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Streamlined Annual PHA Plan

for Fiscal Year: 2007-2008

PHA Name: Westland Housing Commission

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: Westland Housing Commission **PHA Number: MI139**

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: 07/2007

PHA Programs Administered:

☐ **Public Housing and Section 8**

Number of public housing units:
Number of S8 units:

☒ **Section 8 Only**

Number of S8 units:
1,090

☐ **Public Housing Only**

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 2007-08
[24 CFR Part 903.12(c)]

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[24 CFR 903.7(r)]

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- ☐ 2. Capital Improvement Needs
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- ☒ 4. Project-Based Voucher Programs
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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.

C. ATTACHMENT

Implementation of the Violence Against Women Act of 2005

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 to WHC.

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.

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: ☐ Revitalization Plan under development ☐ Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval ☐ Revitalization Plan approved ☐ 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:)

The Westland Housing Commission has established a goal of promoting independent living among its elderly population. The WHC supports that objective and has determined that it could materially affect the lives of 40-80 elderly households utilizing project based Section 8 vouchers and Medicaid waivers. The combining of Section 8 Vouchers and Medicaid is a cost effective way to address the needs of frail elderly. Revisions have been incorporated into the Section 8 Administrative Plan and have been reviewed and approved by HUD. The WHC is also considering a project based program for veterans which could assist approximately 20 veterans with Vouchers.

2. Indicate the number of units and general location of units (e.g. eligible census tracts or smaller areas within eligible census tracts): 100 assisted units in Westland, census tracks: 5658, 5654, 5652, 5659, 5680, 5651

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: City of Westland, Michigan

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)
The WHC will continue to provide Section 8 Tenant Based Voucher assistance throughout the community consistent with the CDBG Consolidated Plan. The Vouchers will be allocated to eligible low income families consistent with the Consolidated Plan.
- ☐ Other: (list below)

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

- City of Westland Consolidated Plan data, including housing, income and demographics and CDBG/HOME activity data were utilized in the development of the Agency Plan.
- The City of Westland Housing and Community Development offices and program activities are coordinated with common office space and staff. The Executive Director is responsible for all housing and community development programs within Westland.
- The City of Westland has promoted the development of new low income housing through the HOME Partnership Program, LIHTC and Section 202 elderly housing program.
- The City of Westland has enacted ordinances and policies to further fair housing within Westland. Westland has a contract with the Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit to provide

educational programs and assist with furthering fair housing laws within the community.

- The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing has been updated and implemented by the Westland Housing Commission.
- The City of Westland Consolidated Plan has been tailored to allocate federal CDBG and HOME funding to coordinate and improve the quality and supply of affordable housing throughout Westland.

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
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>	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
X	<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. ☐ 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. ☐ 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. ☐ 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. ☐ 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	Annual Plan: Management

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Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
	other applicable assessment).	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 ☒ Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
NA	Public housing grievance procedures ☐ Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures. ☒ Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
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 ☐ 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
X	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). ☐ 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
NA	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	(specify as needed)

PHA Name:
HA Code:

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List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
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

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

Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report					
Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF) Part I: Summary					
PHA Name: <i>NOT APPLICABLE TO WESTLAND HOUSING COMMISSION</i>			Grant Type and Number Capital Fund Program Grant No: Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:		Federal FY of Grant:
☐ Original Annual Statement ☐ Reserve for Disasters/ Emergencies ☐ Revised Annual Statement (revision no:)					
☐ Performance and Evaluation Report for Period Ending: ☐ Final Performance and Evaluation Report					
Line No.	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				

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

**Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report
Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF)
Part II: Supporting Pages**

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8. Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan

Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan					
Part I: Summary					
PHA Name				☐ Original 5-Year Plan ☐ Revision No:	
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					

8. Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan

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

8. Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan

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

ATTACHMENT

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT OF 2005

The Westland Housing Commission remains committed to the implementation of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) of 2005 and will continue to undertake various actions in this regard. All program administrators have become familiar with the provisions and requirements of the Act and the measures instituted by the Westland Housing Commission in order to further the intent of VAWA.

To date the following have been implemented:

- The Section 8 Existing Housing Administrative Plan of the Westland Housing Commission was amended in November 2006 to add *Appendix K Violence Against Women Act*. This new section of the Commission's Administrative Plan establishes procedures compliant with VAWA to protect the rights of victims as they relate to assistance provided by the Westland Housing Commission.
- All landlords/owners participating in any programs of the Westland Housing Commission were notified of the rights of participants and their obligations under VAWA by a notice mailed with their December 2006 checks.
- All participants of programs administered by the Westland Housing Commission are being notified of their rights under VAWA by notice being mailed with their annual recertification paperwork. These mailings began in November 2006 for the March 2007 annuals and will be completed in October 2007 with the February 2008 annuals.
- The new HAP Contract (form HUD-52641) reflecting provisions of VAWA is currently being used in programs administered by the Westland Housing Commission.

In addition to the actions listed above, the City of Westland's Community Development Block Grant Program has an annual contract for service with First Step, the area's social service agency dedicated to assisting victims of domestic violence and their children. This agency also offers temporary housing/shelter services to victims of domestic violence and their children. The programs of the Westland Housing Commission and the Community Development Block Grant Program are administered in the same physical location which makes the referral of Housing Commission Program victims of domestic abuse to this agency both expeditious and efficacious.

It is anticipated that all actions required of the Westland Housing to implement the provisions of the Violence Against Women Act of 2005 will be completed by November 2007.