropriate HUD field office no later than June 30, 2025. Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered for funding in CY 2025.

## **HCV PROGRAM NEWS**

## **HUD Publishes 2024 FUP NOFO**

Last Thursday on <u>Grants.gov</u>, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) <u>posted</u> the notice of funding opportunity (<u>NOFO</u>) for its FY 2024 Family Unification Program (<u>FUP</u>). The NOFO makes available approximately \$5,030,814 for new voucher assistance to PHAs with demonstrated experience and resources for supportive services, as evidenced by an executed memorandum of understanding with a public child welfare agency. The FUP voucher assistance is intended for the following groups:

- Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in the imminent placement of the family's child or children in out-of-home care, or the delay in the discharge of the child or children to the family from out-of-home care; and
- 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, FUP vouchers issued to youth are limited to 36 months unless the youth meets the requirements to receive an extension of assistance under the Fostering Stable Housing Opportunities (FSHO) amendments. FSHO provides FUP youth an extension of the 36-month time limit for up to an additional 24 months if they meet certain requirements. FSHO applies to FUP youth who first leased or leases a unit after the date of enactment of FSHO, December 27, 2020, which includes youth that will be assisted with funding under this NOFO.

Applications for FUP funding are due by **October 30**, **2024**. You'll find a link to the NOFO on <u>this page</u> at HUD's <u>Funding Opportunities</u> website. Materials related to the NOFO will be posted soon on the <u>FUP webpage</u>.



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