

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 2008

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. Full reporting for each component listed in the streamlined Annual Plan submitted with the 5-year plan is required.

Streamlined Five-Year PHA Plan

Agency Identification

PHA Name: Pulaski County Housing Agency

PHA Number: AR252

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: (01/2008)

PHA Programs Administered:

Public Housing and Section 8 Section 8 Only Public Housing Only

Number of public housing units:

301 Units

Number of public housing units:

Number of S8 units:

Public Access to Information

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

- Main administrative office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- 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)

- Main administrative office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- 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
- PHA website
- Other (list below)

Main Administrative Office of the Pulaski County Administrative Office

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at:

- Main business office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices

Streamlined Five-Year PHA Plan
Annual Plan Year 2008
PHA FISCAL YEARS 2005- 2009
[24 CFR Part 903.12]

A. Mission

- 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.
- X** The PHA's mission is:
The Pulaski County Housing Agency will promote clean, safe and affordable housing; provide a suitable living environment without discrimination, and help promote the quality of life by supporting opportunities for economic independence for low income families within Pulaski County. This mission shall be accomplished by a fiscally responsible creative organization committed to excellence public service.

B. Goals

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

- X** PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing
Objectives:
- Reduce public housing vacancies:
 - X** **Leverage private or other public funds such as HOME Funds to create additional housing opportunities in Pulaski County:**
 - Acquire or build units or developments
 - X** Other :
Move approximately 75 people off the current waiting list through offering of aHCV to increase lease up rates.
- X** PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing
Objectives:
- Improve public housing management: (PHAS score)
 - X** Improve voucher management: **Obtain maximum scoring on SEMAP Indicators 9, 10, and 12.**
 - X** Increase customer satisfaction:

- Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions: Efforts to Improve Effective Communication of Regulations to decrease HCV Assistance Terminations, Voucher Unit Inspections.
 - Renovate or modernize public housing units:
 - Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing:
 - Provide replacement public housing:
 - Provide replacement vouchers:
 - Other:
 - (1) **Conduct Bi-Annual Landlord Meetings**
- X** PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices
- Objectives:
- Provide voucher Portability Counseling in all Voucher Briefings.
 - Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords
 - Increase voucher payment standards to 110% of Fair Market
 - Implement voucher homeownership program:
 - .
 - Other:
 - (1) **Attract 50 New Properties to the Section 8 Program by 12/31/2008.**
 - .
- X** PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment
- Objectives:
- Implement measures to de-concentrate 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:
 - (1) **Partner with Utility Service Companies to reduce instances of disconnection of utility services to assisted units.**
 - (2) **Partner with Local Law Enforcement Agencies, Neighborhood Associations and Community Organizations to insure that all units are safe and secure.**

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 by 50% over the next five years.

- Partner with Community Service Agencies to offer supportive services to program participants in the areas of jobs skills assessments, and employability training.
- Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.
- Other:
 - (1) **Develop strategies to inform and encourage Tenants to participate in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program.**
 - (2) **Seek additional private and public funding for the FSS program. Market the FSS Program in local media outlets.**
 - (3) **Encourage Home Ownership Goal achievement for Section 8 FSS Participants.**

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

- PHA Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing Objectives:
 - Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability by maintaining the Section 8 Waiting List in accordance with HUD guidelines.
 - 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:
 - Other:

Other PHA Goals and Objectives:

- GOAL ONE: Increase the range and quality of housing choices available to participants in the Pulaski County Housing Agency’s Section 8 Program.**
- Objective #1: Attract 50 new properties to the Section 8 Program.**
 - Objective #2: Maintain at least a 97% lease-up rate.**
 - Objective #3: Obtain Maximum Points on SEMPA Indicators 9, 10, & 12.**
 - Objective #4: Enroll 5 FSS Participants in the Pulaski County Section 8 Home Ownership thereby completing their goals through the purchase of a home in FY 2008. Apply for funding for a Section 8 Homeownership Program and Program Coordinator.**

GOAL TWO: Manage the Pulaski County Housing Agency’s Section 8 HCV Program in an efficient and effective manner thereby qualifying the PHA as at a minimum a “standard performer”.

- Objective #1: HUD shall recognize PCHA as a HIGH performer by 12/31/08.**
- Objective #2: PCHA shall make the Section 8 Program marketable to the Community.**
- Objective #3: PCHA shall promote a motivated work environment with a team of employees who have been trained and certified in their**

respective work fields. They will offer customer friendly and fiscally prudent leadership to the PCHA's Section 8 Tenants, Landlords and Program Partners.

GOAL THREE: Ensure clean, safe, and secure environment in accordance with Housing Quality Standards.

Objective #1: Provide capable briefing of all HUD policies and procedures to all Section 8 Applicants and adult family members.

Objective #2: PCHA shall partner with local law enforcement to ensure safe and secure Section 8 rental units and safe communities in which Section 8 tenants reside.

GOAL FOUR: Pulaski County Housing Agency shall administer a Family Self-Sufficiency Program to promote economic independence.

Objective #1: Maintain a full-time FSS Coordinator.

Objective #2: Market the FSS Program to all Section 8 Applicants/Tenants.

Objective #3: Ensure continued funding for all FSS Program Activities and programs by seeking additional private and public funding.

Objective #4: Increase the completion of Participant's established goals through effective case management. Establish a 75% completion/graduation over the 5 - year period.

GOAL FIVE: Evaluate and assess the progress of services outlined within the 5 year – Plan Annually.

Annual PHA Plan PHA Fiscal Year 2008

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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.

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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

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

“Adequate and affordable housing” is essential to improving the quality of life of any individual, family or community. The Pulaski County Housing Agency is (PCHA) is committed to providing the opportunity to promote adequate housing, economic opportunity, and a suitable living environment free from discrimination based on race, religion, sex, or nationality.

We support the mission of HUD and have adopted the following as opportunities to address affordable Housing in Pulaski County:

Increase tenant housing opportunities by increasing PCHA Housing stock by obtaining 50 additional properties by 12/31/2008.

Ensure clean, safe, and secure environments in accordance with Housing Quality Standards through aggressive unit screening procedures.

The Pulaski County Housing Agency further supports the mission of HUD for affordable housing by only implementing strategies that are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan for its jurisdiction.

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

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	175		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	132	77%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	43	23%	

Housing Needs of Families on the PHA's Waiting Lists			
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	0	0	
Families with children	172	97%	
Elderly families	3	3%	
Families with Disabilities	18	11%	
Race/ethnicity (Black)	166	89%	
Race/ethnicity (White)	9	9%	
Race/ethnicity (Hispanic)	1	1%	
Race/ethnicity			
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes			
If yes:			
How long has it been closed (# of months)? 12			
Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes			

B. Strategy for Addressing Needs

Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations. The jurisdictional area of the Pulaski County Housing Agency is primarily in the unincorporated rural areas of Pulaski County. Housing Stock is minimal especially as it relates to families needing 4 or more bedrooms.

(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:

- X** Maintain or increase Section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction

- Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required
- Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration
- Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program
- 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:

- Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of mixed - finance housing
- Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based assistance. Continue to work to move Section 8 Tenants off the PHA waiting list through FY2009.
- 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

- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available
- Other: (list below)

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
- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they become available
- Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities

- Other:
Continue to train all PCHA staff on current ADA policies and procedures to ensure that all units are in compliance.

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:

- 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)]

Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses		
Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
1. Federal Grants (FY 2008 grants)		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund		
a) Public Housing Capital Fund		
a) HOPE VI Revitalization		
a) HOPE VI Demolition		
b) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	\$1,658,550	Section 8 HCV
c) Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Grants		
d) Community Development Block Grant		
e) HOME		
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)		

Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses		
Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income		
4. Other income (list below)		
4. Non-federal sources (list below)		
Total resources		
	\$1,658,550	

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.

B. Section 8

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete subcomponent 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)

- 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
- Tenant Rental History and Unit Maintenance Report from most recent Landlord-Report is prepared by the Landlord and submitted to PHA for file.

(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 **Designated location to accommodate number of persons anticipated to apply.**

(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:

Waiting List Participants often have no or very little household income therefore are not offered leasing options by managers or owners. Often due to credit challenges applicants do not qualify for leasing. Limited housing stock in PHA's

jurisdiction makes it more difficult for clients to lease within the 60-day period, therefore additional time is given.

(4) Admissions Preferences

a. Income targeting

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?

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 –**Displacement due to Federally Designated Disaster.**

Other preferences (select all that apply)

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.

1 Date and Time

Former Federal preferences:

2 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

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) (list below)

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

- 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)

- 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
- 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)

- 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?

- Through published notices
- Other (list below)

4. PHA Rent Determination Policies

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

B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance

(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)

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 segment of the FMR area
- The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment standard
- Reflects market or submarket
- Other (list below)

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)

- 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)

- Success rates of assisted families
- Rent burdens of assisted families

(2) Minimum Rent

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

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

b. Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? **In the event that after it is determined through verification that there is Zero-Income status minimum rent is waived for a period not to exceed 6 months.**

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.

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

[24 CFR Part 903.12(b), 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 below:

Participants must meet qualifications as set forth in attached Program Guidelines.

d. What actions will the PHA undertake to implement the program this year?

(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 down payment 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. **X** Partnering with a qualified agency or agencies to administer the program (list name(s) and years of experience below).

Arkansas Network for Community & Economic Development (ANCED)

d. **X** Demonstrating that it has other relevant experience

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

(Provide a statement of the PHA's progress against the goals and objectives established in the previous 5-Year Plan for the period FY 2005- 2010)

Criteria for Substantial Deviations and Significant Amendments

(1) Amendment and Deviation Definitions

24 CFR Part 903.7(r)

- a. Substantial Deviation from the 5-Year Plan
- b. Significant Amendment or Modification to the Annual Plan-

Adopted new policy to include Disaster Designation Waiting List Preference.

Adopted new policy to initiate HUD Upfront Income Verification.

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?

(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 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):

The PHA has based its statement of needs of families on its waiting list 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.

Other: (list below)

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

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

1. 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
X	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	5 Year 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
X	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