U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000



OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

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TX431 TARRANT COUNTY HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2100 CIRCLE DR., SUITE 200 FORT WORTH, TX 76119

Dear Executive Director:

I am pleased to notify you that your public housing agency (PHA) is eligible for new Mainstream vouchers and funding as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (Public Law 116-136). The CARES Act allowed the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to allocate additional vouchers to PHAs non-competitively to help them prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus in their communities. Your PHA submitted an application requesting Mainstream vouchers using the criteria identified in PIH Notice 2020-22: Mainstream Vouchers – Non-Competitive Opportunity for Additional Vouchers Authorized by the CARES Act, Temporary Waivers and Alternative Requirements, and Modified 2020 Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Renewal Calculation.

The enclosed table (see last page) shows the number of units and the budget authority awarded. The default effective date of your award will be January 1, 2021 unless you contact your Financial Analyst at the Financial Management Center (FMC) by Friday, December 4, 2020, to request an alternative effective date. Your effective date may be the first of any month beginning December 2020 through March 2021.

Please remember, as with the regular voucher program, the awarded budget authority and number of units both serve as a cap. Your agency may only lease until you have reached the lower of your budget authority or number of units allocated. If you have money left but you have leased all the awarded units, this extra funding will go into your agency's Mainstream Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) reserves. If you are on track to spend all of the awarded funding but still have units left, stop leasing before you run out of money.

The FMC will provide your agency with an amended Annual Contributions Contract that reflects the obligation of funds and monthly disbursements amount to be scheduled. Initially, the first three months of disbursements will be automatically scheduled. Each disbursement will equal 1/12th of your award amount. Thereafter, monthly disbursements will be scheduled based on monthly Mainstream expenses reported in the Voucher Management System (VMS). If you have not leased any vouchers by month three, you will not receive additional disbursements until VMS data shows you are incurring HAP expenses. If at any time such disbursements are not sufficient to cover your monthly expenses, your agency should contact your Financial Analyst at the FMC.

Your agency must follow all HCV program requirements when administering the Mainstream Voucher Program, including the regulations at 24 CFR part 982, and the requirements in PIH Notice 2020-22 and <u>PIH Notice 2020-01:Revised Policies and Procedures for the Mainstream Voucher Program.</u> Your PHA is required to follow relevant statutes, regulations, and HUD guidance.

To ensure that Mainstream families are recorded properly, you must record MS5 on line 2n of the form HUD-50058 (Family Report). Remember to accurately record families who are homeless at admission on line 4c of the HUD-50058. Mainstream vouchers and corresponding HAP expenses must also be accurately reported in VMS. The Mainstream Voucher Program is reported separately in FASS-PH under the CFDA code 14.879.

Additional information regarding the Mainstream Voucher Program can be found at: https://www.hud.gov/program offices/public indian housing/programs/hcv/mainstream

Please contact MainstreamVouchers@hud.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Danielle L Bastarache

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Number of Vouchers	Budget Authority
75	\$590,895