PHA Plans Streamlined 5-Year/Annual Version

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

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 2007 - 2011 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: Housing Authority of the City of Derby **PHA Number:** CT017

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: 04/2008

PHA Programs Administered:

Public Housing and Section 8 Number of public housing units: Number of S8 units: Section 8 Only Number of S8 units: 278 **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:				

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)

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 Five-Year PHA Plan PHA FISCAL YEARS 2007 - 2011

[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: The Housing Authority of the City of Derby seeks out to increase equal opportunity and access to decent, safe, affordable housing free from discrimination; to support community development, economic opportunity and self-sufficiency, to expand homeownership and educational opportunities, and to participate in community rebuilding through lower densities, modern housing and integration of socio-economic groups.

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.

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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) Bring to "High Performer" status.
 - Increase customer satisfaction:

- Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions:
- (list; e.g., public housing finance; voucher unit inspections)
- Renovate or modernize public housing units:
- Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing:
- Provide replacement public housing:
- Provide replacement vouchers:
- Other: (list below)
- PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices
 - Objectives:
 - Provide voucher mobility counseling:
 - Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords
 - Increase voucher payment standards
 - Implement voucher homeownership program:
 - Implement public housing or other homeownership programs:
 - Implement public housing site-based waiting lists:
 - Convert public housing to vouchers:
 - Other: (list below)

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

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

- 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:
 - Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.
 - Other: (list below)

Implement Housing Choice Voucher Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

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

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	Object	ives:
	\square	Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of
		race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability:
	\boxtimes	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:

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)

Streamlined Annual PHA Plan PHA Fiscal Year 2008

[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

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- 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, <u>PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related</u> <u>Regulations: Board Resolution to Accompany the Standard Annual, Standard Five-Year, and</u> <u>Streamlined Five-Year/Annual Plans;</u>

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, <u>Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace;</u>

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. PHAs 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) Section 8 tenant-based assistance Public Housing Combined Section 8 and Public Housing Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)					
If used, identify whic	If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction: # of families % of total families Annual Turnover				
Waiting list total	121		21		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	115	95%	21		
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	6	5%	L		
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	0	0			
Families with children	86	71%			
Elderly families	0	0			
Families with Disabilities	35	29%			
Race/ethnicity Native Amer	3	.03%			
Race/ethnicity African Amer	67	55%			
Race/ethnicity Caucasian	50	41%			
Race/ethnicity Asian	1	.01%			
Non Hispanic: 90 / Hispanic: 2	21				
Characteristics by Bedroom Size (Public Housing Only)					
1BR	35	28%			
2 BR	65	53%			
3 BR	16	14%			
4 BR	5	5%			
5 BR					
	5+ BR				
Is the waiting list closed (select one)? No ⊠ Yes If yes: How long has it been closed (# of months)? 16 months. Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? No ⊠ Yes Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? □ No ⊠ 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.

(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
- 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:

Select all that apply

Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available

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.

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: (list below)

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. <u>Statement of Financial Resources</u>

[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.

Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses				
Sources Planned Sources and Uses Planned Uses				
1. Federal Grants (FY 2007 grants)	T fulliteu ψ			
a) Public Housing Operating Fund	0			
b) Public Housing Capital Fund	0			
c) HOPE VI Revitalization	0			
d) HOPE VI Demolition	0			
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant- Based Assistance	2,300,108			
f) Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Grants	0			
g) Community Development Block Grant	0			
h) HOME	0			
Other Federal Grants (list below)				
2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)				
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income				
4. Other income (list below)				
4. Non-federal sources (list below) State Elderly Housing Rents	422,800	Operations of State Elderly		
Total resources				

3. PHA Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions

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[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 sitebased 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 sitebased 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.

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
 - 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)

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

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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

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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 X No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- c. Xes 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): The PHA will disclose information in its possession to a prospective landlord upon written release of consent by the tenant head of household.

(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 None

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- 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 (list below)

(3) Search Time

a. Xes No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?

If yes, state circumstances below:

On a case by case basis and for good cause, such as health-related reasons for not being able to locate a unit, or where the family has been actively seeking a unit but has not yet located a suitable home. The DHA currently issues vouchers for 120 days, incorporating extensions into term rather than requiring families to request for them.

(4) Admissions Preferences

- a. Income targeting
- \Box Yes \boxtimes 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. \bigtriangledown Yes \square No:

Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenantbased 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
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Date and Time

Former Federal preferences:

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- 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)

- 3 Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- 1 Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- 3 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): Victims that fall into the VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) as prescribed in the guidelines by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and incorporated into the agency's administrative plan.

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

Date and time of application

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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)

n/a – the PHA has no special purpose programs.

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

Other (list below)

4. PHA Rent Determination Policies

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

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 <u>not employ</u> 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 <u>employs</u> 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
 - 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)
 - 95th 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 subcomponent 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 below100% of FMR
- 100% of FMR

Х

- 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
- \boxtimes Other (list below)
 - Deconcentration of assisted families in high poverty neighborhoods.

Movement into higher income neighborhoods and communities.

Ability of PHA to assist maximum number of families under ACC as funding levels will permit.

(2) Minimum Rent

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

- \$0
 - \$1-\$25
 - \$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 developmentRevitalization Plan submitted, pending approvalRevitalization Plan approvedActivities 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.)

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Activity type: Demolition
Disposition
3. Application status (select one)
Approved
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. Number of units affected:
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
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)]

(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 \Box Yes \boxtimes 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 Section 8 Home

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:

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): 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. \square 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).
 The DHA will be partnering with the Connecticut Credit Counseling Service of Southern New England. This agency has thirty five (35) years of experience in preparing potential individuals into first time homeownership.

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 20____- 20____.

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

C. Other Information

[24 CFR Part 903.13, 903.15]

(1) Resident Advisory Board Recommendations

a. Yes X 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	bel	low)
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(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?

X Yo	es	No:
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If yes, complete the following:

Name of Resident Member of the PHA Governing Board: Pauline Monaco

Method of Selection:

- Appointment
 - The term of appointment is (include the date term expires): 5 years 11/2008
- 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
- Other: (describe)

Eligible candidates: (select one)

- 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?

- 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
- 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 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. (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.

The Derby Housing Authority has implemented as prescribed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development recognizes the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-162) (VAWA). More Generally to set forth the HA's policies and procedures regarding domestic violence, Dating violence, and stalking, as hereinafter defined.

This policy shall be applicable to the administration by the HA of all federally subsidized public housing and Section 8 rental assistance under the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq). Notwithstanding its title, this policy is gender-neutral, and its protections are available to males who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking as well as female victims of such violence.

13.2 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

This policy has the following principal goals and objectives:

- a. Maintaining compliance with all applicable legal requirements imposed by VAWA;
- b. Ensuring the physical safety of victims of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking who are assisted by the HA;
- c. Providing and maintaining housing opportunities for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking;

- d. Creating and maintaining collaborative arrangements between the HA, law enforcement authorities, victim service providers, and others to promote the safety and well-being of victims of actual and threatened domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, who are assisted by the HA; and
- e. Taking appropriate action in response to an incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, affecting individuals assisted by the HA.

13.3 OTHER HA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

This Policy shall be referenced in and attached to the HA's Five-year Public Housing Agency Plan and shall be incorporated in and made a part of the HA's Admissions Standards and Continued Occupancy Policy. The HA's annual public housing agency plan shall also contain information concerning the HA's activities, services or programs relating to domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

To the extent any provisions of this policy shall vary or contradict any previously adopted policy or procedure of the HA, the provisions of this Policy shall prevail.

13.4 DEFINITIONS

As used in this Policy:

- A. *Domestic Violence* The term "domestic violence" includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected form that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.
- B. *Dating Violence* means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:
 - (i) The length of the relationship
 - (ii) The type of relationship
 - (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
- C. Stalking means (A) (i) to follow, pursue, or repeatedly commit acts with the intent to kill, inure, harass, or intimidate another person; and (ii) to place under surveillance with the intent to kill, injure, harass or intimidate another person; and (B) in the course of, or as a result of, such following, pursuit, surveillance or repeatedly committed acts, to place a person in reasonable fear of the death of, or serious bodily injury to, or to cause substantial emotional harm to (i) that person; (ii) a member of the immediate family of that person; or (iii) the spouse or intimate partner of that person;
- D. *Immediate Family Member* means, with respect to that person (A) a spouse, parent, brother, sister, or child of that person, or an individual to whom that person stands in loco parentis; (B) or any other person living in the household of that person and related to that person by blood or marriage.
- E. *Perpetrator* means person who commits an act of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking against a victim.

13.5 ADMISSION AND SCREENING

Non-Denial of Assistance. The HA will not deny admission to the Section 8 rental assistance program to any person because that person is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, provided that such person is otherwise qualified for such admission.

13.6 TERMINATION OF TENANCY OR ASSISTANCE

- A. *VAWA Protections*. Under VAWA, persons assisted under the Section 8 rental assistance program have the following specific protections, which will be observed by the HA:
 - 1. An incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking will not be considered to be a "serious or repeated" violation of the lease by the victim or threatened victim of that violence and will not be good cause for terminating the tenancy or occupancy rights of or assistance to the victim of that violence.
 - 2. In addition to the foregoing, tenancy or assistance will not be terminated by the HA as a result of criminal activity, if that criminal activity is directly related to domestic violence, dating violence or stalking engaged in by a member of the assisted household, a guest or another person under the tenant's control, and the tenant or an immediate family member is the victim or threatened victim of this criminal activity. However, the protection against termination of tenancy or assistance described in this paragraph is subject to the following limitations:
 - a. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall limit any otherwise available authority of the HA or a Section 8 owner or manager to terminate tenancy, evict, or to terminate assistance, as the case may be, for any violation of a lease or program requirement not premised on the act or acts of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking in question against the tenant or a member of the tenant's household. However, in taking any such action, neither the HA nor a Section 8 manager or owner may apply a more demanding standard to the victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking than that applied to other tenants.
 - b. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall be construed to limit the authority of the HA or a Section 8 owner or manager to evict or terminate from assistance any tenant or lawful applicant if the owner, manager or the HA, as the case may be, can demonstrate an actual and imminent threat to other tenants or to those employed at or providing service to the property, if the tenant is not evicted or terminated from assistance.
- B. Removal of Perpetrator. Further, notwithstanding anything in paragraph 12.6 A.2. Or Federal, State or local law to the contrary, the HA or a Section 8 owner or manager, as the case may be, may bifurcate a lease, or remove a household member from a lease, without regard to whether the household member is a signatory to a lease, in order to evict, remove, terminate occupancy rights, or terminate assistance to any individual who is a tenant or lawful occupant and who engages in acts of physical violence against family members or others. Such action against the perpetrator of such physical violence may be taken without evicting; removing, terminating assistance to, or otherwise penalizing the victim of such violence who is also the tenant or a lawful occupant. Such eviction, removal, termination of occupancy rights, or termination of assistance shall be effected in accordance with the procedures prescribed by law applicable to terminations of tenancy and evictions by the HA. Leases used for dwelling units occupied by families assisted with Section 8 rental assistance administered by the HA, shall contain provisions setting forth the substance of this paragraph.

13.7 VERIFICATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE OR STALKING

A. Requirement for Verification. The law allows, but does not require, to verify that an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking claimed by a tenant or other lawful occupant is bona fide and meets the requirements of the applicable definitions set forth in this policy. Subject only to waiver as provided in paragraph 12.7. C., the HA shall require verification in all cases where an individual claims protection against an action involving such individual proposed to be taken by the HA. Section 8 owners or managers receiving rental assistance administered by the HA may elect to require verification, or not to require it as permitted under applicable law.

Verification of a claimed incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence or

stalking may be accomplished in one of the following three ways:

- 1. *HUD-approved form* by providing to the HA or the requesting Section 8 owner or manager a written certification, on a form approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), that the individual is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking that the incident or incidents in question are bona fide incidents of actual or threatened abuse meeting the requirements of the applicable definition(s) set forth in this policy. The incident or incidents in question must be described in reasonable detail as required in the HUD-approved form, and the completed certification must include the name of the perpetrator.
- 2. Other documentation by providing to the HA or to the requesting Section 8 owner or manager documentation signed by an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, or a medical professional, from whom the victim has sought assistance in addressing the domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or the effects of the abuse, described in such documentation. The professional providing the documentation must sign and attest under penalty of perjury (28 U.S.C. 1746) to the professional's belief that the incident or incidents in question are bona fide incidents of abuse meeting the requirements of the applicable definition(s) set forth in this policy. The victim of the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking described in the documentation must also sign and attest to the documentation under penalty of perjury.
- 3. *Police or court record* by providing to the HA or to the requesting Section 8 owner or manager a Federal, State, tribal, territorial, or local police or court record describing the incident or incidents in question.
- B. *Time allowed to provide verification/failure to provide*. An individual who claims protection against adverse action based on an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, and who is requested by the HA to provide verification, must provide such verification within 14 business days (*i.e.*, 14 calendar days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and federally-recognized holidays) after receipt of the request for verification. Failure to provide verification, in proper form within such time will result in loss of protection under VAWA and this policy against a proposed adverse action.
- C. *Waiver of verification requirement.* The Director of the HA may, with respect to any specific case, waive the above-stated requirements for verification and provide the benefits of this policy based on the victim's statement or other corroborating evidence. Such waiver may be granted in the sole discretion of the Director. Any such waiver must be in writing. Waiver in particular instance or instances shall not operate as precedent for, or create any right to, waiver in any other case or cases, regardless of similarity in circumstances.

13.8 CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. *Right of confidentiality.* All information (including the fact that an individual is a victim of domestic violence dating violence or stalking) provided to the HA or to a Section 8 owner or manager in connection with a verification required under section 12.7 of this policy or provided in lieu of such verification where a waiver of verification is granted, shall be retained by the receiving party in confidence and shall neither be entered in any shared database nor provided to any related entity, except where disclosure is:
 - 1. requested or consented to by the individual in writing, or
 - 2. required for use in connection with termination of Section 8 assistance, as permitted in VAWA, or
 - 3. otherwise required by applicable law.
- B. *Notification of rights*. All tenants of public housing and tenants participating in the Section 8 rental assistance program administered by the HA shall be notified in writing concerning their right to confidentiality and the limits on such rights to confidentiality.

13.9 TRANSFER TO A NEW RESIDENCE

Portability. A Section 8-assisted tenant will not be denied portability to a unit located in another jurisdiction (notwithstanding the term of the tenant's existing lease has not expired, or the family has not occupied the unit for 12 months) so long as the tenant has complied with all other requirements of the Section 8 program and has moved from the unit in order to protect a health or safety of an individual member of the household who is or has been the victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking and who reasonably believes that the tenant or other household member will be imminently threatened by harm from further violence if the individual remains in the present dwelling units.

13.10 RELATIONSHIP WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS

It is the policy of the HA to cooperate with organizations and entities, both private and governmental, that provide shelter and/or services to victims of domestic violence. If the HA staff become aware that an individual assisted by the HA is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, the HA will refer the victim to such providers of shelter or services as appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Policy dopes not create any legal obligation requiring the HA either to maintain a relationship with any particular provider of shelter or services to victims or domestic violence or to make a referral in any particular case.

13.11 NOTIFICATION

The HA shall provide written notification to applicants, tenants, and Section 8 owners and managers, concerning the rights and obligations created under VAWA relating to confidentiality, denial of assistance and, termination of tenancy or assistance.

13.12 RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

Neither VAWA nor this Policy implementing it shall preempt or supersede any provision of Federal, State or local law that provides greater protection than that provided under VAWA for victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.

10. Project-Based Voucher Program

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

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	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.	Standard 5 Year and Annual Plans; streamlined 5 Year Plans						
Х	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						
Х	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						
Х	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. Check here if included in the public housing A&O Policy.	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies						
Х	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies						

	List of Supporting Documents Available for Review	
Applicable &	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component
On Display		
<u> </u>	Public housing rent determination policies, including the method for setting public	Annual Plan: Rent
	housing flat rents. Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Determination
	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development.	Annual Plan: Rent
	Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Determination
Х	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.	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
	Check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan.	
	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	Annual Plan: Management
	applicable assessment).	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
Х	Any policies governing any Section 8 special housing types check 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 Check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy.	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
Х	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures.	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
Х	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program (Section 24.0 of the Section 8 Administrative Plan)	Annual Plan: Homeownership
	Public Housing Community Service Policy/Programs	Annual Plan: Community
	Check here if included in Public Housing A & O Policy	Service & Self-Sufficiency

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review							
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Related Plan Component					
¥¥	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					
Х	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).	Pet Policy					
Х	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)					

<u>12.</u> Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report

Annu	Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report							
Capit	Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF) Part I: Summary							
PHA Name:		Grant Type and Number Capital Fund Program Gr Replacement Housing Fa	r ant No:	/	Federal FY of Grant:			
	ginal Annual Statement Reserve for Disasters/ Emer	e =):)				
	formance and Evaluation Report for Period Ending:		and Evaluation Report	T (1) (
Line	Summary by Development Account		timated Cost	Total Act	1			
1		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 Collaterization 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							

<u>12.</u> Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report

Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF)										
Part II: Supportin		n Replacem	ent Hous	ing Facto	r (CFP/C	(FPRHF)				
PHA Name:	<u> </u>	Grant Type a Capital Fund Replacement	Program Gra	nt No:	:	Federal FY of G	Federal FY of Grant:			
Development Number Name/HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Dev. Acct No.	Quantity	Total Es		Total Actual Cost		Status of Work		
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Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF) Part III: Implementation Schedule

PHA Name:		Capita	Type and Nur al Fund Progra cement Housir	m No:			Federal FY of Grant:
Development Number Name/HA-Wide Activities		I Fund Obligate arter Ending Da	ed	А	ll Funds Expended uarter Ending Date	Reasons for Revised Target Dates	
	Original	Revised	Actual	Original	Revised	Actual	
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Capital Fund Program Five-Y	Zear Action	n Plan				
Part I: Summary		1 1 1011				
PHA Name				Original 5-Year Plan Revision No:		
Development Number/Name/HA-Year 1 Wide		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						

	Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan Part II: Supporting Pages—Work Activities								
Activities for Year 1		vities for Year : FFY Grant: PHA FY:		Acti	vities 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	\$			\$			

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