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Streamlined Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Year: 2004 PHA Name:

Little Falls
Housing Authority

NOTE: This PHA Plan template (HUD-50075-SA) is to be completed in accordance with instructions contained in previous Notices PIH 99-33 (HA), 99-51 (HA), 2000-22 (HA), 2000-36 (HA), 2000-43 (HA), 2001-4 (HA), 2001-26 (HA), 2003-7 (HA), and any related notices HUD may subsequently issue.

Streamlined Annual PHA Plan Agency Identification

PHA Name: Little Falls Housing Authority

PHA Number: NY109

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: (mm/yyyy) 07/2004

PHA Programs Administered:

Public Housing and Section 8 **Section 8 Only** **Public Housing Only**

Number of public housing units:
Number of S8 units:

Number of S8 units: 142 Number of public housing units:

PHA Consortia: (check box if submitting a joint PHA Plan and complete table)

Participating PHAs	PHA Code	Program(s) Included in the Consortium	Programs Not in the Consortium	# of Units Each Program
Participating PHA 1:				
Participating PHA 2:				
Participating PHA 3:				

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Public Access to Information

Information regarding any activities outlined in this plan can be obtained by contacting: (select all that apply)

PHA's main administrative office PHA's development management offices

Display Locations For PHA Plans and Supporting Documents

The PHA Plan revised policies or program changes (including attachments) are available for public review and inspection. Yes No.

If yes, select all that apply:

- Main administrative office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- Main administrative office of the local, county or State government

- Public library PHA website Other (list below)

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at: (select all that apply)
 Main business office of the PHA PHA development management offices
 Other (list below)

**Streamlined Annual PHA Plan
 Fiscal Year 2004**
 [24 CFR Part 903.12(c)]

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B. SEPARATE HARD COPY SUBMISSIONS TO LOCAL HUD FIELD OFFICE

Form HUD-50076, PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations. Board Resolution to Accompany the Streamlined Annual Plan identifying policies or programs the PHA has revised since submission of its last Annual Plan, and including Civil Rights certifications and assurances the changed policies were presented to the Resident Advisory Board for review and comment, approved by the PHA governing board, and made available for review and inspection at the PHA's principal office;

For PHAs Applying for Formula Capital Fund Program (CFP) Grants:

- Form HUD-50070, Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace;**
- Form HUD-50071, Certification of Payments to Influence Federal Transactions; and**
- Form SF-LLL & SF-LLLa, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.**

1. Site-Based Waiting Lists (Eligibility, Selection, Admissions Policies)

[24 CFR Part 903.12(c), 903.7(b)(2)]

Exemptions: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component.

Not Applicable – The Little Falls Housing Authority is a Section 8 only Agency.

A. Site-Based Waiting Lists-Previous Year

1. Has the PHA operated one or more site-based waiting lists in the previous year? If yes, complete the following table; if not skip to B.

Site-Based Waiting Lists				
Development Information (Name, number, location)	Date Initiated	Initial mix of Racial, Ethnic or Disability Demographics	Current mix of Racial, Ethnic or Disability Demographics since Initiation of SBWL	Percent change between initial and current mix of Racial, Ethnic, or Disability demographics

2. What is the number of site based waiting list developments to which families may apply at one time?
3. How many unit offers may an applicant turn down before being removed from the site-based waiting list?
4. Yes No: Is the PHA the subject of any pending fair housing complaint by HUD or any court order or settlement agreement? If yes, describe the order, agreement or complaint and describe how use of a site-based waiting list will not violate or be inconsistent with the order, agreement or complaint below:

B. Site-Based Waiting Lists – Coming Year

If the PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, answer each of the following questions; if not, skip to next component.

1. How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year?
2. Yes No: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)?
If yes, how many lists?
3. Yes No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously
If yes, how many lists?
4. Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)?
 - PHA main administrative office
 - All PHA development management offices
 - Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists
 - At the development to which they would like to apply
 - Other (list below)

2. Capital Improvement Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.12 (c), 903.7 (g)]

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A. Capital Fund Program

1. Yes No Does the PHA plan to participate in the Capital Fund Program in the upcoming year? If yes, complete items 7 and 8 of this template (Capital Fund Program tables). If no, skip to B.
2. Yes No: Does the PHA propose to use any portion of its CFP funds to repay debt incurred to finance capital improvements? If so, the PHA must identify in its annual and 5-year capital plans the development(s) where such improvements will be made and show both how the proceeds of the financing will be used and the amount of the annual payments required to service the debt. (Note that separate HUD approval is required for such financing activities.).

B. HOPE VI and Public Housing Development and Replacement Activities (Non-Capital Fund)

Applicability: All PHAs administering public housing. Identify any approved HOPE VI and/or public housing development or replacement activities not described in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

Not Applicable – The Little Falls Housing Authority is a Section 8 only Agency.

1. Yes No: Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to #3; if yes, provide responses to the items on the chart located on the next page, copying and completing as many times as necessary).

2. Status of HOPE VI revitalization grant(s):

HOPE VI Revitalization Grant Status	
a. Development Name:	
b. Development Number:	
c. Status of Grant:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revitalization Plan under development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revitalization Plan approved
<input type="checkbox"/>	Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway

3. Yes No: Does the PHA expect to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year?
If yes, list development name(s) below:

4. Yes No: Will the PHA be engaging in any mixed-finance development activities for public housing in the Plan year? If yes, list developments or activities below:

5. Yes No: Will the PHA be conducting any other public housing development or replacement activities not discussed in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement? If yes, list developments or activities below:

3. Section 8 Tenant Based Assistance--Section 8(y) Homeownership Program

(if applicable) [24 CFR Part 903.12(c), 903.7(k)(1)(i)]

1. Yes No: Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as implemented by 24 CFR part 982 ? (If "No", skip to the next component; if "yes", complete each program description below (copy and complete questions for each program identified.)

2. Program Description:

a. Size of Program

Yes No: Will the PHA limit the number of families participating in the Section 8 homeownership option?

If the answer to the question above was yes, what is the maximum number of participants this fiscal year?

b. PHA-established eligibility criteria

Yes No: Will the PHA's program have eligibility criteria for participation in its Section 8 Homeownership Option program in addition to HUD criteria?

If yes, list criteria:

c. What actions will the PHA undertake to implement the program this year (list)?

3. Capacity of the PHA to Administer a Section 8 Homeownership Program:

The PHA has demonstrated its capacity to administer the program by (select all that apply):

- Establishing a minimum homeowner downpayment requirement of at least 3 percent of purchase price and requiring that at least 1 percent of the purchase price comes from the family's resources.
- Requiring that financing for purchase of a home under its Section 8 homeownership will be provided, insured or guaranteed by the state or Federal government; comply with secondary mortgage market underwriting requirements; or comply with generally accepted private sector underwriting standards.
- Partnering with a qualified agency or agencies to administer the program (list name(s) and years of experience below):
- Demonstrating that it has other relevant experience (list experience below):

4. Use of the Project-Based Voucher Program

Intent to Use Project-Based Assistance

Yes No: Does the PHA plan to "project-base" any tenant-based Section 8 vouchers in the coming year? If the answer is "no," go to the next component. If yes, answer the following questions.

1. Yes No: Are there circumstances indicating that the project basing of the units, rather than tenant-basing of the same amount of assistance is an appropriate option? If yes, check which circumstances apply:

- low utilization rate for vouchers due to lack of suitable rental units
- access to neighborhoods outside of high poverty areas
- other (describe below:)

2. Indicate the number of units and general location of units (e.g. eligible census tracts or smaller areas within eligible census tracts):

5. PHA Statement of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

[24 CFR Part 903.15]

For each applicable Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times as necessary) only if the PHA has provided a certification listing program or policy changes from its last Annual Plan submission.

1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: (State of New York)
2. The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)

- The PHA has based its statement of needs of families on its waiting lists on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s.
- The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.
- The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development of this PHA Plan.
- Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)

We are continuing to market our Section 8 program to make families and elderly/disabled persons aware of the availability of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing in the City of Little Falls and Herkimer County, New York.

- Other: (list below)

The Little Falls Housing Authority Section 8 Administrative Plan Requirements are established and designed to:

- To provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for very low income families while maintaining their rent payments at an affordable level.
- To ensure that all units meet Housing Quality Standards and families pay fair and reasonable rents.
- To promote fair housing and the opportunity for very low-income families of all

ethnic backgrounds to experience freedom of housing choice.

- To promote a housing program which maintains quality service and integrity while providing an incentive to private property owners to rent to very low income families.
- To assist the local economy by increasing the occupancy rate and the amount of money flowing into the community.
- To encourage self sufficiency of participant families and assist in the expansion of family opportunities which address educational, socio-economic, recreational and other human service needs.
- To create positive public awareness and expand the level of family, owner, and community support in accomplishing the Little Falls Housing Authority's mission.
- To attain and maintain a high level of standards and professionalism in our day to day management of all program components.
- To administer an efficient, high-performing agency through continuous improvement of the housing authority's support systems and commitment to our employees and their development.

3. The Consolidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following actions and commitments: (describe below)

The New York State Consolidated Plan establishes three strategic objectives that are of equal importance and form the basis of New York State's strategy:

- 1. Preserve and increase the supply of decent, safe and affordable housing available to all low and moderate income households, and help identify and develop available resources to assist in the development of housing.**

While not specifically targeting funds in the Consolidated Plan for such programs, New York State believes it has a vested interest in the federal government's commitment to continue to provide resources for the operations, maintenance and preservation of Section 8 and public housing. The Consolidate Plan states: "The preservation of this irreplaceable low-income housing asset should remain a federal priority. Specifically, the federal government should maintain its commitment to rental assistance, preservation of housing eligible for mortgage prepayment and funding for operations, repairs, maintenance and modernization of public housing."

2. Improve the ability of low and moderate income New Yorkers to access rental and home-ownership opportunities.

The Consolidate Plan includes the provision of rental assistance where possible and also to providing home-ownership opportunities to low-income and minority households. State housing agencies are encouraged to apply for Section 8 program funding.

3. Address the shelter, housing, and service needs of the homeless poor and others with special needs.

Among the programs to be utilized, are the various Section 8 programs.

The Consolidated Plan addresses Public Housing Resident Initiatives. The Plan states that “the State of New York does not directly own or administer Federal public housing. Therefore the requirements of this section of the Consolidated Plan do not apply to the State of New York.”

“The State does have a State public housing program as noted in the Needs Assessment. Tenant participation in the management of housing authorities is not only encouraged in this State, but mandated in New York’s Public Housing Law, which provides that authorities having a population under one million be composed of up to seven members, including two tenants elected by public housing residents. The underlying philosophy has been to ensure that tenants’ needs and concerns are effectively communicated to the governing body of the authority and, when necessary, to DHCR, as the supervising State agency.”

In summary, the New York State Consolidated Plan strategies are consistent with and support the goals and objectives of the Little Falls Housing Authority.

6. Supporting Documents Available for Review for Streamlined Annual PHA Plans

PHAs are to indicate which documents are available for public review by placing a mark in the “Applicable & On Display” column in the appropriate rows. All listed documents must be on display if applicable to the program activities conducted by the PHA.

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
NA	<i>PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations and Board Resolution to Accompany the Standard Annual, Standard Five-Year, and Streamlined Five-Year/Annual Plans;</i>	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	<i>PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations and Board Resolution to Accompany the Streamlined Annual Plan</i>	Streamlined Annual Plans

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Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
NA	<i>Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plan Consistency with Consolidated Plan.</i>	5 Year and standard Annual Plans
X	Fair Housing Documentation Supporting Fair Housing Certifications: Records reflecting that the PHA has examined its programs or proposed programs, identified any impediments to fair housing choice in those programs, addressed or is addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available, and worked or is working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdictions' initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement.	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Housing Needs Statement of the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction(s) in which the PHA is located and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs for families on the PHA's public housing and Section 8 tenant-based waiting lists.	Annual Plan: Housing Needs
NA	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources
NA	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O/ACOP), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP] and the Site-Based Waiting List Procedure.	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
NA	Deconcentration Income Analysis	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
NA	Any policy governing occupancy of Police Officers and Over-Income Tenants in Public Housing. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A&O Policy.	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
NA	Public housing rent determination policies, including the method for setting public housing flat rents. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
NA	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies (if included in plan, not necessary as a supporting document) and written analysis of Section 8 payment standard policies. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
NA	Public housing management and maintenance policy documents, including policies for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (including cockroach infestation).	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
NA	Results of latest Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) Assessment (or other applicable assessment).	Annual Plan: Management and Operations
NA	Follow-up Plan to Results of the PHAS Resident Satisfaction Survey (if necessary)	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance and Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
X	Results of latest Section 8 Management Assessment System (SEMAP)	Annual Plan: Management and Operations
X	Any policies governing any Section 8 special housing types <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
NA	Public housing grievance procedures <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures

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Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
NA	The Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement /Performance and Evaluation Report for any active grant year.	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grants.	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans, or any other approved proposal for development of public housing.	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Self-evaluation, Needs Assessment and Transition Plan required by regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. See PIH Notice 99-52 (HA).	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing.	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
NA	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans).	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing
NA	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act, Section 22 of the US Housing Act of 1937, or Section 33 of the US Housing Act of 1937.	Annual Plan: Conversion of Public Housing
NA	Documentation for required Initial Assessment and any additional information required by HUD for Voluntary Conversion.	Annual Plan: Voluntary Conversion of Public Housing
NA	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans.	Annual Plan: Homeownership
NA	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program (Section _____ of the Section 8 Administrative Plan)	Annual Plan: Homeownership
NA	Public Housing Community Service Policy/Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in Public Housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	Cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency and between the PHA and local employment and training service agencies.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	FSS Action Plan(s) for public housing and/or Section 8.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	Section 3 documentation required by 24 CFR Part 135, Subpart E for public housing.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other resident services grant) grant program reports for public housing.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
NA	Policy on Ownership of Pets in Public Housing Family Developments (as required by regulation at 24 CFR Part 960, Subpart G). <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Annual Plan: Pet Policy
X	The results of the most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted under the Single Audit Act as implemented by OMB Circular A-133, the results of that audit and the PHA's response to any findings.	Annual Plan: Annual Audit
X	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary) Resident Member on the PHA Governing Board Membership of the Resident Advisory Board Definition of Substantial Deviation and Significant Amendment or Modification	(specify as needed) Annual Plan Annual Plan Annual Plan
NA	Consortium agreement(s) and for Consortium Joint PHA Plans <u>Only</u> : Certification that consortium agreement is in compliance with 24 CFR Part 943 pursuant to an opinion of counsel on file and available for inspection.	Joint Annual PHA Plan for Consortia: Agency Identification and Annual Management and Operations