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PH PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Awards \$10 Million in Emergency Safety and Security Grants

In a <u>press release</u> yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) announced that it has awarded \$10 million to 56 PHAs throughout the country to make needed capital improvements in public housing developments that serve to enhance safety and security for residents.

The funds, awarded under the <u>Capital Fund Emergency Safety and Security program</u>, may be used to install, repair, or replace capital equipment or systems that contribute to a safer living environment for residents, including security systems/surveillance cameras, fencing, lighting systems, emergency alarm systems, window bars, deadbolt locks, doors, and carbon monoxide detectors. The grants also support crime prevention.

To view a complete list of the grantees, the amounts they were awarded, and program descriptions, click <u>here</u>.

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Allocates \$800,000 through FYI Initiative

In another <u>press release</u> yesterday, HUD announced that it will make available \$800,000 to 18 PHAs in 12 states to provide housing assistance to youth who are aging out of foster care and are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. The funding, awarded through HUD's Foster Youth to Independence (<u>FYI</u>) initiative, will make available a total of 84 housing choice vouchers (<u>HCVs</u>) to these PHAs. To see a complete list of awardees, the amounts they will receive, and individual project descriptions, click <u>here</u>.

This new allocation of funding was made on a noncompetitive, rolling basis. PHAs work in collaboration with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs) and other community organizations to provide a holistic approach to helping youth obtain self-sufficiency. The process and eligibility requirements to apply for the FYI noncompetitive vouchers can be found in Notice <u>PIH 2023-04</u>. PHAs can submit a request by using the <u>PHA's Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Application</u> <u>Request Form</u>. For more information and resources, visit the <u>FYI webpage</u>.

Under FYI, PHAs provide housing assistance on behalf of youth 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 at risk of becoming homelessness.

RAD PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Posts Training on Resident Engagement Updates

Yesterday on the <u>RAD website</u>, HUD announced that it has made available a training titled "2023 <u>RAD Supplemental Notice: Changes for Resident Engagement and Protections</u>." According to the announcement, the recorded training explains changes such as the requirement for additional resident meetings and required documents to be submitted in accordance with the new 2023 <u>RAD Supplemental Notice</u>, published on July 27, 2023. The changes to resident engagement requirements go into effect on September 20, 2023. For more information visit the <u>RAD Public Housing Residents</u> webpage.



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