

# PHA Plans

## Streamlined 5-Year/Annual Version

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This information collection is authorized by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, which added a new section 5A to the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 that introduced 5-year and annual PHA Plans. The full PHA plan provides a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA's mission and strategies for serving the needs of low-income and very low-income families. This form allows eligible PHAs to make a streamlined annual Plan submission to HUD consistent with HUD's efforts to provide regulatory relief to certain PHAs. Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 11.7 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not collect this information and respondents are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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# Streamlined 5-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2005 - 2009

## Streamlined Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2005

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## Streamlined Five-Year PHA Plan Agency Identification

**PHA Name:** Georgia Department of Community Affairs

**PHA Number:** GA 901

**PHA Fiscal Year Beginning:** (07/2005 )

**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 public housing units:

Number of S8 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:				

**Public Access to Information**

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

- X Main administrative office of the PHA
- X PHA development management offices
- X PHA local offices

**Display Locations For PHA Plans and Supporting Documents**

The PHA Plans and attachments (if any) are available for public inspection at: (select all that apply)

- X Main administrative office of the PHA
- X PHA development management offices
- X PHA local offices
- Main administrative office of the local government
- Main administrative office of the County government
- Main administrative office of the State government
- Public library
- X PHA website
- Other (list below)

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at: (select all that apply)

- X Main business office of the PHA

- PHA development management offices
- Other (list below)

## Streamlined Five-Year PHA Plan

### PHA FISCAL YEARS 2005- 2009

[24 CFR Part 903.12]

#### A. Mission

State the PHA's mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low income, and extremely low-income families in the PHA's jurisdiction. (select one of the choices below)

- The mission of the PHA is the same as that of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: To promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.
- The PHA's mission is: (state mission here)

#### B. Goals

The goals and objectives listed below are derived from HUD's strategic Goals and Objectives and those emphasized in recent legislation. PHAs may select any of these goals and objectives as their own, or identify other goals and/or objectives. Whether selecting the HUD-suggested objectives or their own, **PHAs ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES OF SUCCESS IN REACHING THEIR OBJECTIVES OVER THE COURSE OF THE 5 YEARS.** (Quantifiable measures would include targets such as: numbers of families served or PHAS scores achieved.) PHAs should identify these measures in the spaces to the right of or below the stated objectives.

#### **HUD Strategic Goal: Increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing.**

- PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing  
Objectives:
  - Apply for additional rental vouchers:
  - Reduce public housing vacancies:
  - Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing opportunities:
  - Acquire or build units or developments
  - Other (list below)
  
- PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing  
Objectives:
  - Improve public housing management: (PHAS score)
  - Improve voucher management: (SEMAP score)
  - Increase customer satisfaction:
  - Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions: (Program Compliance)
  - Renovate or modernize public housing units:
  - Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing:
  - Provide replacement public housing:
  - Provide replacement vouchers:

Other: (list below)

X PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices

Objectives:

X Provide voucher mobility counseling:

X Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords

Increase voucher payment standards

X Implement voucher homeownership program:

Implement public housing or other homeownership programs:

Implement public housing site-based waiting lists:

Convert public housing to vouchers:

X Other: Implement DCA/DHR Housing Initiative; Implement Project base vouchers(57) for women suffering from domestic violence, Continuation of Mainstream program, administer Enhanced Vouchers when made available

**HUD Strategic Goal: Improve community quality of life and economic vitality**

X PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment

Objectives:

Implement measures to deconcentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments:

Implement measures to promote income mixing in public housing by assuring access for lower income families into higher income developments:

Implement public housing security improvements:

Designate developments or buildings for particular resident groups (elderly, persons with disabilities

Other: (list below)

**HUD Strategic Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals**

X PHA Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households

Objectives:

Increase the number and percentage of employed persons in assisted families:

Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability:

X Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.

Other: (list below)

**HUD Strategic Goal: Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans**

X PHA Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing

Objectives:

- X Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:
- X Undertake affirmative measures to provide a suitable living environment for families living in assisted housing, regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:
- X Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all varieties of disabilities regardless of unit size required:
- Other: (list below)

**Other PHA Goals and Objectives: (list below)**

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is part of Georgia's comprehensive housing program administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). This is a tenant-based assistance program that assists low income individuals and families rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market. The program was created by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and is funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The goals of the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV) are to:

1. Provide improved living conditions for low income persons while maintaining their rent payments at an affordable level;
2. Promote freedom of housing choice and integrate lower income and minority persons into mainstream society;
3. Provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing for eligible participants; and
4. Provide an incentive to private property owners to rent to lower income persons by offering timely subsidy payments.

The Department of Community Affairs provides the subsidy payment directly to the landlord on behalf of the program participant. The amount of the subsidy is based primarily upon the participant's income. DCA administers the program in 149 of Georgia's 159 counties through five regional offices located around the State. The remaining 10 counties are served by their local housing authority.

**Housing Choice Voucher Program Funding**

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is funded totally by federal funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. No State appropriations are used in the administration of this program. Currently, the Program serves over 16,000 Georgia families and processes over 11,000 rental assistance checks per month, adding more than \$100 million to Georgia's economy each year.

The Housing Choice Voucher Program operates by providing direct subsidy rent payments to qualified landlords for tenants participating in the program. Program participants normally pay approximately 30 percent of their adjusted income toward rent. The landlord's subsidy is paid

monthly by the DCA and normally consists of the difference between the gross rent, which includes an allowance for tenant paid utilities, and 30 percent of the tenant's adjusted income.

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## **Streamlined Annual PHA Plan**

### **PHA Fiscal Year 2005**

[24 CFR Part 903.12(b)]

### **Table of Contents**

Provide the following table of contents for the streamlined Annual Plan submitted with the Five-Year Plan, including all streamlined plan components, and additional requirements, together with the list of supporting documents available for public inspection.

#### **A. ANNUAL STREAMLINED PHA PLAN COMPONENTS**

- X 1. Housing Needs
- X 2. Financial Resources
- X 3. Policies on Eligibility, Selection and Admissions
- X 4. Rent Determination Policies
- 5. Capital Improvements Needs
- 6. Demolition and Disposition
- X 7. Homeownership
- X 8. Civil Rights Certifications (included with PHA Certifications of Compliance)
- X 9. Additional Information
  - a. PHA Progress on Meeting 5-Year Mission and Goals
  - b. Criteria for Substantial Deviations and Significant Amendments
  - c. Other Information Requested by HUD
    - i. Resident Advisory Board Membership and Consultation Process
    - ii. Resident Membership on the PHA Governing Board
    - iii. PHA Statement of Consistency with Consolidated Plan
    - iv. (Reserved)
- X 10. Project-Based Voucher Program
- X 11. Supporting Documents Available for Review
- 12. FY 20\_\_ Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor, Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report
- 13. Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan
- 14. Other (List below, providing name for each item)

#### **B. SEPARATE HARD COPY SUBMISSIONS TO LOCAL HUD FIELD OFFICE**

**Form HUD-50077, PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations: Board Resolution to Accompany the Standard Annual, Standard Five-Year, and Streamlined Five-Year/Annual Plans;**  
**Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plan Consistency with Consolidated Plan.**  
For PHAs APPLYING FOR CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM (CFP) GRANTS:  
**Form HUD-50070, Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace;**  
**Form HUD-50071, Certification of Payments to Influence Federal Transactions;**  
**Form SF-LLL & SF-LLLa, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.**

**Executive Summary (optional)**

[903.7(r)]. If desired, provide a brief overview of the contents of the streamlined 5-Year/Annual Plan.

**1. Statement of Housing Needs** [24 CFR Part 903.12 (b), 903.7(a)]

**A. Housing Needs of Families on the Public Housing and Section 8 Tenant- Based Assistance Waiting Lists**

State the housing needs of the families on the PHA's waiting list/s. **Complete one table for each type of PHA-wide waiting list administered by the PHA.** PHA's may provide separate tables for site-based or sub-jurisdictional public housing waiting lists at their option.

Housing Needs of Families on the PHA's Waiting Lists			
Waiting list type: (select one)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 8 tenant-based assistance			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Combined Section 8 and Public Housing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)			
If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction:			
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	2610		2705
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	1741	66.7%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	379	14.5%	
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	44	1.7%	
Families with children	1755	67.2%	
Elderly families	318	12.2%	
Families with Disabilities	157	6.0%	
White	652	25.0%	
Black/African American	1958	75.0%	
Amer.Indian/Alaska Native	1	.03%	
Native Hawaiian	1	.03%	
Characteristics by Bedroom Size (Public Housing Only)			
1BR			
2 BR			
3 BR			
4 BR			
5 BR			
5+ BR			
Is the waiting list closed (select one)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
If yes:			
How long has it been closed (# of months)?			
Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed?			
<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			



## **B. Strategy for Addressing Needs**

Provide a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families on the PHA's public housing and Section 8 waiting lists **IN THE UPCOMING YEAR**, and the Agency's reasons for choosing this strategy.

It is DCA's objective to ensure that applicants are placed in the proper order on the waiting list so that an offer of assistance is not delayed or made prematurely. This chapter defines DCA's system for maintaining an accurate waiting list and selecting qualified families for rental assistance.

The pool of acceptable applications for each county within DCA's jurisdiction will be maintained as a waiting list in accordance with the following procedures:

1. Applications are accepted on a first come-first served basis only when the waiting list is open. (Exceptions may be required for special programs – see Chapter 21)
2. Applications will be maintained by date and time sequence.
3. All applicants must meet the income eligibility requirements as established by HUD in CFR 982.201(b)
4. DCA assigns a local preference to families who live or work in the county of application.
5. DCA may limit the number of applications accepted by both local preference families and non-local preference families.

DCA maintains a total of 149 waiting lists (one for each county in its jurisdiction). Subject to conditions, it is the DCA's policy to open each county waiting list at least once annually

In order to comply with the HUD requirement that 75% of DCA's new families entering the program have incomes at or below 30% of the area median income, DCA will establish a waiting list procedure that will first offer assistance to three families with income at the 30% level, before offering assistance to one family at the very-low 50% income level.

If at any time DCA is awarded HUD Vouchers that require a preference toward a particular group, in specific counties, DCA will first select families from the waiting list who qualify for the Local Preference; from that group, families that qualify for the Targeted Group Preference will be selected; then the statutory Income Targeted Preference will be applied.

If there are not enough qualified families on the waiting lists of the specific counties, the waiting lists will be opened only for those families who qualify for the special funding DCA's established ranking order of selection is based upon the date and time of application as follows:

1. The following targeted groups are considered as immediate handling:

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- Portability families
- Families identified for special program eligibility by HUD (i.e., Project Based, Mainstream, Fair Share, Prosperity Voucher, and Enhanced Voucher)

1. Local Residency Preference
2. Income Targeted –Three families with income at or below 30% of the area median income will be selected before one family with income at or below 50% of area median income.
4. Families that do not qualify for criteria identified above.

### **(1) Strategies**

**Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations**

**Strategy 1. Maximize the number of affordable units available to the PHA within its current resources by:**

Select all that apply

- Employ effective maintenance and management policies to minimize the number of public housing units off-line
- Reduce turnover time for vacated public housing units
- Reduce time to renovate public housing units
- Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance development
- Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8 replacement housing resources
- X Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction
- X Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required
- X Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration
- X Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program
- X Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies
- Other (list below)

**Strategy 2: Increase the number of affordable housing units by:**

Select all that apply

- X Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available
- Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of

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mixed - finance housing

- Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based assistance.
- Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 30% of median**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 30 % of AMI**

Select all that apply

- Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing
- Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in tenant-based section 8 assistance
- Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships
- Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 50% of median**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 50% of AMI**

Select all that apply

- Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working
- Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: The Elderly**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:**

Select all that apply

- Seek designation of public housing for the elderly
- X Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available
- Other: Establish preference for applicants 62 years old and older

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:**

Select all that apply

- Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities
- Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504 Needs Assessment for Public Housing
- X Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should

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- they become available
- Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities
- Other: (list below) Implement DCA/DHR Housing Initiative.

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs Housing Choice Voucher Program has set aside up to 400 housing choice vouchers for specific use by a unique and formally defined target consumer population. This is a service made possible by the combined resources of the Georgia DCA Community Services Division and by the Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR).

The set aside housing choice vouchers will be utilized for specific populations, which are to be identified and also defined solely by Georgia DHR. In this process, DHR agrees to initially screen their potential base of qualifying applicants for the most suitable referral candidates, based upon their knowledge of the families. Then, DHR shall provide their referral family names to DCA on the 1 "DCA Referral Form", after which DCA will then send out applications to the family's address, or to their caseworkers address, based upon the DHR request. Once the family completes and returns the application for rental assistance, DCA will then place them in an immediate use waiting list, which will be separate from the regular waiting list for the county in which they applied. DCA will then issue vouchers to families from that immediate use waiting list, allowing the families (along with supportive counseling from their caseworker) to conduct a 120-day housing search. Then, if the family and their caseworker return a completed inspection request form to the appropriate DCA Regional Office prior to the subsidy expiration date, DCA will inspect the unit. Like other Housing Choice Voucher families, DHR referral families participating within this group will be required to comply with all program responsibilities, and will be terminated if any program responsibilities are violated, just as are other families, with no special exception being given because the families are DHR referrals.

The DHR families will be recertified by DCA annually, including the briefing on program responsibilities, their household income, and their household composition. The participating DHR referral family's housing unit shall also be inspected for Housing Quality Standards (HQS) annually. DCA shall encourage and expect DHR staff, or one of their service provider agency staff, to be present at this annual appointment, and at others, if DCA staff requests their presence in anticipation of unique problems with the family. DHR shall have the right to recommend program termination of the referral family's DCA rental assistance at anytime during the year, however, if this termination results in an Informal Hearing, DCA shall have the right to request that a DHR staff member (knowledgeable with the individual family) be present to assist at the hearing preceding.

**Need: Specific Family Types: Races or ethnicities with disproportionate housing needs**

**Strategy 1: Increase awareness of PHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs:**

Select if applicable

- Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate housing needs
- Other: (list below)

**Strategy 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing**

Select all that apply

- Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units
- Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations
- Other: (list below)

**Other Housing Needs & Strategies: (list needs and strategies below)**

**(2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies**

Of the factors listed below, select all that influenced the PHA's selection of the strategies it will pursue:

- Funding constraints
- Staffing constraints
- Limited availability of sites for assisted housing
- Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community
- Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other information available to the PHA
- Influence of the housing market on PHA programs
- Community priorities regarding housing assistance
- Results of consultation with local or state government
- Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board
- Results of consultation with advocacy groups
- Other: (list below)

**2. Statement of Financial Resources**

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

List on the following table the financial resources that are anticipated to be available to the PHA for the support of Federal public housing and tenant-based Section 8 assistance programs administered by the PHA

during the Plan year. Note: the table assumes that Federal public housing or tenant based Section 8 assistance grant funds are expended on eligible purposes; therefore, uses of these funds need not be stated. For other funds, indicate the use for those funds as one of the following categories: public housing operations, public housing capital improvements, public housing safety/security, public housing supportive services, Section 8 tenant-based assistance, Section 8 supportive services or other.

<b>Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses</b>		
<b>Sources</b>	<b>Planned \$</b>	<b>Planned Uses</b>
<b>1. Federal Grants (FY 20__ grants)</b>		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund		
b) Public Housing Capital Fund		
c) HOPE VI Revitalization		
d) HOPE VI Demolition		
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	\$89,318,985	
f) Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Grants		
g) Community Development Block Grant		
h) HOME		
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
<b>2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)</b>		
<b>3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income</b>		
<b>4. Other income (list below)</b>		
<b>4. Non-federal sources (list below)</b>		
<b>Total resources</b>		

**3. PHA Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions**

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

**A. Public Housing**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete subcomponent 3A.

**(1) Eligibility**

a. When does the PHA verify eligibility for admission to public housing? (select all that

apply)

- When families are within a certain number of being offered a unit: (state number)
- When families are within a certain time of being offered a unit: (state time)
- Other: (describe)

b. Which non-income (screening) factors does the PHA use to establish eligibility for admission to public housing (select all that apply)?

- Criminal or Drug-related activity
- Rental history
- Housekeeping
- Other (describe)

c.  Yes  No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

d.  Yes  No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

e.  Yes  No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)

## **(2) Waiting List Organization**

a. Which methods does the PHA plan to use to organize its public housing waiting list (select all that apply)

- Community-wide list
- Sub-jurisdictional lists
- Site-based waiting lists
- Other (describe)

b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?

- PHA main administrative office
- PHA development site management office
- Other (list below)

c. 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 d.

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:

d. 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 subsection (3) **Assignment**

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)



**(3) Assignment**

a. How many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are removed from the waiting list? (select one)

- One
- Two
- Three or More

b.  Yes  No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?

c. If answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA:

**(4) Admissions Preferences**

a. Income targeting:

Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% of all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Transfer policies:

In what circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below)

- Emergencies
- Over-housed
- Under-housed
- Medical justification
- Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)
- Resident choice: (state circumstances below)
- Other: (list below)

c. Preferences

1.  Yes  No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public housing (other than date and time of application)? (If "no" is selected, skip to subsection **(5) Occupancy**)

2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)

Former Federal preferences:

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing

- Homelessness
- High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)

Other preferences: (select below)

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) (list below)

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.

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Former Federal preferences:

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing
- Homelessness
- High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- X Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- X Other preference(s) Elderly

4. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements:

- The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
- Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

**(5) Occupancy**

a. What reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the rules of occupancy of public housing (select all that apply)

- The PHA-resident lease
- The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy
- PHA briefing seminars or written materials
- Other source (list)

b. How often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition? (select all that apply)

- At an annual reexamination and lease renewal
- Any time family composition changes
- At family request for revision
- Other (list)

**(6) Deconcentration and Income Mixing**

a.  Yes  No: Does the PHA have any general occupancy (family) public housing developments covered by the deconcentration rule? If no, this section is complete. If yes, continue to the next question.

b.  Yes  No: Do any of these covered developments have average incomes above or below 85% to 115% of the average incomes of all such developments? If no, this section is complete. If yes, list these developments on the following table:

Deconcentration Policy for Covered Developments			
Development Name	Number of Units	Explanation (if any) [see step 4 at §903.2(c)(1)(iv)]	Deconcentration policy (if no explanation) [see step 5 at §903.2(c)(1)(v)]

**B. Section 8**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete sub-component 3B. Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).

**(1) Eligibility**

a. What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply)

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- Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation  
 Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or regulation  
 More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors):  
 Other (list below)

- b.  Yes  No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- c.  Yes  No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- d.  Yes  No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
- e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply)  
 Criminal or drug-related activity  
 Other (describe below) Rental history

### **(2) Waiting List Organization**

- a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting list merged? (select all that apply)  
 None  
 Federal public housing  
 Federal moderate rehabilitation  
 Federal project-based certificate program  
 Other federal or local program (list below)
- b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (select all that apply)  
 PHA main administrative office  
 Other Phone lottery; identified county locations, Regional Offices

### **(3) Search Time**

- a.  Yes  No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?  
If yes, state circumstances below: Elderly, Portability, Reasonable Accommodations

### **(4) Admissions Preferences**

- a. Income targeting

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Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Preferences

1.  Yes  No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent **(5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs**)

2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)

Former Federal preferences

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing
- Homelessness
- High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) Elderly

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.

Date and Time

Former Federal preferences:

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing

- Homelessness
- High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- X Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- X Other preference(s): Elderly

4. Among applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants selected? (select one)

- X Date and time of application
- Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique

5. If the PHA plans to employ preferences for "residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction" (select one)

- X This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD
- The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan

6. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one)

- The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
- X Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

#### **(5) Special Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs**

a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility, selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the PHA contained? (select all that apply)

- X The Section 8 Administrative Plan
- Briefing sessions and written materials
- Other (list below)

b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?

- X Through published notices
- X Other In corroboration with other State Agencies

#### **4. PHA Rent Determination Policies**

## A. Public Housing

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete sub-component 4A.

### (1) Income Based Rent Policies

Describe the PHA's income based rent setting policy/ies for public housing using, including discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income disregards and exclusions, in the appropriate spaces below.

a. Use of discretionary policies: (select one of the following two)

- The PHA will not employ any discretionary rent-setting policies for income-based rent in public housing. Income-based rents are set at the higher of 30% of adjusted monthly income, 10% of unadjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or minimum rent (less HUD mandatory deductions and exclusions). (If selected, skip to sub-component (2))
- The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining income-based rent (If selected, continue to question b.)

b. Minimum Rent

1. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- \$0  
 \$1-\$25  
 \$26-\$50

2.  Yes  No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies?

3. If yes to question 2, list these policies below:

c. Rents set at less than 30% of adjusted income

1.  Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fixed amount or percentage less than 30% of adjusted income?

2. If yes to above, list the amounts or percentages charged and the circumstances under which these will be used below:

d. Which of the discretionary (optional) deductions and/or exclusions policies does the PHA plan to employ (select all that apply)

- For the earned income of a previously unemployed household member  
 For increases in earned income

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- Fixed amount (other than general rent-setting policy)  
If yes, state amount/s and circumstances below:
  
- Fixed percentage (other than general rent-setting policy)  
If yes, state percentage/s and circumstances below:
  
- For household heads
- For other family members
- For transportation expenses
- For the non-reimbursed medical expenses of non-disabled or non-elderly families
- Other (describe below)

e. Ceiling rents

1. Do you have ceiling rents? (rents set at a level lower than 30% of adjusted income)  
(select one)

- Yes for all developments
- Yes but only for some developments
- No

2. For which kinds of developments are ceiling rents in place? (select all that apply)

- For all developments
- For all general occupancy developments (not elderly or disabled or elderly only)
- For specified general occupancy developments
- For certain parts of developments; e.g., the high-rise portion
- For certain size units; e.g., larger bedroom sizes
- Other (list below)

3. Select the space or spaces that best describe how you arrive at ceiling rents (select all that apply)

- Market comparability study
- Fair market rents (FMR)
- 95<sup>th</sup> percentile rents
- 75 percent of operating costs
- 100 percent of operating costs for general occupancy (family) developments
- Operating costs plus debt service
- The "rental value" of the unit
- Other (list below)

f. Rent re-determinations:

1. Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or



family composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent?  
(select all that apply)

- Never
- At family option
- Any time the family experiences an income increase
- Any time a family experiences an income increase above a threshold amount or percentage: (if selected, specify threshold) \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (list below)

g.  Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to implement individual savings accounts for residents (ISAs) as an alternative to the required 12 month disallowance of earned income and phasing in of rent increases in the next year?

## **(2) Flat Rents**

a. In setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use to establish comparability? (select all that apply.)

- The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing
- Survey of rents listed in local newspaper
- Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood
- Other (list/describe below)

## **B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer Section 8 tenant-based assistance are not required to complete sub-component 4B. **Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).**

### **(1) Payment Standards**

Describe the voucher payment standards and policies.

a. What is the PHA's payment standard? (select the category that best describes your standard)

- At or above 90% but below 100% of FMR
- 100% of FMR
- Above 100% but at or below 110% of FMR
- Above 110% of FMR (if HUD approved; describe circumstances below)
- X Between 90 % & 110%

b. If the payment standard is lower than FMR, why has the PHA selected this standard?  
(select all that apply)

- FMRs are adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's

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- segment of the FMR area
- The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment standard
- X Reflects market or submarket
- X Other: Due to HUD Budgetary constraints, PHA had to adjust Payment Standards accordingly

c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level?  
(select all that apply)

- FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
- Reflects market or submarket
- To increase housing options for families
- Other (list below)

d. How often are payment standards reevaluated for adequacy? (select one)

- X Annually
- Other (list below)

e. What factors will the PHA consider in its assessment of the adequacy of its payment standard? (select all that apply)

- X Success rates of assisted families
- X Rent burdens of assisted families
- X Other : Due to HUD Budgetary constraints PHA had to adjust Payment Standards accordingly

## **(2) Minimum Rent**

a. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- \$0
- \$1-\$25
- X \$26-\$50

b.  Yes X No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? (if yes, list below)

## **5. Capital Improvement Needs**

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

Exemptions from Component 5: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component and may skip to Component 6.

### **A. Capital Fund Activities**

Exemptions from sub-component 5A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may skip to component 5B. All other PHAs must complete 5A as instructed.

### (1) Capital Fund Program

- a.  Yes  No Does the PHA plan to participate in the Capital Fund Program in the upcoming year? If yes, complete items 12 and 13 of this template (Capital Fund Program tables). If no, skip to B.
- b.  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 of sub-component 5B: 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.

### (1) Hope VI Revitalization

- a.  Yes  No: Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to next component; if yes, provide responses to questions on chart below for each grant, copying and completing as many times as necessary)
- b. Status of HOPE VI revitalization grant (complete one set of questions for each grant)  
Development name:  
Development (project) number:  
Status of grant: (select the statement that best describes the current status)  
 Revitalization Plan under development  
 Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval  
 Revitalization Plan approved  
 Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway
- c.  Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year? If yes, list development name/s below:

- d.  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:
- e.  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:

### **6. Demolition and Disposition**

[24 CFR Part 903.12(b), 903.7 (h)]

Applicability of component 6: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

- a.  Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to conduct any demolition or disposition activities (pursuant to section 18 or 24 (Hope VI) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437p) or Section 202/Section 33 (Mandatory Conversion) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If "No", skip to component 7; if "yes", complete one activity description for each development on the following chart.)

<b>Demolition/Disposition Activity Description</b>
1a. Development name: 1b. Development (project) number:
2. Activity type: Demolition <input type="checkbox"/> Disposition <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Application status (select one) Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. Number of units affected: 6. Coverage of action (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development
7. Timeline for activity: a. Actual or projected start date of activity: b. Projected end date of activity:

### **7. Section 8 Tenant Based Assistance--Section 8(y) Homeownership Program**

[24 CFR Part 903.12(b), 903.7(k)(1)(i)]

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- (1) X 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**

- 1) DCA will operate a Section 8/Homeownership program pursuant to 24 CFR 982.625 in order to expand homeownership opportunities to households that receive Section 8 Rental Assistance in which the head of household, spouse or dependant is disabled. The program will enable an eligible household to purchase a home utilizing the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) as income for the purpose of qualifying for a mortgage loan.
- 2) A minimum down payment of at least three (3) percent of the purchase price is required and at least 1% of the purchase price must come from the family’s personal resources.
- 3) The DCA requires that financing for purchase of a home under its Section 8 homeownership program:
  - (1) Be provided, insured, or guaranteed by the state or Federal government;
  - (2) Comply with secondary mortgage market underwriting requirements; or,
  - (3) Comply with generally accepted private sector underwriting standards.

**B. Eligible Applicants**

(1.) A Household receiving Section 8 Rental Assistance and that has a household member with a qualified disability, as determined by DCA Section 8 guidelines, will meet the immediate threshold for participating in the program.

A qualified disability will be determined in all cases by the applicant’s ability to demonstrate current designation by the U.S. Social Security Administration as an individual or other household member receiving benefits through the SSI or the SSDI programs. The Social Security Administration broadly defines a disability as “the inability to do any kind of substantial gainful work because of a physical or mental impairment (or combination of impairments) which is expected to last at least 12 months or end in death.”

(2.) Additionally, the household must meet each of the following guidelines:

- Must currently be receiving from DCA and have received Section 8 Rental Assistance from a DCA for the past two years.
- Must have a minimum annual household income of \$10,300 (not including any welfare assistance).
- Must be a first-time homebuyer as defined by HUD.

**C. Initial Requirements**

Before commencing homeownership assistance for a family, the DCA will determine that all of the following initial requirements have been satisfied:

- 1) The family is qualified to receive homeownership assistance,
- 2) The unit is eligible, and
- 3) The family has satisfactorily completed the DCA program of required pre-assistance homeownership counseling.

#### **D. Eligible Units**

- 1) The DCA must determine that the unit satisfies all of the following requirements:
  - i. The unit is eligible;
  - ii. The unit was either under construction or already existing at the time DCA determined that the family was eligible for homeownership assistance to purchase the unit;
  - iii. The unit is either a one-unit property or a single dwelling unit in a cooperative or condominium;
  - iv. The unit has been inspected by a DCA inspector and by an independent inspector designated by the family.; and
  - v. The unit satisfies the HQS
  
- 1) DCA may not commence homeownership assistance for occupancy of a home if it has been informed (by HUD or otherwise) that the seller of the home is debarred, suspended, or subject to a limited denial of participation.

#### **E. Home Inspections and Contract of Sale**

1. DCA shall not commence homeownership assistance for a family unit until DCA has inspected the unit and has determined that the unit passes HQS.
2. An independent professional inspector selected by and paid for by the family must also inspect the unit. The independent inspection must cover major building systems and components, including foundation and structure, housing interior and exterior, and the roofing, plumbing, electrical, and heating systems. The independent inspector must be qualified to report on property conditions, including major building systems and components.
3. The independent inspector must provide a copy of the inspection report both to the family and to DCA. DCA may not commence homeownership assistance for the family until DCA has reviewed the inspection report of the independent inspector. Even if the unit otherwise complies with the HQS (and may qualify for assistance under the DCA's tenant -based rental voucher program), DCA shall have discretion to disapprove the unit for assistance under the homeownership option because of information in the inspection report.

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4. Before commencement of homeownership assistance, a member or members of the family must enter into a contract of sale with the seller of the unit to be acquired by the family. The family must give DCA a copy if the contract of sale. The contract of sale must:
  - (1) Specify the price and other terms of sale by the seller to the purchaser;
  - (2) Provide that the purchaser will arrange for a pre-purchase inspection of the dwelling unit by an independent inspector selected by the purchaser;
  - (3) Provide that the purchaser is not obligated to purchase the unit unless the inspection is satisfactory to the purchaser;
  - (4) Provide that the purchaser is not obligated to pay for any necessary repairs; and
  - (5) Contain a certification from the seller that the seller has not been debarred, suspended, or subject to a limited denial of participation under part 24 of this title.

**a. Financing purchase of a home; affordability of purchase**

1.) Households will secure their own financing through one of DCA's approved lenders. The household will seek credit pre-approval from the lender prior to contacting a real estate professional and searching for a home. Lenders will credit underwrite and qualify the household in accordance with FHA guidelines. The lender will pre-approve the household, taking into consideration their monthly housing assistance payment (HAP).

2) The terms and conditions for financing a loan will be in accordance with Homebuyer and OwnHOME program guidelines. However, the following additional guidelines have been implemented to ensure quality and affordability for households participating in the Home at Last (HAL) pilot program:

- (a) The loans will be uninsured but written to correspond with FHA underwriting guidelines;
- (b) The household will be required to make a down payment of 1% of the purchase price from their personal resources, which may include gift or grant funds;
- (c) The first mortgage will be a DCA Home Buyer program loan. Home Buyer loans are 30-year fixed rate, below market interest rate mortgages;
- (d) The second mortgage will be an enhanced version of DCA's OwnHOME loan; and
- (e) DCA requires a 20% down payment for participation in the HAL pilot program. The OwnHOME loan will provide up to \$20,000 for down payment and cover a portion of the closing costs and pre-paid items associated with the home purchase. However, if the down payment plus closing costs and/or pre-paid items exceed \$20,000, then the household is responsible for the difference.

**b. Continued assistance requirements; Family obligations**

- 1) Homeownership assistance may only be paid while the family is residing in the home. If the family moves out of the home, the DCA may not continue homeownership assistance after the

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month when the family moves out. The family or lender is not required to refund to the DCA the homeownership assistance for the month when the family moves out.

- 2) The family must comply with the following obligations:
  - a) The family must attend and complete post-purchase homeownership and housing counseling.
  - b) The family must comply with the terms of any mortgage securing debt incurred to purchase the home (or any refinancing of such debt.)
  - c) The family must notify the DCA before the family moves out of the home.
  - d) The family must notify the DCA if the family defaults on a mortgage securing any debt incurred to purchase the home.
  - e) During the time the family receives homeownership assistance under this subpart, no family member may have any ownership interest in any other residential property.
  - f) Before commencement of homeownership assistance, the family must execute a statement of family obligations in the form prescribed by HUD. In the statement, the family agrees to comply with all family obligations under the homeownership program.

**c. Maximum term of Homeownership Assistance**

- 1) Section 8 homeownership assistance may only be paid for a maximum period of 30 years for those households with a head of household or their spouse qualifying as disabled. All other households will receive the Section 8 homeownership assistance for a maximum period of 15 years. The maximum term for homeownership assistance applies to any member of the household who has an ownership interest in the property during any time that homeownership payments are made.
- 2.) If during the course of homeownership assistance, a household, qualifying for the 30-year HAP assistance ceases to qualify as disabled, such as the demise of the disabled spouse, the maximum term of the HAP assistance becomes 15 years applicable from the date homeownership assistance commenced. However, a household must be provided at least 6 months of homeownership assistance after the maximum term becomes applicable (provided the household is otherwise eligible to receive Section 8 homeownership assistance).

**a. Size of Program**

X 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?10-20

**b. PHA-established eligibility criteria**

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



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If yes, list criteria below:

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

### **(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):

- a.  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.
- b.  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.
- c.  Partnering with a qualified agency or agencies to administer the program (list name(s) and years of experience below).
- d.  Demonstrating that it has other relevant experience (list experience below). Refer to aforementioned program description listed above in 2-c

## **8. Civil Rights Certifications**

[24 CFR Part 903.12 (b), 903.7 (o)]

Civil rights certifications are included in the *PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations: Board Resolution to Accompany the Standard Annual, Standard Five-Year, and Streamlined Five-Year/Annual Plans*, which is submitted to the Field Office in hard copy—see Table of Contents.

## **9. Additional Information**

[24 CFR Part 903.12 (b), 903.7 (r)]

### **A. PHA Progress in Meeting the Mission and Goals Described in the 5-Year Plan**

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs has fostered and maintained a cooperative relationship with the Georgia Department of Human Resources and the Georgia Department of Labor to ensure that the supportive housing programs of the Department are working in concert with the state's welfare reform strategies.

## **B. Criteria for Substantial Deviations and Significant Amendments**

### **(1) Amendment and Deviation Definitions**

24 CFR Part 903.7(r)

PHAs are required to define and adopt their own standards of substantial deviation from the 5-year Plan and Significant Amendment to the Annual Plan. The definition of significant amendment is important because it defines when the PHA will subject a change to the policies or activities described in the Annual Plan to full public hearing and HUD review before implementation.

a. Substantial Deviation from the 5-Year Plan

b. Significant Amendment or Modification to the Annual Plan  
Resolution by Board to accept changes to Annual Plan

## **C. Other Information**

[24 CFR Part 903.13, 903.15]

### **(1) Resident Advisory Board Recommendations**

a.  Yes  No: Did the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s?

If yes, provide the comments below:

b. In what manner did the PHA address those comments? (select all that apply)

Considered comments, but determined that no changes to the PHA Plan were necessary.

The PHA changed portions of the PHA Plan in response to comments  
List changes below:

Other: (list below)

### **(2) Resident Membership on PHA Governing Board**

The governing board of each PHA is required to have at least one member who is directly assisted by the PHA, unless the PHA meets certain exemption criteria. Regulations governing the resident board member are found at 24 CFR Part 964, Subpart E.

a. Does the PHA governing board include at least one member who is directly assisted by the PHA this year?

Yes  No:

If yes, complete the following:

Name of Resident Member of the PHA Governing Board:

Method of Selection:

Appointment  
**The term of appointment is (include the date term expires):**

Election by Residents (if checked, complete next section--Description of Resident Election Process)

**Description of Resident Election Process**

Nomination of candidates for place on the ballot: (select all that apply)

- Candidates were nominated by resident and assisted family organizations
- Candidates could be nominated by any adult recipient of PHA assistance
- Self-nomination: Candidates registered with the PHA and requested a place on ballot
- X Other: Selected by PHA staff

Eligible candidates: (select one)

- X Any recipient of PHA assistance
- Any head of household receiving PHA assistance
- Any adult recipient of PHA assistance
- Any adult member of a resident or assisted family organization
- Other (list)

Eligible voters: (select all that apply)

- All adult recipients of PHA assistance (public housing and section 8 tenant-based assistance)
- Representatives of all PHA resident and assisted family organizations
- Other (list)

b. If the PHA governing board does not have at least one member who is directly assisted by the PHA, why not?

- X The PHA is located in a State that requires the members of a governing board to be salaried and serve on a full time basis
- X The PHA has less than 300 public housing units, has provided reasonable notice to the resident advisory board of the opportunity to serve on the governing board, and has not been notified by any resident of their interest to participate in the Board.
- Other (explain):

Date of next term expiration of a governing board member:

Name and title of appointing official(s) for governing board (indicate appointing official for the next available position):

**(3) 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). Consolidated plan is attached

**Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: (provide name here)**

a. 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):

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

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

**(4) (Reserved)**

Use this section to provide any additional information requested by HUD.

**10. Project-Based Voucher Program**

a. X Yes  No: Does the PHA plan to “project-base” any tenant-based Section 8 vouchers in the coming year? If yes, answer the following questions.

b. X 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
- X Other (describe below:): To assist Special Needs population

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

- 1) 20 units in Cuthbert Georgia
- 2) 57 units in Canton Georgia

### 11. List of Supporting Documents Available for Review for Streamlined Five-Year/ 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
X	<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>	Standard 5 Year and Annual Plans; streamlined 5 Year Plans
	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	5 Year Plans
	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
	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources
	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
	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
	Public housing rent determination policies, including the method for setting public	Annual Plan: Rent

<b>List of Supporting Documents Available for Review</b>		
<b>Applicable &amp; On Display</b>	<b>Supporting Document</b>	<b>Related Plan Component</b>
	housing flat rents. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Determination
	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 type="checkbox"/> Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
	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
	Results of latest Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) Assessment (or other applicable assessment).	Annual Plan: Management and Operations
	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 Xcheck here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
	Consortium agreement(s).	Annual Plan: Agency Identification and Operations/ Management
	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. X Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
	The Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement /Performance and Evaluation Report for any active grant year.	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grants.	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	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
	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
	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing.	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans).	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing
	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
	Documentation for required Initial Assessment and any additional information required by HUD for Voluntary Conversion.	Annual Plan: Voluntary Conversion of Public Housing
	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans.	Annual Plan: Homeownership
X	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program (Section 24 of the Section 8 Administrative Plan)	Annual Plan: Homeownership
	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
	Cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency and between the	Annual Plan: Community

<b>List of Supporting Documents Available for Review</b>		
<b>Applicable &amp; On Display</b>	<b>Supporting Document</b>	<b>Related Plan Component</b>
	PHA and local employment and training service agencies.	Service & Self-Sufficiency
X	FSS Action Plan(s) for public housing and/or Section 8.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
	Section 3 documentation required by 24 CFR Part 135, Subpart E for public housing.	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
	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
	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.	Pet Policy
	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
	Consortium agreement(s), if a consortium administers PHA programs.	Joint PHA Plan for Consortia
	Consortia Joint PHA Plans ONLY: 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 PHA Plan for Consortia
	Other supporting documents (optional). List individually.	(Specify as needed)

**12. Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report**

<b>Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report</b>					
<b>Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF) Part I: Summary</b>					
<b>PHA Name:</b>		<b>Grant Type and Number</b> Capital Fund Program Grant No: Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:			<b>Federal FY of Grant:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Original Annual Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve for Disasters/ Emergencies <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Annual Statement (revision no: ) <input type="checkbox"/> Performance and Evaluation Report for Period Ending: <input type="checkbox"/> Final Performance and Evaluation Report					
Line	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost		Total Actual Cost	
		Original	Revised	Obligated	Expended
1	Total non-CFP Funds				
2	1406 Operations				
3	1408 Management Improvements				
4	1410 Administration				
5	1411 Audit				
6	1415 Liquidated Damages				
7	1430 Fees and Costs				
8	1440 Site Acquisition				
9	1450 Site Improvement				
10	1460 Dwelling Structures				
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment—Nonexpendable				
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures				
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment				
14	1485 Demolition				
15	1490 Replacement Reserve				
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration				
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs				
18	1499 Development Activities				
19	1501 Collateralization or Debt Service				
20	1502 Contingency				
21	Amount of Annual Grant: (sum of lines 2 – 20)				
22	Amount of line 21 Related to LBP Activities				
23	Amount of line 21 Related to Section 504 compliance				
24	Amount of line 21 Related to Security – Soft Costs				
25	Amount of Line 21 Related to Security – Hard Costs				
26	Amount of line 21 Related to Energy Conservation Measures				







### **13. Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan**

<b>Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan</b>					
<b>Part I: Summary</b>					
PHA Name				<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Original 5-Year Plan</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Revision No:</b>	
Development Number/Name/HA-Wide	Year 1	Work Statement for Year 2 FFY Grant: PHA FY:	Work Statement for Year 3 FFY Grant: PHA FY:	Work Statement for Year 4 FFY Grant: PHA FY:	Work Statement for Year 5 FFY Grant: PHA FY:
	Annual Statement				
CFP Funds Listed for 5-year planning					
Replacement Housing Factor Funds					

**13. Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan**

<b>Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan</b>						
<b>Part II: Supporting Pages—Work Activities</b>						
Activities for Year 1	Activities for Year : ____ FFY Grant: PHA FY:			Activities for Year: ____ FFY Grant: PHA FY:		
	<b>Development Name/Number</b>	<b>Major Work Categories</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>Development Name/Number</b>	<b>Major Work Categories</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>
<b>See</b>						
<b>Annual</b>						
<b>Statement</b>						
<b>Total CFP Estimated Cost</b>			\$			\$

