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Resolution to Amend the Administrative Plan Regarding Chapter 4: Applications, Waiting List, and Tenant Selection.

The Ann Arbor Housing Commission (AAHC) Housing Choice Voucher program receives targeted funding to administer four special purpose voucher programs. Of those special purpose vouchers, AAHC administer two Mainstream Voucher programs; which are referred to as Category 1 NED vouchers and 2017 NED vouchers. In addition, the AAHC applied for 2019 NED vouchers but HUD has not yet sent out award letters.

Staff recommend, adding language to better define the eligibility criteria for Category 1 Non-Elderly Disabled vouchers. Category 1 NED vouchers are designated for eligible non-elderly disabled persons or family where the head, co-head, or spouse is a non-elderly disabled person.

Staff recommend, adding language to the administrative plan to include a definition for eligibility for the 2017 & 2019 Non-Elderly Disabled vouchers. 2017 & 2019 NED vouchers are designated to eligible households with one or more non-elderly disabled adults. The eligibility criteria are extended to include non-elderly persons with disabilities who are or at risk of transitioning out of institutions, currently are or at risk of experiencing homelessness, or previously experienced homelessness and currently a client in a permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing project.

Current PHA Policy related to Special Admissions

PART III: SELECTION FOR HCV ASSISTANCE 4-III.B. SELECTION AND HCV FUNDING SOURCES

Special Admissions [24 CFR 982.203]

HUD may award funding for specifically-named families living in specified types of units (e.g., a family that is displaced by demolition of public housing; a non-purchasing family residing in a HOPE 1 or 2 projects). In these cases, the PHA may admit such families whether or not they are on the waiting list, and, if they are on the waiting list, without considering the family's position on the waiting list. These families are considered non-waiting list selections. The PHA must maintain records showing that such families were admitted with special program funding.

Targeted Funding [24 CFR 982.204(e)]

HUD may award a PHA funding for a specified category of families on the waiting list. The PHA must use this funding only to assist the families within the specified category. In order to assist families within a targeted funding category, the PHA may skip families that do not qualify within the targeted funding category. Within this category of families, the order in which such families are assisted is determined according to the policies provided in Section 4-III.C.

PHA Policy

The PHA administers the following types of targeted funding:

- 1. Veterans Assistance Supporting Housing (VASH)
 - a. Homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
- 2. Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers (2009 Category 1)
 - a. Category 1 vouchers enable non-elderly persons or families with disabilities to access affordable housing on the private market.
- 3. Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers (2017 Mainstream Voucher Program)
 - a. 2017 Mainstream vouchers enable any household that includes one or more non-elderly person with disabilities, instead of only those families with a head, co-head, or spouse that a person with disabilities.
- 4. Rental Assistance Demonstration Project-Based Vouchers (RAD PBV)
- 5. Family Unification Program
 - i. Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in:
 - 1. The imminent placement of the family's child or children in out-of-home care, or
 - 2. The delay in the discharge of the child or children to the family from out-of-home care.
 - 3. There is no time limitation on FUP family vouchers.
 - ii. For a period not to exceed 36 months, otherwise eligible youths who have attained at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age and who have left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act, and is homeless or is at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older.
- 6. Continuum of Care

Proposed PHA Policy Related to NED Special Admissions

2. Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers (2009 Category 1)

- a. Category 1 vouchers enable non-elderly disabled persons or families with a head, co-head, or spouse that a person with disabilities to access affordable housing on the private market.
- 3. Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers (2017 & 2019 Mainstream Voucher Program)
 - a. 2017 & 2019 Mainstream vouchers enable any household that includes one or more nonelderly person with disabilities, instead of only those families with a head, co-head, or spouse that is a person with disability.
 - b. In addition, 2017 & 2019 Mainstream voucher includes non-elderly persons with disabilities who are transitioning out of institutional or other segregated settings, at serious risk of institutionalization, currently experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of experiencing homelessness.

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WHEREAS, The Ann Arbor Housing Commission's Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan details its policies and procedures for the management of its Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program; and

WHEREAS, The AAHC has included in its administrative plan language that defines the eligibility criteria for targeted funding program Mainstream Vouchers; and

WHEREAS, The AAHC recommend that the board amend the Administrative Plan to clarify the eligibility criteria for Category 1 NED vouchers; and

WHEREAS, The AAHC recommends that the board amend the Administrative Plan to include the additional criteria for eligible for the 2017 & 2019 NED Voucher program; and

RESOLVED, that the Board of the Ann Arbor Housing Commission approve the revisions to the Administrative Plan as described in the memorandum above to take effect November 1, 2019