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HUD Requests Comments on Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts

Today in the *Federal Register*, HUD's Office of General Counsel ([OGC](#)) published a [notice](#) titled "Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts: Request for Comments."

Consistent with the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 ("2015 Act"), HUD annually publishes a final rule adjusting its civil money penalty amounts for inflation according to the formula provided by the 2015 Act. In these rules, HUD does not apply the adjustments retroactively and provides that the inflation-adjusted penalty amounts apply to violations occurring on or after the rule's effective date. HUD is considering revising this approach, however, and annually applying inflation-adjusted penalty amounts to violations assessed after the date of inflation, if the violation occurred after the enactment of the 2015 Act.

Through this request for comments, HUD seeks public input on the impact of applying inflation-adjusted penalty amounts on the date the penalty is assessed rather than the date of the violation. Comments are due on or before **November 21, 2022**.

HUD Awards Nearly \$1 Million through FYI Initiative

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it has awarded nearly \$1 million to 17 PHAs in 11 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 ([FYI](#)) initiative, will offer housing vouchers to local PHAs to prevent or end homelessness among young adults under the age of 25 who are leaving, or have recently left, the foster care system. A complete list of awardees and the amounts they will receive can be found in the press release.



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