# Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority OH007

PHA Agency Plans 5-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2001 – 2005 Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2001

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### **PHA Plan Agency Identification**

**PHA Name:** Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority

PHA Number: OH007

**PHA Fiscal Year Beginning:** 07/2000

#### **Public Access to Information**

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PHA development management offices

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PHA local offices

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

The PHA Plans (including attachments) are available for public inspection at:

- $\boxtimes$ Main administrative office of the PHA (100 West Cedar Street, Akron)
  - PHA development management offices:

(Norton Homes, 452 Newell Street, Barberton)

(Honey Locust, 3299 Prange Dr., Cuyahoga Falls)

- 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 (Akron Public Library, Government Desk, 55 S Main Street, Akron)
- PHA website
- Other (list below)

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at:

- $\mathbf{X}$ Main business office of the PHA: 100 West Cedar Street, Akron, Ohio Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., except posted holidays
  - PHA development management offices
  - Other (list below)

#### **5-YEAR PLAN PHA FISCAL YEARS 2001 - 2005** [24 CFR Part 903.5]

#### A. Mission

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The PHA's mission is: The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority is committed to building stronger neighborhoods by providing quality housing options and professional services for eligible residents of Summit County in partnership with the greater community.

The AMHA is striving to be a *national pacesetter* among housing providers.

#### **B.** Goals

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority's 5-Year strategic goals incorporate many HUD identified goals and objectives that are contained in the PHA Plan template. Other goals, specific to the AMHA, were added to produce the AMHA Goals section of the Plan. Each of the HUD objectives checked as adopted by the AMHA have a corresponding AMHA Goal # next to it. These numbers help identify the appropriate action the housing authority intends to take in addressing the HUD goal.

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

- $\boxtimes$ PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing **Objectives:** 
  - Apply for additional rental vouchers: See AMHA Goal #1, Obj. 1.
  - Reduce public housing vacancies: See AMHA Goal #1, Obj. 5.
  - Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing opportunities: See AMHA Goal # 1, Obj. 6.
    - Acquire or build units or developments: See AMHA Goal #1, Obj. 6.
  - $\boxtimes$ Other (list below): See AMHA Goal #1
- $\mathbf{X}$ PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing **Objectives:** 
  - Improve public housing management: See AMHA Goals #4 & 6
  - Improve voucher management: See Goal #4, Obj.2.
    - Increase customer satisfaction: See AMHA Goal #4
    - Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions:

(List: e.g., public housing finance; voucher unit inspections) See AMHA Goals #4 & 6

- Renovate or modernize public housing units: See AMHA Goal #2, Obj.1.
- Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing: See Goal #2, Obj. 2.
- Provide replacement public housing: See AMHA Goal #1, Obj. 1. & 6.
- XXXXXX Provide replacement vouchers: See AMHA Goal # 1, Obj. 1. & 6.
  - Other: (list below): See AMHA Goal #2
- $\boxtimes$ PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices **Objectives:**

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- $\boxtimes$ Provide voucher mobility counseling: See AMHA Goal #1, Obj. 4.
  - Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords: See AMHA Goal #1,0bj. 3.
  - Increase voucher payment standards: See AMHA Goal #3, Obj. 3.
  - Implement voucher homeownership program: See AMHA Goal #3, Obj.1.
  - Implement public housing or other homeownership programs: See AMHA Goal #3, 1. & 2.
  - Implement public housing site-based waiting lists: The AMHA does not expect to create site-based waiting lists in the public housing program this coming fiscal year. Future consideration will be given to such an arrangement if, through analysis, it is determined to be potentially beneficial to those seeking housing in the program. The process of analyzing the appropriateness of site-based or sub-jurisdiction waiting lists may begin during FY 2001. However, no decisions are expected before FY 2002.
- Convert public housing to vouchers: The AMHA is not required to convert any of its public housing to vouchers at this time. However, the conversion of some public housing, specifically scattered site units, to vouchers may be considered a viable strategy within the time frame of the 5-Year Plan.
- $\boxtimes$ Other: (list below): See AMHA Goal #3

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

- PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment **Objectives:** 
  - $\times$ Implement measures to de-concentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments: The AMHA will calculate the income demographics of the residents of all public housing developments twice a year in order to track the success of its efforts with regard to this goal. Adjustments will be made to de-concentration targets according to the new data collected. Consideration will be given to establishing greater incentives if changes noted are not favorable. (Example: Reduced flat rents at de-concentration targeted developments.)

$\boxtimes$	Implement measures to promote income mixing in public housing by assuring
	access for lower income families into higher income developments
$\boxtimes$	Implement public housing security improvements: See PHDEP Plan
$\boxtimes$	Designate developments or buildings for particular resident groups (elderly,
	persons with disabilities): See AMHA Goal #3, Obj. 5.
$\boxtimes$	Other: (list below): See AMHA Goals # 2, 3 & 5

# 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: *See local admission preferences in A & O Policy, 4-3, 2.*
  - Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability: *See AMHA Goal #5, Obj. 2. 3.*
  - Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities: *See AMHA Goal # 5, Obj. 5.*
  - Other: (list below): See AMHA Goal #5

#### 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:
  - 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: *The AMHA will continue to carry out the Section 504 Transition Plan and address ADA requests.*
  - Other: See AMHA Goal #7

### Additional Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority Goals and **Strategies**

The following goals, objectives, strategies and time frames are provided to give the reader of this document a clear understanding of the direction the AMHA intends to take over the next five years. The information contained does not detail the hundreds of action steps that will need to be carried out in the effort to complete these objectives. The action steps are developed by appropriate individuals, or groups, that are responsible for their successful execution. They are available, prior the commencement of each fiscal year, for review at the central administrative office of the AMHA. Each set of action steps will be accompanied by desired outcomes and specific benchmark dates for completion. The action steps will be indexed to the overall goals and objectives listed below. Updates will be provided with the submission of the Annual Agency Plan and when any significant changes are made to the 5-Year Strategic Plan.

housing.		
	Objective/Strategies	Time Frame
1.	Apply for additional rental vouchers as replacement housing for public housing units demolished or, as to fulfill the demand for S8 vouchers.	As vouchers become available.
2.	Increase utilization of existing vouchers. Target 100%	Ongoing through period of the Plan.
3.	Implement landlord outreach program to promote participation in Section 8 program. Emphasis shall be placed on non-traditional areas.	By January 1, 2001.
4.	Improve the existing Section 8 property listing service. Educate applicants on searching for units, especially in non-traditional areas; provide mobility counseling.	Initially by January 1, 2000. Adjust, as needed.
5.	Maintain the LIPH adjusted occupancy rate at, or greater than, 97%.	Ongoing throughout period of the Plan.

Goal #1. Increase the availability of decent safe and affordable

6. Identify potential housing development	Identification of strategies to be
strategies, including, but not limited to, the use	completed by the start of FY 2002.
of tax credits, public funds, and other financial	Specific number and type of housing
leveraging tactics. (E.g., Potential creation and	units may be set when <i>needs study</i>
/or partnership with non-profit entities.)	has been completed.

Goal #2: Improve the quality of the property assets and physical environment of the residents.		
	<b>Objective/Strategies</b>	Time Frame
1.	Proceed with comprehensive modernization of public housing development. (See section #4 of Annual Plan).	Ongoing through period of the Plan.
2.	Continue to demolish obsolete dwelling units. (See section #8 of Annual Plan).	Ongoing through period of the Plan. (See Section 8)
3.	Proceed with hazardous material abatement, (i.e. lead based paint, asbestos). Improve program procedures.	Review process by October 1, 2000.
4.	Coordinate scattered site rehab efforts with identified community development areas.	Begin by October 1, 2000.
5.	Apply for a HOPE VI revitalization grant for Elizabeth Park Homes (OH12P007-001) in 2000. Elizabeth Park revitalization is essential to the development's long-term viability. The project is located in Akron's Enterprise Community zone. Additional HOPE VI applications may be filed in subsequent years of the Plan if opportunities are presented.	Complete application per published deadline.
6.	Implement new HUD property inspection standards.	Per regulations.
7.	Formalize a maintenance work order quality assurance program.	Implementation by September 30, 2000.

8.	Develop an energy conservation program. The purpose is to assure that energy consumption is at its' lowest practical level within a specific set of criteria. The program will develop methods for tracking and analyzing energy consumption records, establish strategies for reducing consumption at target assets, identify process steps to carry out various conservation strategies and, provide energy conservation information to persons in a position to affect consumption. Energy sources included in the program are: residential dwelling units buildings, non- residential community buildings, maintenance facilities and Agency fleet vehicles.	Program design by December 31, 2000. Implementation by June 30, 2001.
9.	Develop a comprehensive physical needs assessment data collection system. The system shall be designed to update major mechanical and structural systems in the property asset database on a regular basis.	Needs collection process developed by April 2001. Implementation by July 2001.

Goal #3: Expand affordable housing choices for eligible persons in the jurisdiction.		
	<b>Objective/Strategies</b>	Time Frame
1.	The AMHA will endeavor to develop a homeownership program within the Section 8 and/or Low Income Public Housing programs.	Section 8 Program design by March 2001. Implementation by July 2001; public housing program FY2002.
2.	Consideration will be given to participating, in some capacity, with non-profit organizations in other low- income homeownership programs.	As appropriate.
3.	The AMHA will explore the appropriateness of increasing voucher payment standards as a strategy for increasing housing choices and to encourage landlord participation.	Conduct analysis annually.

4.	The AMHA, as well as CDGB entitlement entities within the jurisdiction recognize the need for more accurate housing needs data. The AMHA will form a coalition of CDGB entitlement entities, non-profit housing groups and other interested parties to analyze further the 2000 census data, as it becomes available. Additional housing needs data will also be gathered in an attempt to clearly identify gaps in affordable housing options for low- income person. The <i>needs study</i> will include an analysis of existing housing resources, potential resources and, resources needed to close the identified affordable housing gaps within the community.	Ad hoc group will begin study the fourth quarter of FY2001 and meet at regular intervals until study has been completed. The 2000 census data must be available prior to completing analysis.
5.	Conduct a "best use" analysis of all property in the AMHA's portfolio. The purpose is to determine the potential uses of the existing property. Potential outcome are: development of site based waiting lists, designated housing plans, conversion to Section 8, conversion to special needs facilities, or disposition possibility.	Study to commence January 2001.
6.	The AMHA will create an interactive Internet web site. The site will provide appropriate housing program and Agency information. Links to other related web sites that allow interested persons the opportunity to research regulations and housing options. It is the intention of the Agency to explore the possibility of providing Internet access for use by residents at each of the Agency's community centers. Support has been given to the City of Barberton who is currently seeking a technology grant to pilot such a program.	Web site development to take place in FY2001. Pilot program for resident accesses depends on the outcome of the City of Barberton's grant.

Goal #4: Enhance customer service to residents, applicants, and organizations in partnership with the AMHA.		
	Objective/Strategies	Time Frame
1.	Maintain "High Performer" status in Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS).	Annually measured by HUD.
2.	Obtain a high SEMAP score.	Annually measured by HUD.
3.	Conduct customer service surveys to determine areas of service that need improvement. Provide training to staff in identified areas, as well as, professional training opportunities for staff related to customer services and their particular areas of responsibility.	Program organization completed by February 2001. Implementation March 2001. Ongoing thereafter.
4.	Enhance the process to educate residents on their rights and responsibilities as LIPH and Section 8 program participants. Possible topics include, but are not limited to, lease responsibilities, accessing services and fire safety.	Ad hoc committee to form by September 1, 2000. Committee to determine scope of program and implementation start.

Goal #5: Participate in programs and activities that provide economic and educational opportunities for residents.	
<b>Objective/Strategies</b>	Time Frame
<ol> <li>Develop and implement a community service program pursuant to the requirements of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and the final rule on Occupancy published March 29, 2000.</li> </ol>	Per regulations.
<ol> <li>Continue to fulfill the Agency's Family Self-Sufficiency requirement. Maintain and promote participation in the FSS program.</li> </ol>	Ongoing.

3.	Collaborate with other community agencies and groups to develop economic opportunities for residents of the AMHA.	Ongoing.
4.	Conduct a study of educational needs of children in subsidized housing in collaboration with local school districts and the University of Akron. Develop resident supportive services programs based on identified needs.	Initial study to be completed by December 2000. Program implementation by May 2001.

# Goal #6: Improve the operational effectiveness and efficiency of the AMHA.

Objective/Strategies	Time Frame
<ol> <li>Produce a database of all property assets of the Agency. Develop procedures to maintain the accuracy of the information. Database shall include structural and mechanical life-cycle information.</li> </ol>	Build database by third quarter FY2001. Operational by June 30, 2001.
2. LIPH and Section 8 demographics data and maps will be produced on a regular basis. These will be used to show trends in these programs. The effectiveness of income mixing de-concentration outreach and economic development programs will be monitored. Applicable policies, including, but not limited to, admission preferences, tenant selection and de-concentration, will be reviewed periodically to determine if revisions are necessary to meet desired outcomes.	Data analysis, including maps will be produced each quarter starting in FY2001.

3.	Maintain the Agency's Information and communication systems in a state of "current-to-leading" technology. Systems include local and wide area networks, Internet services, portable and hand-held and other remote computing devices, video and telephone conferencing capability, analog and digital telephone service, facsimile abilities, data warehousing, digital imagining, desktop computing, print and all associated cabling and wireless connections. Also included are: software programs, controlling networks, business operations, stand alone applications, mechanical devices and communications. These shall be kept reasonably current and up-to-date within the demands of the processes governing the operation.	Computer equipment: ongoing. Telephone system review and possible update: FY2002. Proprietary software: Windows update to be done as software becomes available from vendor. Possible conversion FY2001 and FY2002. Stand alone software: As deemed appropriate.
4.	Study the use of the central warehouse maintenance facility and conduct an analysis of the materials inventory and distribution system.	Commence analysis third quarter FY20001. Implement recommendations FY2002.
5.	Implement an evaluation and training program for staff on the use of proprietary operational software. (Currently Memory Lane Systems EmPHAsys).	Evaluation and program to be in place by November 2000.
6.	Policies and procedures are to remain "current". Reviews will be done periodically and as new regulations are promulgated. Key staff will be instructed on process review methodologies. Regulatory updates will become a regular feature at monthly senior staff meetings.	Process review training by April 2001. Process and policy analysis will be ongoing thereafter. Regulatory updates: As necessary.
7.	Continue with development of "Project Based Accounting". Assign project/team budgets for all maintenance accounts.	Implementation to begin in FY2001.
8.	Proceed with the conversion of the Payroll System from ADP to a new vendor with labor distribution capabilities.	Implementation to begin 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter of FY2001.
9.	Review and continue with Fiscal Assets GAAP Conversion with the MLS module for depreciation. Current system not fully operational.	Implementation by July 1, 2000, unless the current system design does not conform to GAAP requirements.

Goa	Goal #7: Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing.				
	Objective/Strategies	Time Frame			
1.	The housing authority will affirmatively promote	The AMHA will discuss possible			
	fair housing policies and practices.	arrangements with one or both Fair			
	Opportunities to address applicants at	housing offices in the jurisdiction as			
	orientation sessions shall be provided to the Fair	soon as can be arranged. A Fair			
	Housing offices in the jurisdiction.	Housing education component of the			
		applicant orientation can begin upon			
		reaching mutual agreement on details.			
		Target: First quarter FY2001.			
2.	Provide ongoing staff training in race, fair housing,	Organization of training to be			
	disability and employability issues in order to	completed by December 31, 2000.			
	improve services to low-income persons.	Initial training to be held January			
		through December 2001.			
3.	Undertake affirmative measures to ensure	Strategies will be formed with			
	accessible housing to persons with all varieties of	appropriate advocacy groups by			
	disabilities regardless of unit size required.	September 30, 2000. Implementation			
		as soon as possible afterwards.			

# Annual PHA Plan PHA Fiscal Year 2000

[24 CFR Part 903.7]

#### i. Annual Plan Type:

Select which type of Annual Plan the PHA will submit.

#### **Standard Plan**

#### **Streamlined Plan:**

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#### High Performing PHA

Small Agency (<250 Public Housing Units)

Administering Section 8 Only

**Troubled Agency Plan** 

#### ii. Executive Summary of the Annual PHA Plan

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

#### **Executive Summary**

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority has elected to submit streamlined Plans pursuant to regulations permitting high performing housing authorities to do so. Some information, not required of high performing housing authorities, has been provided at the option of the AMHA.

The Plans, 5-Year Strategic and Annual, the first ones created under the new law, have been subjected to ongoing regulatory adjustments since they were created by the passage of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. The latest being the final rule on Occupancy in Public and Section 8 housing programs, published March 29, 2000, just nineteen days prior to the submission deadline. The Plans, being submitted attempt to meet all rules, regulations and intentions governing their creation and submission. However, certain policy items will need to be revised and further clarified as guidance is published and rules are promulgate (e.g. De-concentration and income mixing, flat rents and keeping of pets).

The AMHA has attempted to create comprehensive Plans that address all needs and activities related to the mission of the organization. However, it anticipates the need to continue work on the goals, strategies, objectives and policies, on an ongoing basis. Regulations governing the revision process will be followed if significant changes are made.

In order to articulate where the Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority is heading, as a community based resource, it is necessary to briefly explain where it has been recently and where it is at today. It is impossible to overstate the importance of the agency as a housing

resource to low-income families in Summit County, Ohio. More than eight thousand families receive rental assistance directly from the AMHA. An additional two thousand seek assistance. With this many people relying on the housing authority to help stabilize their living arrangements, the AMHA Board of Trustees and staff do not take the responsibility lightly.

Management of the Authority set goals several years ago to improve the operation, provide better customer service, and enhance the appearance of the all property owned by the Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority. At the time, the AMHA was considered a "standard performing" housing authority using the Public Housing Management Assessment Program (PHMAP) grading standards. Last year (FY1999), the AMHA was ranked as "high performing" PHA. More importantly, the goals cited above were achieved. Many internal processes were reviewed and revamped, a complete new computer system, including operational software, was installed, vacant units not under modernization were significantly reduced, as were customer complaints.

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority also moved into a newly constructed central administration office building. The pride the organization took in this change of location was mirrored at the housing developments. Many apartment complexes received serious upgrades to their appearance. Professional landscaping and beautification programs resulted in awards being bestowed upon the authority by local and state organizations. "Curb appeal" became a daily objective.

Additionally, the Agency took advantage of new demolition regulations and, with HUD approval, embarked upon a program to remove obsolete property from its portfolio. Rather than spend unacceptable amounts of money on rehabilitation, the funds were better used improving the maintenance of the viable housing stock. This strategy help reduce vacancy and waiting times for applicants. Some replacement housing was developed. Other replacement housing came in the form of additional S8 vouchers.

The development of the goals and objectives contained in these Plans continue many of the things that began several years ago. They are, to house applicant expeditiously, create more opportunities for residents, develop more housing, improve the existing property, become more professional, provide excellent service and, be an integral part of the community. Additionally, the AMHA endeavors to gain knowledge about the low-income rental needs of the of the community, work cooperatively with others to fill the gaps in housing services, improve many operational processes and to effectively implement housing regulations governing all Agency programs. The details on how the AMHA intends to accomplish these goals can be found in these Plans.

# **iii. Annual Plan Table of Contents** [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

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#### Attachments:

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Required Attachments:

- Admissions Policy for De-concentration See Admissions & Occupancy Policy
- FY 2000 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement
  - Most recent board-approved operating budget (Required Attachment for PHAs which are troubled or at risk of being designated troubled ONLY)

#### Not required for the AMHA.

**Optional Attachments:** 

- PHA Management Organizational Chart
- FY 2000 Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan
- Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) Plan
- Comments of Resident Advisory Board: Letter of Support

#### Supporting Documents Available for Review:

	List of Supporting Documents Available for	Review
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
Included.	PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations	5 Year and Annual Plans
Included.	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan	5 Year and Annual Plans
	Fair Housing Documentation: 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
Recently submitted <i>Consolidated</i> <i>Plans</i> for the City of Akron and County of Summit are available for review.	Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction/s in which the PHA is located (which includes the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI))) and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs in the jurisdiction	Annual Plan: Housing Needs
Included.	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources;
Included.	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP]	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies

Applicable &	List of Supporting Documents Available for Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Fian Component
Included.	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
Yes	<ul> <li>Public Housing De-concentration and Income Mixing Documentation: <i>included in A &amp; O Policy</i></li> <li>PHA board certifications of compliance with de- concentration requirements (section 16(a) of the US Housing Act of 1937, as implemented in the 2/18/99 <i>Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act Initial</i> <i>Guidance; Notice</i> and any further HUD guidance) and</li> <li>Documentation of the required de-concentration and income mixing analysis</li> </ul>	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
Being revised per 3/29/00 final rule.	Public housing rent determination policies, including the methodology for setting public housing flat rents included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
Being revised per 3/29/00 final rule.	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
Yes	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
Yes	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
Yes	Public housing grievance procedures included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
Yes	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
Yes	The HUD-approved Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement (HUD 52837) for the active grant year	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grant	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
Yes	Most recent, approved 5 Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program, if not included as an attachment (provided at PHA option)	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
NA	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans or any other approved proposal for development of public housing	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
Yes	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
NA	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans)	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing

	List of Supporting Documents Available for Review				
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component			
NA	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act	Annual Plan: Conversion of Public Housing			
NA	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans	Annual Plan: Homeownership			
NA	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program check here if included in the Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Homeownership			
Yes	Any cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency			
Yes	FSS Action Plan/s for public housing and/or Section 8	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency			
Yes	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other resident services grant) grant program reports	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency			
Yes	The most recent Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHEDEP) semi-annual performance report for any open grant and most recently submitted PHDEP application (PHDEP Plan)	Annual Plan: Safety and Crime Prevention			
Yes	The most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U. S.C. 1437c(h)), the results of that audit and the PHA's response to any findings	Annual Plan: Annual Audit			
NA	Troubled PHAs: MOA/Recovery Plan	Troubled PHAs			
	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	(specify as needed)			

#### **<u>1. Statement of Housing Needs</u>**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (a)]

#### Housing Needs and Trends:

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority believes that the need for affordable subsidized rental housing in Summit County, particularly the city of Akron, will remain constant over the next five years. Small family needs appear to be the greatest, while large family and elderly housing demands do not seem to be growing. Special needs housing may be on the increase, but clear trends are not discernable given the information we have from waiting lists. If assisted housing needs appear to be unmet by existing community resources, the Agency will consider development of such housing. This may be accomplished either through the reconfiguration of existing housing or adding housing More accurate, and up-to-date "needs" data is necessary. The CDGB entitlement entities and the housing authority will participate in a community-wide needs and resource reassessment during the period of the 5-Year Plan. Details are noted in Goal #3, D., of the 5-Year Agency Plan.

The desire to rent single family homes and small multi-family apartments in public housing and under the Section Eight voucher program, is high. The development of additional affordable rental housing in non-traditional areas is encouraged (*Goal #1, C.*) for owner/landlords wishing to participate in the program. Elderly housing in Akron appears to be of sufficient levels to satisfy the demands. However, low-income elderly applicants frequently desire housing in non central city locations. Modest development of senior housing in those areas may satisfy a pentup demand. However, if development of new and affordable senior housing in non central city locations is too aggressive, it could lead to an over abundance of elderly housing in Akron and high vacancy rates in existing dwellings. This affect is not considered desirous.

#### Homelessness:

The AMHA does not own or operate emergency shelters servicing the homeless. Homelessness is neither a classification of wait list or a preference for low-income public housing or Section Eight programs. The AMHA does own a ninety (90) unit single-room occupancy (SRO) housing project. Single, non-elderly applicants with the AMHA are place on the SRO waiting list.

#### A. Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction/s Served by the PHA

Based upon the information contained in the Consolidated Plan/s applicable to the jurisdiction, and/or other data available to the PHA, provide a statement of the housing needs in the jurisdiction by completing the following table. In the "Overall" needs column, provide the estimated number of renter families that have housing needs. For the remaining characteristics, rate the impact of that factor on the housing needs for each family type, from 1 to 5, with 1 being "no impact" and 5 being "severe impact." Use N/A to indicate that no information is available upon which the PHA can make this assessment.

It is the opinion of the housing authority that overall housing needs information, available to the PHA and Consolidated Plan jurisdiction entities, is inadequate. Housing needs data, rental resources, housing options and opportunities, must all be updated before conclusive statements and long-term strategies can be formulated. Therefore, the AMHA has proposed in its goals (see Goal#3, Objective/Strategy #4), that interested parties cooperatively conduct a comprehensive analysis.

Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction								
	by Family Type							
Family Type	Overall	Afford- ability	Supply	Quality	Access- ibility	Size	Loca- tion	
Income <= 30% of AMI	17,503	5	4	2	N/A	1	4	
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	10,047	4	3	2	N/A	1	3	
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	12,259	3	2	2	N/A	1	3	
Elderly	9,913	3	1	1	2	1	2	
Families with Disabilities (Summit County Con. Plan jurisdiction only )	24,854	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Race/Ethnicity (White)	29,304	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Race/Ethnicity (Black)	9,585	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Race/Ethnicity (Hispanic)	225	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Race/Ethnicity								

What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

Consolidated Plan of the Jurisdiction/s Indicate year:

$\boxtimes$	U.S. Census data: the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") 1990
	dataset
	American Housing Survey data
	Indicate year:
	Other housing market study
	Indicate year:
$\boxtimes$	Other sources: (list and indicate year of information) 2000 PHA wait list data.

### B. 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 subjurisdictional public housing waiting lists at their option.

### **Overall Wait List Information**

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List As of April 11, 2000					
<ul> <li>Waiting list type: (select one)</li> <li>Section 8 tenant-based assistance</li> <li>Public Housing</li> <li>Combined Section 8 and Public Housing <i>Statistical reporting only.</i></li> <li>Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)</li> </ul>					
	If used, identify which development/sub-jurisdiction:         # of families       % of total families       Annual Turnover         Total Applicant       Families       Families				
Waiting list total	2250		100% +		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	1837	81.64%			
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	351	15.6%			
Low income (>50% but <80%)	62	2.76%			

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List				
	As of Apr	il 11, 2000		
Families with children	1315	58.4%		
Elderly families	252	11.2%		
Families with	361	16%		
Disabilities				
Race/ethnicity	938	41.7%		
(White)				
Race/ethnicity (Black)	1303	57.9%		
Race/ethnicity (Native	1	.05%		
American)				
Race/ethnicity (Asian	8	.35%		
or Pacific Islander)				

# Low-Income Public Housing Wait List Information

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List				
Waiting list type: (selec	t one)			
	t-based assistance			
Public Housing	g As of April 11, 2000	)		
	on 8 and Public Housing			
	Site-Based or sub-jurisdie		onal)	
If used, identify	which development/sub	-jurisdiction:		
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover	
	(verified and in			
	process)			
Waiting list total	795		3x	
Extremely low income	592	74.47%		
<=30% AMI				
Very low income	154	19.37%		
(>30% but <=50%)				
Low income	49	6.16%		
(>50% but <80%)				
Families with children	372	46.7%		
Elderly families	253	31.7%		
Families with	156	19.6%		
Disabilities				
Race/ethnicity	392	49.3%		
(White)				

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List					
Race/ethnicity (Black)	399	50.1%			
Race/ethnicity (Native	0	0			
American)					
Race/ethnicity (Asian	4	.6%			
or Pacific Islander)					
Characteristics by	Applicants (verified	Percent of Public	Estimated turnover of		
Bedroom Size (Public	and in process as of	Housing Applicants	wait list		
Housing Only)	4/11/2000)				
1BR	370	46.5%	3x		
2 BR	300	37.7%	2.5x		
3 BR	109	13.8%	2.5x		
4 BR	16	2.0%	10x		
5 BR	0	0			
5+ BR	0	0			
Is the waiting list close	ed (select one)? 🛛 No	Yes			
If yes:					
How long has it been closed (# of 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	d? No Yes				

# Section 8 Program Wait List Information

I	Iousing Needs of Fami	ilies on the Waiting Li	st
Waiting list type: (selec	t one)		
Section 8 tena	nt-based assistance A	as of April 11, 2000	
Public Housing			
Combined Secti	on 8 and Public Housing		
Public Housing	Site-Based or sub-jurisdie	ctional waiting list (option	nal)
If used, identify	which development/sub-	-jurisdiction:	
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
	(verified and in		
	process)		
Waiting list total	1839		.65x
Extremely low income	1562	84.94%	
<=30% AMI			

I	Housing Needs of Fam	ilies on the Waiting I	List
Very low income (>30% but <=50%)	258	14.03%	
Low income (>50% but <80%)	19	1.03%	
Families with children	1150	62.5%	
Elderly families	6	.3%	
Families with Disabilities	269	14.6%	
Race/ethnicity (White)	728	39.6%	
Race/ethnicity (Black)	1103	59.9%	
Race/ethnicity (Native American)	1	.05%	
Race/ethnicity (Asian or Pacific Islander)	7	.38%	
Is the waiting list close	d (select one)? 🔀 No	Yes	
If yes:			
How long has i	it been closed (# of mon	ths)?	
Does the PHA	expect to reopen the list	t in the PHA Plan year?	No Yes
Does the PHA generally close	permit specific categorie d? No Yes	es of families onto the wa	aiting list, even if

#### C. Strategy for Addressing Needs

The most significant way the AMHA can address the needs of the families on the wait list would be to reduce vacant unit turnaround time in public housing and to efficiently distribute Section 8 vouchers. Additional housing may be developed or purchased over the next five years but it would be premature to announce the type and numbers of units. The specific strategies the housing authority will employ are listed in the goals and objectives section of the Plan or are listed below.

#### (1) Strategies

# 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

 $\boxtimes$ 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  $\mathbf{X}$ Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8 replacement housing resources  $\boxtimes$ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction  $\mathbf{X}$ Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required  $\mathbf{X}$ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration  $\mathbf{X}$ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program  $\mathbf{X}$ Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies Other (list below)

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

Select all that apply

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Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available

Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of mixed - finance housing

# Mixed-financing housing development is a possibility in the future. However, no development activities currently underway or expected in FY2001.

- 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. The wait list numbers indicate a strong need to address the housing needs of the extremely-low income families. The AMHA expects to significantly exceed the federal income-targeting goal of 40% of new admissions.
- Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in tenant-based Section 8 assistance. The AMHA will exceed the federal target by 5 to

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10%. The AMHA does not intend to seek an adjustment in its LIPH target as a result of exceeding the S8 target.



Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work *See A&O Policy* 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 Application may be filed pending the results of a feasibility study.
- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available
- Other: (list below) Possible assisted housing designation for elderly with medical problems.

#### 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
 Application may be filed if feasibility study indicates the need for special designation.
 Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504 Needs
 Assessment for Public Housing.
 The AMHA Five-Year Section 504 Transition Plan is beginning its fourth year in
 FY2001. Modifications will also be carried out during rehabilitation of developments.
 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

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#### 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



- $\mathbf{X}$ Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units
- $\mathbf{X}$ Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations
- $\mathbf{X}$ Other: (list below) See AMHA Goal 7, A.

#### 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
- $\times$ Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community
- $\boxtimes$ 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)

# **Statement of Financial Resources** [24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)]

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)] <b>Fin</b> a	ncial Resources:	
	d Sources and Uses	
Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
1. Federal Grants (FY 2000 grants)		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund	12,128,812	
b) Public Housing Capital Fund	11,561,752	
c) HOPE VI Revitalization		
d) HOPE VI Demolition	844,000	
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	16,126,885	
<ul> <li>f) Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (including any Technical Assistance funds) PHDEP 2000</li> </ul>	1,090,685	
g) Resident Opportunity and Self- Sufficiency Grants	13,000	
h) Community Development Block Grant	NA	
i) HOME	NA	
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
2. Prior Year Federal Grants		
(unobligated funds only) (list below)		
PHDEP 1999	545,343	Programs & Security
PHDEP 1998	322,000	Programs & Security
Service Coordinator	335,231	Program Administration
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income	7,577,344	PH Operations
Non-Dwelling Rent	31,480	PH Operations
Excess Utilities	54,000	PH Operations
<b>4.</b> Other income (list below)		
Interest Income	405,000	PH Operations
Antenna Rent, Laundry, Miscellaneous	188,396	PH Operations
4. Non-federal sources (list below)		
Section 8 Admin. Fee Interest Income	75,000	Section 8 Operations
Total resources	\$61,415,043	Operations, Programs and Capital Improvements

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

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (c)]

#### 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)
- $\mathbf{X}$ Other: (describe): At time of admission and prior to placement.

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

$\boxtimes$		Criminal or Drug-related activity
$\boxtimes$		Rental history
		Housekeeping
$\boxtimes$		Other (describe): Outstanding receivable with AMHA
c. 🗵	3	Yes 🗌 No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement
		agencies for screening purposes?
d.	$\langle$	Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement
		agencies for screening purposes?
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e. Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)

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#### (2) Waiting List Organization

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

- Х Community-wide list (by program).
  - Sub-jurisdictional lists
  - Site-based waiting lists

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- Other (describe): Organized by Programs
  - Low-Income Public Housing, Section 8, SRO, Wilbeth, LHA
- b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?

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PHA main administrative office

PHA development site management office

Other (list below)

- c. 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. X 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?

The current expectation is that the AMHA will exceed the 40% requirement by at least 25% during the current fiscal year. The placement rate for families at or below 30% AMI, adjusted for family size, during FY 2001 will likely be at least 55%, 15% greater than federal income targets for public housing.

b. Transfer policies:

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

imesEmergencies

Over-housed

Under-housed

- Medical justification (Approved ADA requests)
- ] X X I Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)
  - Resident choice: (state circumstances below)
- Other: (list below): Approved hardship requests.
- c. Preferences

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1. X 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



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Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below) Applicants not currently residing in subsidized or other assisted housing units.

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.

**5** 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)

- 2 Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- 3 Veterans and veterans' families
- 4 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
- 1 Other preference(s) (list below) Applicant not currently living in subsidized or other assisted housing units.
- 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 incometargeting 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)

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- 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) De-concentration and Income Mixing

- a. X Yes No: Did the PHA's analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the need for measures to promote de-concentration of poverty or income mixing? See A&O Policy for full description of de-concentration policy.
- b. Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its admissions policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote de-concentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?
   See A&O Policy for full description of de-concentration policy.
- c. If the answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (Select all that apply)
- Adoption of site-based waiting lists If selected, list targeted developments below:
- Employing waiting list "skipping" to achieve de-concentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below:
- Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below:
- Other (list policies and developments targeted below)

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# d. X Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to **other** policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need for de-concentration of poverty and income mixing?

e. If the answer to d is yes, how would you describe these changes? (select all that apply)

- Additional affirmative marketing
- Actions to improve the marketability of certain developments
- Adoption or adjustment of ceiling rents for certain developments
- Adoption of rent incentives to encourage de-concentration of poverty and income mixing See A&O Policy for description of incentives.
- Other (list below)

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f. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to attract or retain higher-income families? (select all that apply)

Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts

List (any applicable) developments below:

7010	Elizabeth Park Homes
7020	Norton Homes
7040	Edgewood Homes
7050	Paul E. Belcher N
7060	Allen Dickson
7090	Buchtel/Cotter House
7100	Saferstein Towers I
7120	Martin P. Lauer
7131	Mohawk Apartments
7132	Bon Sue
7134	Spicer Apartments
7140	Joy Park Homes
7141	Valley View
7143	Scattered Sites
7150	Van Buren Homes
7160	Paul E. Belcher S
7190	Saferstein Towers II
7210	William E. Fowler
7231	Scattered Sites
7280	Summit Lake Apartments
7290	Honey Locust Apartments
7350	Scattered Sites
7351	Scattered Sites
7400	Crimson Terrace
7420	Dorothy O. Jackson Terrace
7540	Vincent Lobello Lane

g. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to assure access for lower-income families? (select all that apply)

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Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts

List (any applicable) developments below:

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## **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

<ul> <li>What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply)</li> <li>Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation</li> <li>Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or regulation</li> <li>More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors below)</li> <li>Other (list below)</li> </ul>
b. Xes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
. X Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
. X Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply)
Criminal or drug-related activity Other (describe below)

Per the request of a landlord/owner, the AMHA would allow them to view the file information with a voluntary release of information from applicant.

#### (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)

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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:

Extensions are granted if, an applicant is actively searching and is having difficulty locating an acceptable unit or incurs a hardship.

#### (4) Admissions Preferences

a. Income targeting See attachment regarding 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? The new admissions placement target for all Section 8 programs is expected to be approximately 75 to 85% for families at or below 30% of area median income, adjusted for family size. This figure is 0 to 10% higher than federal income targets.

#### b. Preferences

1. X Yes 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 Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below) Applicants not currently living in subsidized or other assisted housing units.

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.

#### 5 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)

- $\boxtimes 2$ Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- $\boxtimes 3$ Veterans and veterans' families
- 4 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
- $\overline{\boxtimes}_1$ Other preference(s) (list below) Applicants not living in subsidized or other assisted housing units.

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

 $\times$ 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)



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- 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
- $\overline{\mathbf{X}}$ Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet incometargeting 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
- $\overline{\times}$ Briefing sessions and written materials
  - Other (list below) Applicant orientation information hand-outs.
- b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?  $\boxtimes$ 
  - Through published notices
  - Other (list below)

Applicants are notified during the voucher issuance briefing. This information will also be supplied to applicants at the applicant orientation.

## 4. PHA Rent Determination Policies

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (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)

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

---or---

The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining income based rent (If selected, continue to question b.)

#### b. Minimum Rent

1. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent?

- \$0
   \$1-\$25
   \$26-\$50
- 2. Yes X No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? Not applicable. AMHA has set minimum rents at \$0
- 3. If yes to question 2, list these policies below:
- c. Rents set at less than 30% than adjusted income
- 1. Yes X No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fixed amount or percentage less than 30% of adjusted income?

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- 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:

 $\times$ 

 $\overline{\mathbb{N}}$ 

- 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)

All income paid to persons outside the family for "child support".

#### 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)
- Not Applicable.
- 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) Not Applicable. The AMHA has not established ceiling rents.
  - Market comparability study
  - Fair market rents (FMR)
  - 95<sup>th</sup> percentile rents
  - 75 percent of operating costs
  - 100 percent of operating costs for general occupancy (family) developments
  - Operating costs plus debt service
  - The "rental value" of the unit
  - Other (list below)
- f. Rent re-determinations:

1. Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or family composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent? select all that apply)

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) Tenants must report all family composition changes to the PHA. Income increases must be reported within 10 days. Exception: Residents who chose flat rent option are not required to report changes. See A & O Policy, **11-5**.
- g. Yes X 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

Due to the late publishing date of the final regulation (March 29,2000), the AMHA will be reviewing and revising the flat rent table contained in the A & O Policy that went into effect January 1, 2000. Until such time, the flat rent option has been put on hold. The AMHA will make this option available to all residents retroactively applied to the required implementation date of October 1, 1999.

- *1*. In setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use to establish comparability? (select all that apply.) *A & O Policy Section 6-14 on hold*.
- The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing: *S8 Rent Reasoner data may be used in establishing scattered-site flat rents.*
- Survey of rents listed in local newspaper
- Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood: *Apartment complexes will be calculated in this manner*.
- Other (list/describe below) Originally, the AMHA performed a cost analysis to determine flat rents in public housing. However, the final rule, published March 29, 2000, states that the only acceptable method of establishing flat rents is a market comparability analysis. Therefore, the AMHA must suspend implementation of the current flat rents while it conducts such an analysis.

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

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

#### (1) Payment Standards

Describe the voucher payment standards and policies.

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

At or above 90% but below100% 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) *Not Applicable.* 
  - 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 sub-market

Other (list below)

c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level? (select all that apply) *Not Applicable.* 

FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area

Reflects market or sub-market

To increase housing options for families

Other (list below)

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

 $\boxtimes$ 

- 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)
- imesSuccess rates of assisted families  $\boxtimes$ 
  - Rent burdens of assisted families
    - Other (list below)

### (2) Minimum Rent

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

imes\$0 \$1-\$25

\$26-\$50

b.  $\hfill \Box$  Yes  $\hfill \Box$  No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? (if yes, list below) Not Applicable.

## **5. Operations and Management**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (e)]

Exemptions from Component 5: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this section. Section 8 only PHAs must complete parts A, B, and C(2)

The AMHA is a HIGH PERFORMING PHA is not required to complete this section of the PLAN. Any information contained in this section is in addition to what is required.

#### A. PHA Management Structure

Describe the PHA's management structure and organization.

(select one)

An organization chart showing the PHA's management structure and organization is attached.

A brief description of the management structure and organization of the PHA follows:

#### **B. HUD Programs Under PHA Management**

List Federal programs administered by the PHA, number of families served at the beginning of the upcoming fiscal year, and expected turnover in each. (Use "NA" to indicate that the PHA does not operate any of the programs listed below.)

Program Name	Units or Families	Expected
	Served at Year	Turnover
	Beginning	
Public Housing	4755	20%
Section 8 Vouchers	2300	
Section 8 Certificates	1000	
Section 8 Mod Rehab	71	
Special Purpose Section	100 Welfare to Work	
8 Certificates/Vouchers	47 Shelter Plus Care	
(list individually)	33 Family Unification	
	50 Family Self-	
	Sufficiency	
Public Housing Drug	8000 Families	
Elimination Program		
(PHDEP)		
SRO	90	200%
Other Federal Programs		
(list individually)		

#### C. Management and Maintenance Policies

List the PHA's public housing management and maintenance policy documents, manuals and handbooks that contain the Agency's rules, standards, and policies that govern maintenance and management of public housing, including a description of any measures necessary for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (which includes cockroach infestation) and the policies governing Section 8 management.

1. Public Housing:

Admissions & Occupancy Policy (includes Pet Policy and Grievance procedures) Maintenance Operations Manual (includes pest control policy) Housing Operations Desk Reference

2. Section 8 Management:

Section 8 Administrative Plan Admissions & Occupancy Policy (regarding tenant selection)

## 6. PHA Grievance Procedures

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (f)]

Exemptions from component 6: High performing PHAs are not required to complete component 6. Section 8-Only PHAs are exempt from sub-component 6A.

The AMHA is a HIGH PERFORMING PHA is not required to complete this section of the PLAN. Any information contained in this section is in addition to what is required.

#### A. Public Housing

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established any written grievance procedures in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR Part 966, Subpart B, for residents of public housing? *See A & O Policy, Chapter 13* 

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

- 2. Which PHA office should residents or applicants to public housing contact to initiate the PHA grievance process? (select all that apply)
  - PHA main administrative office at 100 West Cedar Street, Akron
  - PHA development management offices
    - Other (list below)

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

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established informal review procedures for applicants to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program and informal hearing procedures for families assisted by the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR 982? See S8 Administrative Plan, Chapter 19

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

2. Which PHA office should applicants or assisted families contact to initiate the informal review and informal hearing processes? (select all that apply)

PHA main administrative office at 100 West Cedar Street, Akron

Other (list below)

## 7. Capital Improvement Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (g)]

#### AMHA Capital Improvements:

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority's public housing property assets are a valuable housing resource to the low-income residents of Summit County, Ohio. Without quality public housing units for rent, the affordable housing options and quality housing choices, especially for extremely low-income families, elderly and disabled persons, would be quite limited. The capital improvements program, run by the AMHA, is critical to the long-term viability of the housing stock reserved for use by these families. An aggressive modernization program, limited only by the funds provided by the Department of HUD, contributes greatly to enhancing the quality of life, not only for those families participating in the program, but also for the community at-large. It is essential that the capital funds allocated by the federal government remain at sufficient levels in order to sustain the improvements planned throughout the period of the Plan, and beyond. The AMHA has several major modernization projects underway. The elderly/disabled apartment buildings located on Buchtel and Cotter streets in Akron, are currently being renovated. Joy Park Homes, located between Fuller and Kelly avenues in east Akron, is also receiving a complete renovation. Numerous scattered-site dwellings, predominately singlefamily homes, are in the process of having lead-based paint abated, as well as various structural and mechanical items updated. Elizabeth Park Homes, located on East North Street, has 134

dwelling units approved for demolition. The redevelopment of the remaining dwelling units is in the planning stage. Hopefully, a Hope VI grant can be secured so that a complete redevelopment of the project can take place. Several dozen scattered site dwelling units are to be modernized during the next five years. The modernization of all elderly housing developments, located in the City of Akron, should be completed over the next five years. Family developments will be substantially completed during the same time period. Approximately fifty million dollars will be spent on capital improvement projects during this time period. This figure is contingent upon approved appropriations and the passage of a new capital allocation plan by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

#### Lead-Based Paint and Other Hazardous Materials:

The AMHA is also expecting to continue its lead-based paint and asbestos abatement efforts. Most of this activity is targeted for single-family homes located in the City of Akron. A more aggressive scheduled is expected during the next two fiscal years.

#### Accessible Housing:

Section 504 and ADA accessibility policies and strategies are addressed in a Transition Plan and Policy available for review at the AMHA. These policies will be reviewed periodically to assure they are meeting the needs of the community and the residents served by the housing authority. Additionally, conversion of standard housing to accessible and specially designed housing for persons with disabilities will continue to be part of the AMHA comprehensive modernization process. Over the next five years the AMHA expects to convert approximately 5% of the dwelling units undergoing modernization. The exact figure will depend on the final A & E plans for each project. Accessibility concerns remain a high priority to the Agency.

#### A. Capital Fund Activities

Exemptions from sub-component 7A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may skip to component 7B. All other PHAs must complete 7A as instructed.

#### (1) Capital Fund Program Annual Statement

Using parts I, II, and III of the Annual Statement for the Capital Fund Program (CFP), identify capital activities the PHA is proposing for the upcoming year to ensure long-term physical and social viability of its public housing developments. This statement can be completed by using the CFP Annual Statement tables provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR**, at the PHA's option, by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52837.

Select one:

The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) **OH007a01** 

-or-

 $\mathbf{X}$ 

The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP Annual Statement from the Table Library and insert here)

#### (2) Optional 5-Year Action Plan

Agencies are encouraged to include a 5-Year Action Plan covering capital work items. This statement can be completed by using the 5 Year Action Plan table provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR** by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52834.

The AMHA understands that the 5-Year Action Statement is not optional for July 1 PHAs. Therefore, an Action Plan has been added which itemizes, by development number and name, those major work items that are to be started at some time during the remaining four years of the 5-Year Plan period. Revisions to the Action Plan are expected each year because of the fluctuations in funding from HUD.

a. X Yes No: Is the PHA providing an optional 5-Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund? (if no, skip to sub-component 7B)

b. If yes to question a, select one:

The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) **OH007a2** 

-or-

The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP optional 5 Year Action Plan from the Table Library and insert here)

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

Applicability of sub-component 7B: 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.

- Yes No: a) Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to question c; if yes, provide responses to question b 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)
  - 1. Development name: *Elizabeth Park*
  - 2. Development (project) number:OH007 001
  - 3. Status of grant: (select the statement that best describes the current status)
    - Revitalization Plan under development
    - Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval
    - Revitalization Plan approved
    - Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway: Demolition grant (only) approved by HUD, specifications being developed for abatement and demolition.
- Yes No: c) Does the PHA plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year? If yes, list development name/s below: *OH007 001 Elizabeth Park*
- Yes ⋈ No: d) 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:
- Yes ⋈ No: e) 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:

## **8. Demolition and Disposition**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (h)]	
Applicability of component	at 8: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.
1. X Yes No:	Does the PHA plan to conduct any demolition or disposition activities (pursuant to section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437p)) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If "No", skip to component 9; if "yes", complete one activity description for each development.)

### 2. Activity Description

Yes No: Has the PHA provided the activities description information in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If "yes", skip to component 9. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.)

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: Joy Park Homes
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-014
2. Activity type: Demolition $\boxtimes$
Disposition
3. Application status (select one)
Approved 🖂
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (19/07/1999)
5. Number of units affected: 12 32 Units approved, 20 already razed.
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity: <i>Remaining units expected to be razed prior to</i>
the start of FY 2001
b. Projected end date of activity:

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: <i>Elizabeth Park Homes</i>
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-001
2. Activity type: Demolition $\boxtimes$
Disposition
3. Application status (select one)
Approved 🖂
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (24/04/1998)
5. Number of units affected: 134
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity: Demolition is scheduled to begin in FY 2001
and take two years to complete due to funding constraints and hazardous material
abatement prior to razing the buildings.
b. b. Projected end date of activity:

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: Scattered Sites
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-008, 011, 013
2. Activity type: Demolition $\boxtimes$
Disposition
3. Application status (select one)
Approved 🔀
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (February 24, 1999)
5. Number of units affected: <b>3</b>
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity: Demolition of the units is expected to take
place prior to the start of FY 2001
b. b. Projected end date of activity:

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: Scattered Sites
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-008
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: (Planned Application
<u>April 2000)</u>
5. Number of units affected:4
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. b. Projected end date of activity:

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: Norton Homes (Barberton, Ohio
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-002
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: (date to be determined)
5. Number of units affected: 4
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development: 2 buildings with two 4 bedroom units each
Total development
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity: Application to be filed in March 2000
b. b. Projected end date of activity: Demolition, if approved, 1st quarter FY2001

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description
1a. Development name: Scattered Sites
1b. Development (project) number: OH12P007-011
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: (Planned Application
<u>April 2000)</u>
5. Number of units affected: 3
6. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development:
7. Timeline for activity:
a. Actual or projected start date of activity: Application to be filed in March 2000
b. b. Projected end date of activity: Demolition, if approved, 2qt quarter FY2001

## 9. Designation of Public Housing for Occupancy by Elderly Families or Families with Disabilities or Elderly Families and Families with Disabilities

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (i)]

Exemptions from Component 9; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

1. Yes No: Has the PHA designated or applied for approval to designate or does the PHA plan to apply to designate any public housing for occupancy only by the elderly families or only by families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities or will apply for designation for occupancy by only elderly families or only families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities as provided by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e) in the upcoming fiscal year? (If "No", skip to component 10. If "yes", complete one activity description for each development, unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission; PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 10.

AMHA may develop a designation plan in the future, pending the outcome of feasibility and best use studies.

#### 2. Activity Description

Yes No:

Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 10. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.

Designation of Public Housing Activity Description
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Designation type:
Occupancy by only the elderly
Occupancy by families with disabilities
Occupancy by only elderly families and families with disabilities
3. Application status (select one)
Approved; included in the PHA's Designation Plan
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application
4. Date this designation approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)

5. If approved, will this designation constitute a (select one)
New Designation Plan
Revision of a previously approved Designation Plan?
6. Number of units affected:
7. Coverage of action (select one)
Part of the development
Total development

## **10. Conversion of Public Housing to Tenant-Based Assistance**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (j)]

Exemptions from Component 10; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

#### A. Assessments of Reasonable Revitalization Pursuant to section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act

1. Yes No: Have any of the PHA's developments or portions of developments been identified by HUD or the PHA as covered under section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act? (If "No", skip to component 11; if "yes", complete one activity description for each identified development, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11.) *The AMHA may develop a conversion plan in the future.* 

2. Activity Description

Yes No:

Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 11. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.

Conversion of Public Housing Activity Description
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. What is the status of the required assessment?
Assessment underway
Assessment results submitted to HUD
Assessment results approved by HUD (if marked, proceed to next question)
Other (explain below)
3. Yes No: Is a Conversion Plan required? (If yes, go to block 4; if no, go to
block 5.)
4. Status of Conversion Plan (select the statement that best describes the current status)
Conversion Plan in development
Conversion Plan submitted to HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY)
Conversion Plan approved by HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY)
Activities pursuant to HUD-approved Conversion Plan underway

5. Description of how requirements of Section 202 are being satisfied by means other than
conversion (select one)
Units addressed in a pending or approved demolition application (date
submitted or approved:
Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI demolition application
(date submitted or approved: )
Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI Revitalization Plan (date
submitted or approved: )
Requirements no longer applicable: vacancy rates are less than 10 percent
Requirements no longer applicable: site now has less than 300 units
Other: (describe below)

### B. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 22 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

### C. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 33 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

## 11. Homeownership Programs Administered by the PHA

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (k)]

# The AMHA expects to develop a homeownership program at some in the future.

#### A. Public Housing

Exemptions from Component 11A: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete 11A.

1. Yes X No: Does the PHA administer any homeownership programs administered by the PHA under an approved section 5(h) homeownership program (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), or an approved HOPE I program (42 U.S.C. 1437aaa) or has the PHA applied or plan to apply to administer any homeownership programs under section 5(h), the HOPE I program, or section 32 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437z-4). (If "No", skip to component 11B; if "yes", complete one activity description for each applicable program/plan, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to small PHA or high performing PHA status. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11B.) AMHA is a high performing PHA

## 2. Activity Description

Yes No:

Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If "yes", skip to component 12. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.)

Public Housing Homeownership Activity Description (Complete one for each development affected)
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Federal Program authority:
HOPE I
5(h)
Turnkey III
Section 32 of the USHA of 1937 (effective 10/1/99)
3. Application status: (select one)
Approved; included in the PHA's Homeownership Plan/Program
Submitted, pending approval
Planned application

4. Date Homeownership Plan/Program approved, submitted, or planned for submission:					
(DD/MM/YYYY)					
5. Number of units affected:					
6. Coverage of action: (select one)					
Part of the development					
Total development					

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

- 1. X Yes No: Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as implemented by 24 CFR part 982 ? (If "No", skip to component 12; if "yes", describe each program using the table below (copy and complete questions for each program identified), unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to high performer status. **High performing PHAs** may skip to component 12.) **AMHA is a high performing PHA**
- 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, which statement best describes the number of participants? (select one)

- 25 or fewer participants
- 26 50 participants
  - 51 to 100 participants
  - more than 100 participants

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:

## **12. PHA Community Service and Self-sufficiency Programs**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (l)]

Exemptions from Component 12: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component. Section 8-Only PHAs are not required to complete sub-component C.

## The AMHA is a HIGH-PERFORMING PHA and is not required to complete this section.

#### A. PHA Coordination with the Welfare (TANF) Agency

1. Cooperative agreements:

Yes No: Has the PHA has entered into a cooperative agreement with the TANF Agency, to share information and/or target supportive services (as contemplated by section 12(d)(7) of the Housing Act of 1937)?

If yes, what was the date that agreement was signed? DD/MM/YY

2. Other coordination efforts between the PHA and TANF agency (select all that apply)

- Client referrals
- Information sharing regarding mutual clients (for rent determinations and otherwise)

Coordinate the provision of specific social and self-sufficiency services and programs to eligible families

- Jointly administer programs
  - Partner to administer a HUD Welfare-to-Work voucher program
  - Joint administration of other demonstration program
  - Other (describe)

#### B. Services and programs offered to residents and participants

#### (1) General

a. Self-Sufficiency Policies

Which, if any of the following discretionary policies will the PHA employ to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families in the following areas? (select all that apply)

- Public housing rent determination policies
- Public housing admissions policies
- Section 8 admissions policies
- Preference in admission to section 8 for certain public housing families
- Preferences for families working or engaging in training or education programs
- for non-housing programs operated or coordinated by the PHA
- Preference/eligibility for public housing homeownership option participation

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Preference/eligibility for section 8 homeownership option participation
Other policies (list below)

- b. Economic and Social self-sufficiency programs
- Yes No:

 Does the PHA coordinate, promote or provide any programs to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of residents? (If "yes", complete the following table; if "no" skip to sub-component 2, Family Self Sufficiency Programs. The position of the table may be altered to facilitate its use. )

#### **Services and Programs**

A list of programs and services is available upon request. Please contact the Resident Supportive Services department at the central administrative office for a current copy.

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	Estimated	Allocation	Access	Eligibility
	Size	Method	(development office /	(public housing or
		(waiting	PHA main office / other	section 8
		list/random	provider name)	participants or
		selection/specific		both)
		criteria/other)		

#### (2) Family Self Sufficiency program/s

#### a. Participation Description

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Participation						
Program	Required Number of Participants (start of FY 2000 Estimate)	Actual Number of Participants (As of: 6/02/00)				
Public Housing						
Section 8						

b. Yes No: If the PHA is not maintaining the minimum program size required by HUD, does the most recent FSS Action Plan address the steps the PHA plans to take to achieve at least the minimum program size? If no, list steps the PHA will take below:

#### C. Welfare Benefit Reductions

- 1. The PHA is complying with the statutory requirements of section 12(d) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (relating to the treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements) by: (select all that apply)
- Adopting appropriate changes to the PHA's public housing rent determination policies and train staff to carry out those policies
  - Informing residents of new policy on admission and reexamination
  - Actively notifying residents of new policy at times in addition to admission and reexamination.
  - Establishing or pursuing a cooperative agreement with all appropriate TANF agencies regarding the exchange of information and coordination of services
    - Establishing a protocol for exchange of information with all appropriate TANF agencies Other: (list below)

**D.** Reserved for Community Service Requirement pursuant to section 12(c) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

## **13. PHA Safety and Crime Prevention Measures**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (m)]

Exemptions from Component 13: High performing and small PHAs not participating in PHDEP and Section 8 Only PHAs may skip to component 15. High Performing and small PHAs that are participating in PHDEP and are submitting a PHDEP Plan with this PHA Plan may skip to sub-component D.

The AMHA is a HIGH-PERFORMING PHA and is not required to complete this section. Any information contained in this section is in addition to what is required.

The AMHA is a HIGH PERFORMING PHA participating in PHDEP. A PHDEP PLAN is included in this document. See attachments **OH007a03**, **a04**, **a05**, **and a06**.

#### A. Need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents

- 1. Describe the need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents (select all that apply)
- High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in some or all of the PHA's developments
- High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in the areas surrounding or adjacent to the PHA's developments
  - Residents fearful for their safety and/or the safety of their children
  - Observed lower-level crime, vandalism and/or graffiti
  - People on waiting list unwilling to move into one or more developments due to perceived and/or actual levels of violent and/or drug-related crime
- Other (describe below)
- 2. What information or data did the PHA used to determine the need for PHA actions to improve safety of residents (select all that apply).

Safety and security survey of residents
Analysis of crime statistics over time for crimes committed "in and around" public
housing authority
Analysis of cost trends over time for repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti
Resident reports
PHA employee reports
Police reports
Demonstrable, quantifiable success with previous or ongoing anticrime/anti drug
programs
Other (describe below)

3. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

## **B.** Crime and Drug Prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake in the next PHA fiscal year

1. List the crime prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake: (select all that apply)

- Contracting with outside and/or resident organizations for the provision of crime- and/or drug-prevention activities
  - Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
  - Activities targeted to at-risk youth, adults, or seniors
  - Volunteer Resident Patrol/Block Watchers Program
  - Other (describe below)
- 2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

#### C. Coordination between PHA and the police

1. Describe the coordination between the PHA and the appropriate police precincts for carrying out crime prevention measures and activities: (select all that apply)

$\boxtimes$	Police involvement in development, implementation, and/or ongoing evaluation of drug					
	elimination plan					
	Police provide crime data to housing authority staff for analysis and action					

- Police have established a physical presence on housing authority property (e.g., community policing office, officer in residence)
- Police regularly testify in and otherwise support eviction cases
- Police regularly meet with the PHA management and residents
- Agreement between PHA and local law enforcement agency for provision of abovebaseline law enforcement services
- Other activities (list below)
- 2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

#### D. Additional information as required by PHDEP/PHDEP Plan

PHAs eligible for FY 2000 PHDEP funds must provide a PHDEP Plan meeting specified requirements prior to receipt of PHDEP funds.

Yes No: Is the PHA eligible to participate in the PHDEP in the fiscal year covered by this PHA Plan?

Yes 🔀	No: Ha	s the PHA	included	the PHDE	P Plan for	FY 2000 in	this PHA Plan?
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Yes No: This PHDEP Plan is an Attachment.(Attachment Filename: **OH007a03**)

## **14. RESERVED FOR PET POLICY**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (n)]

The AMHA will be amending its Pet Policy pending final regulations from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## **15.** Civil Rights Certifications

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (o)]

Civil rights certifications are included in the PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations. See attachment **OH007a4**.

## 16. Fiscal Audit

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (p)]

See attachment **OH007a07** for a copy of the AMHA FY 2001 Consolidated Budget Summary.

1.	Yes	No: Is the PHA required to have an audit conducted under section						
		5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U S.C. 1437c(h))?						
		(If no, skip to component 17.)						
2. 🛛	Yes	No: Was the most recent fiscal audit submitted to HUD?						
3.	Yes 🔀	No: Were there any findings as the result of that audit?						
4.	Yes	No: If there were any findings, do any remain unresolved?						
		If yes, how many unresolved findings remain?						
5.	Yes	No: Have responses to any unresolved findings been submitted to HUD?						
		If not, when are they due (state below)?						

## **<u>17. PHA Asset Management</u>**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (q)]

Exemptions from component 17: Section 8 Only PHAs are not required to complete this component. High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component.

The AMHA is a HIGH PERFORMING PHA and is not required to complete this section. Any information included in this section is in addition to what is required.

- 1. X Yes No: Is the PHA engaging in any activities that will contribute to the long-term asset management of its public housing stock , including how the Agency will plan for long-term operating, capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, disposition, and other needs that have **not** been addressed elsewhere in this PHA Plan?
- 1. What types of asset management activities will the PHA undertake? (select all that apply)
  - Not applicable

- Private management
- Development-based accounting
- Comprehensive stock assessment See comments below.
- Other: (list below)

The AMHA is building a comprehensive database containing all property asset information and major structural and mechanical life cycle data. The Plan calls for the AMHA to conduct a "Best Use" and a property valuation analysis.

3. Yes No: Has the PHA included descriptions of asset management activities in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table?

The AMHA is in the process of creating a comprehensive asset management database and has elected not to submit the optional tables provided by HUD.

## **18. Other Information**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

#### A. Resident Advisory Board Recommendations

- 1. Yes No: Did the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s? However, the AMHA did receive a letter of support from ACAN (RAB). See attachment **OH007a05.**
- 2. If yes, the comments are: (if comments were received, the PHA MUST select one)
  - Attached at Attachment (File name)
  - Provided below:

3. 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)

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The ACAN members in attendance were concerned about the possibility of creating designated housing. The administration assured the group that and formation of a *designated housing plan* would only be done after appropriate studies were conducted and, in consultation with residents and advocacy groups. Other topics of discussion were: capital items underway or that are planned for FY2001, pet policy changes, and community service requirements. There were no adverse comments to the Plans.

#### A. Description of Election process for Residents on the PHA Board

A resident has not been elected to the current AMHA Board of Trustees. The AMHA is in the process of determining the proper method of accomplishing this requirement.

1. Yes No: Does the PHA meet the exemption criteria provided section 2(b)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937? (If no, continue to question 2; if yes, skip to sub-component C.)

- 2. Yes No: Was the resident who serves on the PHA Board elected by the residents? (If yes, continue to question 3; if no, skip to sub-component C.)
- 3. Description of Resident Election Process

a. 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)
- b. 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)

c. 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)

#### C. Statement of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

For each applicable Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times as necessary).

1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: City of Akron

See attachment OH007a04 for certification.

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

The "preference" statements contained in the public housing section of the Consolidated Plan is not up-to-date. The City of Akron is aware of the need to amend these comments.

- The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s. Census data also was used.
- The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.

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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)

- a) Lead-based paint abatement
- b) Section 8 rental voucher program
- c) Possible public housing development
- d) Capital program
- e) Needs assessment

Other: (list below)

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

The Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority has not requested any financial assistance or specific supportive programs from the City of Akron. However, the housing activities identified in the City's Consolidated Plan, are consistent with AMHA programs and objectives. The following activities are of mutual concern to both the AMHA and the City of Akron: 1) Creation of homeownership programs, 2) Supports additional vouchers, 3) Supports income targets and de-concentration, 4) Working cooperatively with the AMHA on lead-based paint abatement activities, 5) Supports the demolition of obsolete dwelling units, 6) Supports the development of additional low-income rental housing, especially in non traditional areas, 7) Supports the modernization efforts at all AMHA developments, 8) Agrees to participate in a comprehensive needs assessment study, 9) Housing trends and needs are consistent with AMHA stated needs, 10) Agreed to meet with the AMHA on a regular bases to coordinate activities of mutual interest.

- 1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: *County of Summit* See attachment OH007a04 for certification.
- 2. The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
- The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction 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.

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Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)

- a) Needs assessment study
- b) Weatherization program
- c) Lead-based paint abatement program
- d) Resident economic development activities
- e) Welfare-to Work Program
- f) Strategies to assist seniors and S.504 efforts
- Other: (list below)
- 3. The Consolidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following actions and commitments: (describe below)

Whereas the County of Summit has not committed any CDGB funds to AMHA related activities (no request was made by the housing authority for the upcoming fiscal year), the housing strategies targeted to low-income families in their jurisdiction area are consistent and compatible with the AMHA's Plans. The collaborative efforts, made by each organization, are producing many community benefits. The County of Summit and the AMHA have agreed to work cooperatively on needs assessment, economic development activities for low-income families, weatherization activities, lead-based paint abatement, welfare-to-work activities, homeownership program development, data sharing, mapping needs and assisted-housing development.

#### 1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: *City of Barberton*

The AMHA has been working closely with the City of Barberton on the development of their new Consolidated Plan and the AMHAs Plans. A certification of consistency is attached in OH007a04.

- 2. The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
- The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s.
- The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.
- The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development of this PHA Plan.
- Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)

The AMHA will work cooperatively with the Barberton Planning department to reassess the housing needs of low-income families. The City of Barberton has applied for a technology grant to develop public access web locations. The AMHA will participate if the grant is secured. The Capital improvement activities and demolition related activities in Barberton support the efforts being made in the city. Both organizations have agreed to discuss future development activities in Barberton. Assisted elderly housing possibilities are of mutual interest.

Other: (list below)

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

#### D. Other Information Required by HUD

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

No additional information is currently being requested by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.