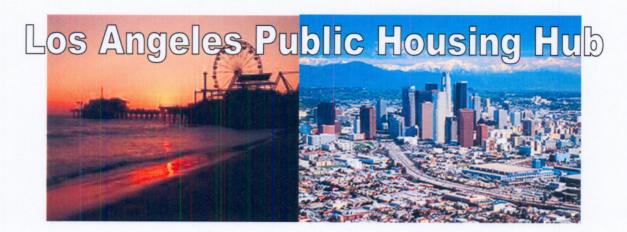
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It's time to shine in 2009

Serving Southern California

Los Angeles HUD Office Presents PHAs Energy Star Certificates



Photographed are:

From the Los Angeles Office of Public Housing: Christopher Taliaferro and Ted Skonos
From the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles: Maria Badrakhan, Acting, AED, and Norma Nuñez,
Modernization Program Coordinator

Many Housing Authorities in the Los Angeles area conducted Energy Star events this fiscal year. The Los Angeles Field Office presented certificates to participating PHAs and their partnering utilities companies. The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles, (HACOLA) along with Oxnard, Los Angeles City, San Buenaventura, Ventura

County, Riverside County and San Bernardino hosted meetings where residents received compact fluorescent light bulbs, which are energy efficient.

The Energy Star program was created by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Program involves products for the home and office, with the objective of improved energy management.

Asset Management Helpful Links

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/

Project-Based Funding

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/funding.cfm

Project-Based Budgeting

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/budgeting.cfm

Project-Based Accounting

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/accounting.cfm

Project-Based Management

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/mgmt.cfm

Project-Based Oversight/Performance Assessment

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/oversight.cfm

Notices, Rules and Regulations

http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/regs/index.cfm



PIC MOMENTS WITH MARTHA SUMMARIZATION SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2009

- The Monthly Summarization extract is run the First Friday of the month and continues throughout the weekend. The summarization process starts, barring any complications, at about 8pm Eastern Standard Time. If something hangs that part of the summarization is rerun the next weekend.
- Data received and processed before the First Friday cutoff will be included in the reports if its
 effective date falls within the report date range. HAs must make sure the 50058 submissions
 are completed the Thursday prior to the commencement of the summarization process.
- Monthly summarization reports are generated based on the effective date of the actions.
 Therefore, the effective month of the action will be included in that month ending report. For

example, if a PHA submitted a 50058 with an effective action date of January 2009, it will show in the January 31, 2009 reports, etc.

- Exceptions to First Friday summarization are made when:
 - a) The First Friday falls during a software release
 - b) The monthly summarization fails to run successfully, and/or
 - c) Other operational problems prevent the running of the summarization that weekend.

End of the Month	First Friday/weekend of summarization process
December 31, 2008	January 2-4, 2009
January 31, 2009	February 6-8, 2009
March 31, 2009	April 3-5, 2009
April 30, 2009	May 1-3, 2009
May 31, 2009	June 5-7, 2009
June 30, 2009	July 3-6, 2009
July 31, 2009	August 7-9, 2009
August 31, 2009	September 4-6, 2009
September 30, 2009	October 2-4, 2009
October 31, 2009	November 6-8, 2009
November 30, 2009	December 4-6, 2009
December 31, 2009	January 8-10, 2010

THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

EIV Recertifications due in January 2009, by Martha E Murillo, EIV Coordinator

- Remember to re-certify all existing users by January 31, 2009 (11:59PM, EST). Failure to do so will result in termination of EIV access on January 31, 2009 (12:00AM, EST) Double click on the User Certification link.
- Select certification status of "pending certification"
 Click on the List Users radio button.
 A list of users that require re-certification will be displayed.
- For each user that requires continued access to EIV <u>and</u> has an EIV Access Authorization, User Agreement and Rules of Behavior form on file may be re-certified.
- Security and User Administrators are recertified by the Field Office EIV Coordinator.

Did you know the following on Operating Subsidy? Submitted by Martha E Murillo

The Financial Management Division (FMD) has posted the announcement regarding the initial funding obligation for CY 2009 for four months (through April 2009). In that announcement, FMD included the CY 2009 utility inflation factor (9.44%), estimated CY 2009 eligibility (\$5.0 billion), and estimated CY 2009 proration (88%). The announcement also included the schedule for subsidy processing, which is as follows:

✓ January 7, 2009 – Submissions due to Field Offices for PHAs with fewer than 250 units
 ✓ January 23, 2009 – Submissions due to Field Offices for PHAs with 250 or more units
 ✓ March 20, 2009 – Field Office processing completed and forwarded to Headquarters
 ✓ April 30, 2009 – Second funding obligation completed, based on actual PHA submissions

Here are the respective webpage links:
Calendar Year 2009 Subsidy Processing
http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/am/of/opfnd2009.cfm

This page includes information for PHAs and field offices in the processing of operating subsidies for 2009.

Current Year Obligations

▶ Obligation Letters January 2009 [Will be posted in January 2009]

2009 Subsidy Submissions

- CY 2009 PHA HUD-52723 Excel Tools <a>CY
- ► CY 2009 PHA HUD-52723 Excel Tool User Guide CHEUD
- Data to be used for completing CY 2009 operating subsidy submission
- Notice 2008-33, Public Housing Operating Subsidy Calculations for Calendar Year
 (CY) 2009

Funding Explanations and Methodologies

- New Projects/Units Guidance
- Explanation of Initial CY 2009 Obligation
- ▶ PHA-Wide Calculator PILOT and Audit Cost for 2009 Based on FDS ●
- Elderly/Disabled Service Coordinator Program (Form HUD-52723, Section 3, Line 07, CY 2009) [coming soon]
- <u>Utility Expense Level Calculator (UEL Calculator)</u> (MS-Excel)
- ▶ UEL Inflation Factor Methodology ■■■

VMS

Notice PIH 2008-39, issued November 3, 2008, provides information on changes that are being made in the submission and processing of data in the Voucher Management System (VMS).

In November 2008, PHAs began entering their monthly data on a monthly basis, rather than quarterly. Submissions are made in the month following the reporting month. An edit and validation process is now performed on-line as the PHAs enters the data. If an entry fails an edit, the PHA will be alerted to review the data, revise it if needed or provide an explanatory comment. The submission will be accepted once all entries have passed validation.

A revised VMS Users Guide is available on the VMS site under the instructions tab.

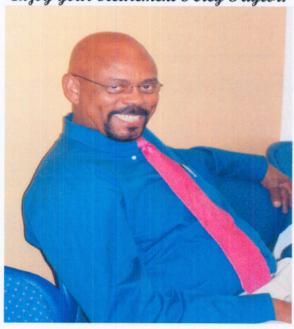
ANNUAL PLANS

Notice PIH 2008-41, issued November 13, 2008, implements provisions of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA). HERA provides qualified PHAs an exemption to submitting annual PHA Plans. A qualified PHA is one whose sum of PH and HCV units does not exceed 550 and is not a troubled agency. However, all agencies will be required to submit the 5-year plan when the cycle rolls around in 2010. Non-qualifying PHAs will begin using a revised PHA Plan template with the PHA FY beginning April 1, 2009.

Annual Plan due dates are:

PHA FY Beginning	Annual Plans Due	FY Ending
April 1, 2009	January 16, 2009	March 31, 2010
July 1, 2009	April 17, 2009	June 30, 2010
October 1, 2009	July 18, 2009	September 30, 2010
January 1, 2010	October 19, 2009	December 31, 2010





After 21 years of federal service, Percy Taylor retired October 31, 2008. He was a facilities manager for the Los Angeles Office of Public Housing. We will miss his rich personality.

FAMILY UNIFICATION PROGRAM (FUP) NOFA

The FY 2008 FUP NOFA is published in the Federal Register dated November 24, 2008. The NOFA makes available \$20 million for incremental voucher assistance to promote family unification.

If you are interested in applying for these vouchers, please read both this NOFA and the General Section of the SuperNOFA that was published in the March 19, 2008 Federal Register. The General Section may be obtained at http://www.hud.gov/utilities/intercept.cfm?/offices/adm/grants/nofa08/gensec.pdf

Applications must be <u>received and validated</u> by Grants.gov no later than January 28, 2008. Since validation may take up to 72 hours, your actual deadline for submission is January 25. You also need to be pre-registered in Grants.gov. If you haven't pre-registered- do so now!

FUP provides vouchers to families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in the imminent placement of children in out-of-home care or in the delay in the discharge of children to the family from out-of-home care. Youths at least 18 years old and not more than 21 who left foster care at 16 or older and do not have adequate housing are also eligible. A FUP voucher issued to such a youth may only be used to provide housing assistance for a maximum of 18 months.

FUP vouchers will be administered by PHAs under the HCV program regulations. PHAs will be working with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs) who will make determinations of eligibility of the lack of adequate housing for families and youths.

PHAs may request vouchers as follows:

Program sizes	Maximum vouchers	
2000 or more units	100	
500-1999	50	
Under 500	25	

If more requests are made than available budget authority, HUD will use a lottery system to approve applications.

Thank you to everyone who attended our November Proactive Exchange!



Mark your calendars now for the next Proactive Exchange planned for Tuesday, February 10, 2009.

Season's Greetings and Best Wishes from Los Angeles Office of PIH



Pictured left to right: Anthony Sprowl, Alejandra Sigala, Chris Taliaferro, Sara Kurzenhauser, Bob Kroll, Mayfelisa Miso, Gregory Nunn, Johnson Badalpour, K.J. Brockington, Martha Murillo, Ted Skonos, Linda Chu, Letitia Henderson and Maria Granata. We welcome Chris Taliaferro and Bob Kroll to our team and will introduce them in the next newsletter.

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Need Assistance

The Answer is just a phone call away....

- Local Agency Contact Information
- PIH Guidebooks and Notices

Rent Calculations
Not Correct?

- Public Housing, Section 8
 Homeownership fact
 sheets and more
- Applicable References to (CFR)s

Listed are just a few of the reference and referral services that PIH Information and Resource Center provides to the General Public, Public Housing and Section 8 Residents, and Housing Agency Staff.

You may contact PIH IRC

Operating hours: Monday-Friday

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (EST)

at (800) 955-2232 or email: pihrc@deval.us