

## **ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION**

## July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 One Year Annual Plan And MTW Supplement Plan

# Streamlined Annual PHA Plan (HCV Only PHAs) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing OMB No. 2577-0226 Expires 03/31/2024

**Purpose.** The 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans provide a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, including changes to these policies, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA's mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families

**Applicability.** The Form HUD-50075-HCV is to be completed annually by **HCV-Only PHAs**. PHAs that meet the definition of a Standard PHA, Troubled PHA, High Performer PHA, Small PHA, or Qualified PHA do not need to submit this form. Where applicable, separate Annual PHA Plan forms are available for each of these types of PHAs.

#### Definitions.

- (1) *High-Performer PHA* A PHA that owns or manages more than 550 combined public housing units and housing choice vouchers, and was designated as a high performer on both the most recent Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) and Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) assessments if administering both programs, or PHAS if only administering public housing.
- (2) Small PHA A PHA that is not designated as PHAS or SEMAP troubled, that owns or manages less than 250 public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550.
- (3) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Only PHA A PHA that administers more than 550 HCVs, was not designated as troubled in its most recent SEMAP assessment and does not own or manage public housing.
- (4) Standard PHA A PHA that owns or manages 250 or more public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550, and that was designated as a standard performer in the most recent PHAS and SEMAP assessments.
- (5) Troubled PHA A PHA that achieves an overall PHAS or SEMAP score of less than 60 percent.
- (6) Qualified PHA A PHA with 550 or fewer public housing dwelling units and/or housing choice vouchers combined and is not PHAS or SEMAP troubled.

Α.	PHA Information.				
A.1	PHA Name: ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): 07/01/224 PHA Inventory (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above) Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) 2205 PHA Plan Submission Type: Annual Submission Revised Annual Submission  Availability of Information. In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information of the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official website.				
	Participating PHAs  Lead HA:	PHA Code	Program(s) in the Consortia	Program(s) not in the Consortia	No. of Units in Each Program

В.	Plan Elements.			
B.1	Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.			
	a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?			
	Y N			
	☐ ☑ Significant Amendment/Modification.  (b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s): See attachment			
B.2	New Activities. – Not Applicable			
B.3	Progress Report.			
	Provide a description of the PHA's progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan.			
B.4	Capital Improvements. – Not Applicable			
B.5	Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.			
	(a) Were there any findings in the most recent FY Audit?			
	Y N N/A			
	(b) If yes, please describe:			
С.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.			
C.1	Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.			
	(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the PHA Plan?			
	Y N			
	(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.			
C.2	Certification by State or Local Officials.			
	Form HUD 50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.			
C.3	Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan.			
	Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.			
C.4	Challenged Elements. If any element of the PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public.  (a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan?  Y N  If yes, include Challenged Elements.			

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).  Provide a statement of the PHA's strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted Assessment of Fair Housing  AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals as necessary to overcome fair
ousing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete th hart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for urther detail on completing this item.
Fair Housing Goal:
Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal
Encourage accessible affordable housing units near transit or other key services at activity centers through zoning changes. Support local units to implement zoning strategies to develop housing products in single family neighborhoods. Encourge the use of publicly owned land in high opportunity markets for affordable housing or proceeds go toward affordable housing. Prioritize public subsidies/incentives for affordable housing developments in high opportunity markets. For publicly supported housing, coordinate rental inspections process between HUD, MSHDA, and local regulations to avoid duplicative administrative burden.
Fair Housing Goal:  Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal
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## Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-HCV Annual PHA Plan for HCV-Only PHAs

A.

B.

PHA	A Information. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.4)
A.1	Include the full PHA Name, PHA Code, PHA Type, PHA Fiscal Year Beginning (MM/YYYY), Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs), PHA Plan Submission Type, and the Availability of Information, specific location(s) of all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan.
	PHA Consortia: Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete the table. (24 CFR §943.128(a))
Pla	n Elements. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3))
<b>B.1</b>	Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements. PHAs must:
	Identify specifically which plan elements listed below that have been revised by the PHA. To specify which elements have been revised, mark the "yes" box. If an element has not been revised, mark "no."
	□ Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. Provide a statement addressing the housing needs of low-income, ver low-income and extremely low-income families and a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families who reside in the jurisdiction served by the PHA and other families who are on the Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement must identify the housing needs of (i) families with incomes below 30 percent of area median income (extremely low-income); (ii) elderly families (iii) households with individuals with disabilities, and households of various races and ethnic groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the public housing and Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement of housing needs shall be based on information provided by the applicable Consolidated Plan, information provided by HUD, and generally available data. The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. Once the PHA has submitted an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), which includes an assessment of disproportionate housin needs in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154(d)(2)(iv), information on households with individuals with disabilities and households of various races and ethn groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the waiting lists no longer needs to be included in the Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. (24 CFR § 903.7(a)).
	The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(ii) Provide a description of the ways in which the PHA intends, to the maximum extent practicable, to address those housing needs in the upcoming year and the PHA's reasons for choosing its strategy. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(ii))
	☑ Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. A statement of the PHA's policies that govern resident or tenant eligibility, selection and admission including admission preferences for HCV. (24 CFR §903.7(b))
	☑ Financial Resources. A statement of financial resources, including a listing by general categories, of the PHA's anticipated resources, such as PHA HCV funding and other anticipated Federal resources available to the PHA, as well as tenant rents and other income available to support tenant-based assistance. The statement also should include the non-Federal sources of funds supporting each Federal program, and state the planned use for the resources. (24 CFR §903.7(c))
	☑ Rent Determination. A statement of the policies of the PHA governing rental contributions of families receiving tenant-based assistance, discretionary minimum tenant rents, and payment standard policies. (24 CFR §903.7(d))
	Operation and Management. A statement that includes a description of PHA management organization, and a listing of the programs administered by the PHA. (24 CFR §903.7(e)).
	☐ <b>Informal Review and Hearing Procedures.</b> A description of the informal hearing and review procedures that the PHA makes available to its applicants. (24 CFR §903.7(f))
	✓ Homeownership Programs. A statement describing any homeownership programs (including project number and unit count) administered by the agency under section 8y of the 1937 Act, or for which the PHA has applied or will apply for approval. (24 CFR §903.7(k))
	Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements. A description of any PHA programs relating to services and amenities coordinated, promoted, or provided by the PHA for assisted families, including those resulting from the PHA's partnership with other entities, for the enhancement of the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families, including programs provided or offered as a result of the PHA's partnerships with other entities, and activities subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 (24 CFR Part 135) and under requirements for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program and others. Include the program's size (including required and actual size of the FSS program) and means of allocating assistance to households. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(i)) Describe how the PHA will comply with the requirements of section 12(c) and (d) of the 1937 Act that relate to treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(iii)).
	☐ Substantial Deviation. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "substantial deviation" to its 5-Year Plan. (24 CFR §903.7(r)(2)(i))
	☐ <b>Significant Amendment/Modification</b> . PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "Significant Amendment or Modification" to its 5-Year and Annual Plan.
	If any hoxes are marked "ves" describe the revision(s) to those element(s) in the space provided

- B.2 New Activities. This section refers to new capital activities which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs.
- **B.3 Progress Report.** For all Annual Plans following submission of the first Annual Plan, a PHA must include a brief statement of the PHA's progress in meeting the mission and goals described in the 5-Year PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3), 24 CFR §903.7(r)(1))
- **B.4** Capital Improvements. This section refers to PHAs that receive funding from the Capital Fund Program (CFP) which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs
- **B.5 Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.** If the results of the most recent fiscal year audit for the PHA included any findings, mark "yes" and describe those findings in the space provided. (24 CFR §903.7(p))

#### C. Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.

- C.1 Resident Advisory Board (RAB) comments. If the RAB had comments on the annual plan, mark "yes," submit the comments as an attachment to the Plan and describe the analysis of the comments and the PHA's decision made on these recommendations. (24 CFR §903.13(c), 24 CFR §903.19)
- C.2 Certification by State of Local Officials. Form HUD-50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.15). Note: A PHA may request to change its fiscal year to better coordinate its planning with planning done under the Consolidated Plan process by State or local officials as applicable.
- C.3 Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan. Provide a certification that the following plan elements have been revised, provided to the RAB for comment before implementation, approved by the PHA board, and made available for review and inspection by the public. This requirement is satisfied by completing and submitting form HUD-50077 ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed. Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. This includes all certifications relating to Civil Rights and related regulations. A PHA will be considered in compliance with the certification requirement to affirmatively further fair housing if the PHA fulfills the requirements of §§ 903.7(o)(1) and 903.15(d) and: (i) examines its programs or proposed programs; (ii) identifies any fair housing issues and contributing factors within those programs, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154; or 24 CFR 5.160(a)(3) as applicable (iii) specifies actions and strategies designed to address contributing factors, related fair housing issues, and goals in the applicable Assessment of Fair Housing consistent with 24 CFR 5.154 in a reasonable manner in view of the resources available; (iv) works with jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; (v) operates programs in a manner consistent with any applicable consolidated plan under 24 CFR part 91, and with any order or agreement, to comply with the authorities specified in paragraph (o)(1) of this section; (vi) complies with any contribution or consultation requirement with respect to any applicable AFH, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.150 through 5.180; (vii) maintains records reflecting these analyses, actions, and the results of these actions; and (viii) takes steps acceptable to HUD to remedy known fair housing or civil rights violations. impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with the local jurisdiction to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing; and assures that the annual plan is consistent with any applicable Consolidated Plan for its jurisdiction. (24 CFR §903.7(o)).
  - C.4 Challenged Elements. If any element of the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment to the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public.

#### D. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

D.1 Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. The PHA will use the answer blocks in item D.1 to provide a statement of its strategies and actions to implement each fair housing goal outlined in its accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5) that states, in relevant part: "To implement goals and priorities in an AFH, strategies and actions shall be included in program participants' ... PHA Plans (including any plans incorporated therein) .... Strategies and actions must affirmatively further fair housing ...." Use the chart provided to specify each fair housing goal from the PHA's AFH for which the PHA is the responsible program participant – whether the AFH was prepared solely by the PHA, jointly with one or more other PHAs, or in collaboration with a state or local jurisdiction – and specify the fair housing strategies and actions to be implemented by the PHA during the period covered by this PHA Plan. If there are more than three fair housing goals, add answer blocks as necessary.

Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will not have to complete section D., nevertheless, the PHA will address its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing in part by fulfilling the requirements at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(3) enacted prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its own programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; and maintain records reflecting these analyses and actions. Furthermore, under Section 5A(d)(15) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, a PHA must submit a civil rights certification with its Annual PHA Plan, which is described at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(1) except for qualified PHAs who submit the Form HUD-50077-CR as a standalone document.

This information collection is authorized by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, which added a new section 5A to the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, which introduced the Annual PHA Plan. The Annual PHA Plan provides a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families.

Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 6.02 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not collect this information, and respondents are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

**Privacy Act Notice.** The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to solicit the information requested in this form by virtue of Title 12, U.S. Code, Section 1701 et seq., and regulations promulgated thereunder at Title 12, Code of Federal Regulations. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality

#### **Definitions and Acronyms**

**AAA IB:** Ann Arbor Area Agency on Aging.

**ACOP:** Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy. The policies and procedures that the Housing Commission has adopted, based on HUD and local regulations, that govern public housing units.

**Administrative Plan:** The policies and procedures that the Housing Commission has adopted, based on HUD and local regulations, that govern voucher programs.

**AMP:** Asset Management Project. In 2007, HUD required Housing Authorities with more than 250 units, to organize and manage those units into multiple AMPS. Ann Arbor divided its units into an East and a West AMP.

**CAN:** Community Action Network. A nonprofit service provider located at the Northside Community Center. The AAHC contracts with CAN to directly serve public housing residents at Hikone and Green Baxter Courts. CAN also received a ROSS grant to serve all public housing residents become self-sufficient.

**CSTS:** Community Support and Treatment Services. Formerly Community Mental Health. The AAHC contracts with CSTS to provide services to residents primarily at Miller and Baker.

**FMR:** Fair Market Rent. HUD determines the Fair Market Rent by doing a rental market study and uses the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile of rental rates by unit size from the previous 2 years (not including new units and subsidized units).

**FSS:** Family Self Sufficiency program. A HUD program that encourages communities to develop local strategies to help voucher families obtain employment that will lead to economic independence and self-sufficiency.

**HAP:** Housing Assistance Payment. A HAP contract is executed between the AAHC and a private landlord that has signed a lease with a Section 8 tenant so that the AAHC can pay the landlord a rent subsidy.

**HCV:** Housing Choice Vouchers. Formerly known as Section 8 vouchers. These vouchers are tenant-based vouchers unless they are specially designated as project-based vouchers. Tenant vouchers are attached to the tenant and provide a rent subsidy at whatever qualified unit a tenant moves to. Project based vouchers are attached to the unit so that any qualified tenant who lives in that unit, receives a rent subsidy.

**HQS:** Housing Quality Standard. A unit must be inspected to make sure that it meets the HQS standard before a unit is approved for a tenant with a Voucher.

MTW: Moving to Work is a demonstration program for public housing authorities (PHAs) that provides them the opportunity to design and test innovative, locally-designed strategies that use Federal dollars more efficiently, help residents find employment and become self-sufficient, and increase housing choices for low-income families.

**PEACE:** Peace Neighborhood Center. A nonprofit service provider located on North Maple Road. The AAHC contracts with Peace to directly serve public housing residents at Maple Meadows and North Maple Estates.

**PIC:** HUD's inventory management system that the AAHC must report to HUD the inventory, condition, and occupancy of the public housing units.

PHA: Public Housing Authority. i.e Ann Arbor Housing Commission

**PHAS:** Public Housing Assessment System. HUD uses 10 indicators (such as occupancy rate, and accounts receivable from tenants) to monitor and rate Public Housing Authorities across the nation for their public housing properties.

**PNA:** Physical Needs Assessment. Conducted by an outside contractor to provide a guide to the AAHC on the physical condition of the buildings, the life expectancy of building features such as the roof or boiler, as well as the replacement cost.

**ROSS-SC:** Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Service Coordinators. This three-year HUD grant will support the AAHC's tenants to earn skills, find employment and become self-sufficient.

**SEMAP:** Section Eight Management Assessment Program. HUD uses 15 indicators (such as HQS inspections, occupancy rate, and rent reasonableness) to monitor and rate Public Housing Authorities across the nation for their voucher programs (previously Section 8).

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TOTALS			

Location	Yr Built	# of Units	Addresses
Baker Commons (RAD PBV)	1980	64	106 Packard
Broadway Terrace (PBV)	1956	20	1504 - 1506 Broadway
Garden Circle (Turnkey)	1971	1	2072 Garden Circle
Green Baxter Court (RAD PBV)	1970	23	1701 - 1747 Green Road
Hikone (RAD PBV)	1970	29	2702 - 2760 Hikone
Hillside Manor (PBV)	1996	6	1020 - 1042 Pennsylvania
Creekside (RAD PBV)	2021	32	3421 - 3429 Platt
Mallett's Creek (PBV)	1996	6	2670 -2680 South Main St
Maple Meadows (RAD PBV)	1970	29	800 - 890 South Maple
Miller Manor (RAD PBV)	1971	106	727 Miller
North Maple Estates (RAD			
PBV)	2016	42	657 - 741 North Maple
North Maple Duplexes (PBV)	1998	4	743 - 749 North Maple
Oakwood (PBV)	1969	3	3565 - 3685 Oakwood
South Seventh (PBV)	1969	8	221 - 253 S. Seventh
Upper Platt (Colonial Square)	1964	5	3681 -3689 Platt
West Washington (PBV)	1969	2	805 - 807 W. Washington
White/State/Henry (RAD PBV)	2021	32	1510 White, 1527 State, & 705 Henry
Lurie Terrace (Senior Housing)	1964	136	600 W. Huron
			1474-1484 Liberty, 1540-1582 Siller, & 528
Siller Terrace	1962	16	Virginia
Summation			

#### **Annual Plan Attachment**

#### Section B.1 Annual Plan Element Proposed Changes FY24

#### Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs.

A. *Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List.* The AAHC currently has the following preferences: persons with a disability, resident or works in Washtenaw or Monroe County, seniors and homeless. AAHC opened the HCV Waiting List for one month, on August 3, 2020; we received over 3,300 applications. At that time, about 50% of the AAHC's voucher tenants reported as non-elderly disabled households. Below are the demographics as reported by the applicants:

#### **HCV** Waiting List

HCV Waiting List		
White	742	
Black	2269	
Asian	28	
American Indian	20	
Pacific Islander	2	
Multiple Race	219	
No Identification	0	
Hispanic	144	
Non-Hispanic	3199	
Female	2612	
Male	731	
Average Annual Income	\$11,427	
Average Household Size	2	
Near Elderly (Age 55-60)	499	
Elderly (Age 62 and older)	225	
Disabled	2268	
Homeless	1332	

B. **Project Based Voucher Waiting List:** The AAHC currently has the following preferences: persons with a disability, resident or works in Washtenaw or Monroe County, seniors and homeless. AAHC opened the RAD PBV Waiting List for one month, on August 3, 2020. AAHC advertised the opening for one (1) through five (5) bedroom units; and received over 2,200 applications. At that time about 43% of the applicants self-reported as homeless and 35% reported annual income of less than \$10,000. Below are the demographics as reported by the applicants:

#### **PBV Waiting List**

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White	566
Black	1463
Asian	19
American Indian	12
Pacific Islander	2
Multiple Race	153
No Identification	0
Hispanic	91

Non-Hispanic	2175
Female	1715
Male	551
Average Household Size	2 Persons
Near Elderly (Age 55-61)	342
Elderly (Age 62 and older)	181
Disabled	1496
Homeless	979
Reported Income between \$1 – \$9,999	35%
Reported Income between \$10,000 – \$19,999	26%

#### During FY23, the following administrative policies were adopted by the AAHC Board

#### **Admission and Continued Occupancy Plan**

#### **13 -OVER-INCOME FAMILIES**

For Public Housing residents, AAHC will terminate the tenancies of families who exceed the over-income (OI) limit for at least two consecutive years (24 consecutive months). The family will be considered public housing families and must be offered the option of paying an income-based rent or a flat rent at their next annual reexamination.

#### **Administrative Plan Policies**

#### **6: INCOME AND SUBSIDY DETERMINATIONS**

AAHC will exclude the Guaranteed Income to Grow Ann Arbor (GIG A2) monthly stipend from the calculation of annual income. GIG A2 is a two-year guaranteed income pilot program that provides monthly payments of \$528 to 100 entrepreneurs with low and very low incomes in Ann Arbor. Guaranteed Income is applicable to Ann Arbor entrepreneur, small business owner, gig worker, or someone with a side job. GIG A2 Arbor would provide \$528 a month for 24 months to support participants well-being, economic stability, or business growth.

The EID is available only to families that are eligible for and participating on the program as of December 31, 2023, or before; no new families may be added on or after January 1, 2024. If a family is receiving the EID prior to or on the effective date of the HOTMA final rule, they are entitled to the full amount of the benefit for a full 24-month period. The policies below are applicable only to such families. The EID will sunset on January 1, 2026, and the PHA policies below will no longer be applicable as of that date or when the last qualifying family exhausts their exclusion period, whichever is sooner.

#### **7 VERIFICATIONS:**

In compliance with Section J.1 of Notice PIH 2023-27, AAHC will begin having families sign the new HUD-9886-A. Tuhe new form refers to the family's ability to revoke consent with respect to the PHA's ability to access financial records from financial institutions, unless the PHA establishes policies that revocation of consent will result in a denial of admission or termination of assistance. AAHC has established a policy that revocation of consent to access financial records will result in denial of admission or termination of assistance for participating families.

In compliance with Section J.4 of Notice PIH 2023-27, AAHC will use income determinations from other means-tested federal public assistance programs to verify annual income.

Section J.5 of Notice PIH 2023-27 contains updated guidance for Level 4 documentation (Written Third-Party Verification) to include an original or authentic document generated by a third-party source dated within 120 days of the date received by AAHC, rather than 60 days as is currently required.

In accordance with Section J.5 of Notice PIH 2023-27, AAHC may accept a statement dated within the appropriate benefit year for fixed income sources.

Section J.6 of Notice PIH 2023-27, HUD adjust what HUD considers acceptable documentation of SSN under 24 CFR 5.216(g)(1). AAHC may accept a self-certification and a third-party document (such as a bank statement, utility or cell phone bill, or benefit letter) with the applicant's name printed on it to satisfy the SSN disclosure requirement if AAHC has exhausted all other attempts to obtain the required documentation. If verifying an individual's SSN using this method, AAHC will document why the other SSN documentation was not available.

#### 15: SPECIAL HOUSING TYPES: SECTION VII: HOMEOWNERSHIP

Participants of the homeownership program, receive homeownership assistance payments in lieu of assistance with monthly rent. The AAHC must adopt policies for determining the amount of homeownership expenses that will be allowed within the voucher payment, in accordance with HUD requirements. Staff recommend the board approval the AAHC to amend the policy to include a monthly allowance of \$300 for major repairs and replacements.

#### 16 - VOLUNTARY USE OF SMALL AREA FMRS

AAHC will voluntarily adopt the use of SAFMRs. We will utilize the SAFMRs for both the tenant-based voucher program and the project-based voucher program for the following zip codes: 48103, 48104, 48105, and 48109, no later than July 1, 2024. The payment standard is 110% of the SAFMR.

#### 17 - PROJECT BASED VOUCHER

If a PHA plans to exceed the cap on the number of units in a project that may have PBV attached for non-elderly families (i.e., the greater of 25 dwelling units or 25 percent of the dwelling units in any project), the Administrative Plan must describe the types of services offered to families for a project to qualify for the exception and to the extent to which such services will be provided. The current Administrative Plan now lists the types of services that may be offered to qualify.

In accordance with PIH Notice 2017-21 states that: "The PBV statute defines project as a single building, multiple contiguous buildings, or multiple buildings on contiguous parcels of land. This definition was unchanged by HOTMA. PHAs have discretion to define a project within the parameters of the statutory definition. AAHC defines a project as a single building, or as multiple contiguous buildings, or as multiple buildings on contiguous parcels of land."

Related to the definition of a suitable location to include areas that have a high-student population. One of HUD's definitions of a suitable area is one with a poverty level of less than 20%, with some exceptions as described below. Ann Arbor, like other communities with a large population of students in higher education, appear to have high poverty census tracts. All the areas with high poverty census tracts in Ann Arbor are census tracts with high student populations, who self-report their income and are considered temporarily in poverty, and who live in high-cost housing. AAHC revised its definition of

suitable location to include a project located in a high-poverty census tract where more than 50% of residents are post-secondary students (college students).

#### TEMPORARY POLICY SUPPLEMENT: EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHER (EHV)

AAHC has amended the Administrative Plan to include the new service fee activities to allow payment for rental arrears, storage expenses, or lock change fees, housing mobility services to encourage move to high opportunity neighborhoods, incentives to owners with accessible units who lease to disabled households, support to families to fulfill their obligations under EHV, and household items such as furniture, toiletries, and cleaning supplies.

#### **Financial Resources:**

2024	Planned Financial Sources an	d Uses
Federal Sources:	Planned (Est.)	Planned Uses
Moving to Work Housing Choice Voucher Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) & Admin Fees	18,922,000	HCV and PBV HAP & Admin Expenses
EHV/VASH/FUP Housing Choice Voucher Housing Assistance Payments (HAP)	2,510,000	EHV/FUP/VASH HAP
EHP/VASH/FUP Admin Fees	248,000	EHV/FUP/VASH Admin Expenses
Mainstream Voucher Program  Housing Assistance Payments (HAP)	1,600,000	HAP Expenses
Mainstream Voucher Admin Fees	130,000	Administrative Expenses
Family Self Sufficiency	232,293	Family Self Sufficiency program
Other (Fraud Recovery)	79,400	Voucher Programs and Central Office
Capital Funds & Operating Funds for Turnkey III	435	Garden Circle (MI064000100)
Non-federal sources (list below)		
City of Ann Arbor General Fund	160,000	Voucher Administration, Central Office,
Affordable Housing Millage	14,421,482	Afterdable Housing Development, Tenant Services, and Administrative Expenses
Mental Health Millage Rebate	1,292,616	Tenant Services and Administrative  Expenses
Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority	331,704	Development of City-Owned Properties in DDA District
Other Revenue	4,038,627	Tenant Services and Administrative Expenses & Affordable Housing Development
Total resources	43,966,557	

#### Section B.2 and C.1 New Activities

Moving to Work: AAHC was designated as a Moving-To-Work (MTW) agency in January 2022. MTW is a demonstration program for Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to design strategies to help residents find or increase employment, become financially self-sufficient and increase housing opportunities for low-income households. The MTW program allows the AAHC more flexibility with how voucher program funds are administered. AAHC was selected for the MTW Landlord Incentives Cohort. AAHC will use the exemption allowed under MTW to establish strategies to increase and continue landlord participation on the HCV program and increase the successful lease-up and long-term housing stability of voucher participants. The MTW program objectives are to reduce costs, give households incentives to achieve economic self-sufficiency, and to increase housing choice. The intent is to serve the same number of low-income families as without MTW funding flexibility. The AAHC will continue to serve a mixture of family sizes. The AAHC will ensure that 75% of the families assisted will have incomes at or below 30% of area median income. All assisted units will continue to meet housing quality standards (HQS). Finally, the AAHC will establish a reasonable rent policy that will encourage self-sufficiency for participating families.

Garden Circle Turnkey III: The AAHC owns a single-family home on Garden Circle, Ann Arbor MI, that was acquired through HUD's Turnkey III lease to ownership program. The Turnkey III program no longer exists and the families that have lived in this home have not been able to purchase the property. The AAHC will dispose of the property through the Section 18 Demo/Dispo Conversion process. The property will be retained by the AAHC by ground leasing the property for \$1 to a wholly owned subsidiary of the AAHC, Colonial Oaks, LLC. The AAHC will project-base a voucher on Garden and offer the current resident the option to continue living at Garden or move with a tenant-based voucher. Colonial Oaks currently includes 49 former public housing units that were converted to project-based vouchers under the RAD program.

Staff held several meetings with the resident between March 2023 and November 2023. If there are any proceeds from the disposition of the property, after deducting the reasonable and necessary costs of disposition, the proceeds will be returned to HUD.

**Faircloth to RAD:** the AAHC has 3 additional units under the Faircloth regulations that can be developed under the RAD conversion process. The AAHC is exploring the process and best locations to develop 3 additional subsidized housing units at properties it currently owns or is currently developing.

**New Development:** The Ann Arbor City Council passes a resolution to support an analysis of city-owned properties to determine if they are financially feasible to develop as affordable housing. The analysis was completed by the AAHC, and 10 properties were identified as good locations for affordable housing development. Each site is unique and will have a separate plan for its development. Properties were analyzed based on zoning, regulatory restrictions, environmental conditions, and eligibility for HUD and LIHTC funding. The AAHC spent 2 years on community engagement to understand the priorities of the community and to start discussing site concepts. The properties are in various stages of development as described below.

The City of Ann Arbor passed an affordable housing millage for 1 mil for 20 years, which will raise about \$7 million annually. It is anticipated that the millage will support the development (new

construction, acquisition, and renovation) of approximately 1500 new affordable housing units for households up to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI). The millage also allows for up to 20% of the funds to be used for tenant supportive services. The millage is a key component of the development strategy for the 10 city-owned properties to provide gap financing and tenants service funding.

#### Section B.6 Progress Report

Please see the 4 goals from FY20 – FY24 Plan with a progress report for each goal

1) Complete Redevelopment of all public housing units to Project Based Vouchers through the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) project

The AAHC was approved by HUD to redevelop all its public housing to project-based vouchers under the RAD program. Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 are completed. The single-family Turnkey III home on Garden Circle is the only property that has not converted yet.

- 2) Develop new affordable housing:
  - a. At existing public housing sites
  - b. New properties

a. Through the RAD conversion program, AAHC demolished and built new housing at 3 former public housing properties. A total of 58 new apartments were added through the RAD conversion process. Phase 1, Miller Manor, was redeveloped with three (3) additional apartments. Phase 3 at N. Maple added 23 apartments. Phase 4 at Lower Platt (now known as Creekside Court) added 28 apartments and White/State/Henry (now known as State Crossing) added 4 apartments.

AAHC has begun renovating Garden Circle, the only property not converted under the Rental Assistance Demonstration. Renovations will include rehabilitation of the kitchen and bathroom, addition of a second bathroom, and extensive repair to the basement of the three-bedroom single-family dwelling.

b. AAHC acquired Siller Terrace, a 16-unit two and three-bedroom garden style apartment located in Ann Arbor. The property although, not restricted to a special population such as veterans, seniors, or homeless households; units are restriction to household at 60% AMI or less. Any existing over-income tenants will be grand fathered in, but all new tenants must meet the income-restrictions.

The AAHC has acquired Lurie Terrace, a 136-unit senior apartment in Ann Arbor. The AAHC will be income restricted as well as restricted to households who are 62 years or older. Forty percent of the units will be restricted to households at 60% AMI or less and 60% will be restricted to households at 80% AMI or less. Any existing over-income tenants will be grand fathered in, but all new tenants must meet the income-restrictions.

The following city-owned properties are in the development stage:

- 121 E. Catherine: Site plan approved for a 63-unit project with 50% of the units reserved for supportive housing and 50% reserved for low-income households in the creative sector. All units would be affordable to households up to 60% AMI.
- 350 S. 5<sup>th</sup>: Approved zoning and supplemental regulations that require a minimum of 40% (approximately 145) affordable units affordable for households up to 60% AMI in a 2-tower building.
- 415 W. Washington: proposed residential building with about 125 units, 15% of which would be affordable to households up to 60% AMI or a cash contribution to the Affordable Housing fund in lieu of including units on site.
- 2000 S. Industrial: proposed mixed-use site including residential and City uses such as offices, storage, and fleet services
- 1510 E. Stadium: conducting due diligence
- 721 N Main (123 W Summit): Lot was split so that the buildable portion is separate from the portion in the floodway.
- 404 N Ashley: on hold until building is vacated
- 353 S Main: Public sewer line extended to site to support future development
- 309 S. Ashley: no activity to report
- Platt/Springbrook: no activity to report

#### 3) Project-Based Voucher:

Increase the number of Project-Based Vouchers in the City of Ann Arbor and other communities in Washtenaw County that have a strong economic base and public transportation. AAHC projects that we will convert about 200 vouchers to project-based vouchers by FY25.

In addition, 23 VASH vouchers for chronically homeless veterans were project-based through a partnership with the VA.

#### a. Addition of PBV Units:

- i. The AAHC issued Project-Based Voucher RFP on September 9, 2020, for up to 150 vouchers in the City of Ann Arbor. The AAHC received applications for 162 project- based vouchers. The AAHC has entered into agreement for 79 vouchers within Ann Arbor for the following projects: 33 vouchers at 100 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave 48104, 30 vouchers at 600 W. Huron 48104, 10 vouchers at 2270 Platt Road 48108, and 6 vouchers at 100-106 and 112-114 Glendale 48103.
- ii. The AAHC issued a Project-Based Voucher RFP on February 2, 2023, for up to 175 vouchers in the City of Ann Arbor. The AAHC received applications for 50 project-based vouchers. The AAHC conditionally approved 50 vouchers with the following projects: 18 vouchers Hickory Way III and 32 vouchers 121 E Catherine.
- iii. The AAHC issued a Project-Based Voucher RFP on October 18, 2023 for up to 50 vouchers. The AAHC conditionally approved 25 unit that will be under Housing Assistance Contract no later than January 1, 2027.
- Statement of need Consistent to PHA Plan: AAHC will project-base up to 20% of the
   AAHC's budget authority to de-concentrate poverty and expand housing and economic
   opportunities for very low-income, homeless, and special needs households in the City

of Ann Arbor and other high opportunity areas in Washtenaw County. The AAHC prioritizes PBV on Permanent Supportive Housing units. These activities are consistent with the AAHC's 5-year and Annual Plan as well as AAHC's mission.

- 4) Increase supportive housing for residents with complex needs spanning from homelessness, mental illness, substance use disorders, and/or other physical/mental disabilities.
  - a. Increase support services for tenants in affordable housing and voucher program
  - b. Through community partnerships
  - c. Additional funding sources
  - d. Continue to work with partners and provide support to eligible families

#### Continuum of Care (CoC)

The AAHC partnered with Avalon Housing and Ozone House to provided housing and services to chronically homeless individuals and families through the HUD Continuum of Care program. A minimum of 59 of these households will be housed at AAHC properties and Avalon and Ozone House will be providing on-site services. These funds have enabled Avalon to provide 24/7 services at Miller Manor. In FY21, all of the CoC grants have been transferred to Avalon Housing to administer.

#### Support Service HCV Eviction Prevention

The AAHC is partnering with SOS to hire a case manager to help AAHC voucher tenants maintain their vouchers.

The coordinated support service allows assist families to lease up in Ann Arbor and resolve landlord/tenant issues such as securing funds to avoid eviction and/or assistance with securing funds for outstanding utility bills and were able to retain their housing. AAHC will continue contracting services with SOS to provide voucher families assistance in maintaining their assistance.

#### Support Service On-site PBV

The AAHC partnered with Avalon Housing & Peace Neighborhood Center & Community Action Network to provide on-site services for tenants at West Arbor, Miller Manor, Maple Meadows, Hikone, Green-Baxter, and Baker Commons.

The AAHC is partnering with CAN and Avalon to provide on-site services at the new State Crossing and Creekside Court Community Centers, respectively.

The AAHC is partnering with Huron Valley PACE to provide on-site services at the newly acquired senior housing property, Lurie Terrace.

#### **Additional Voucher Support Services**

The AAHC is partnering with Avalon Housing and Michigan Ability Partners to assist AAHC voucher waitlist applicants lease up successfully and to provide ongoing support services.

#### Family Unification Program (FUP)

The AAHC has partnered with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Washtenaw County Continuum of Care (CoC), and Ozone House to provide housing assistance to 32 families for the HCV Family Unification Program. AAHC continues to provide housing to eligible families.

The Family Unification Program (FUP) is a program under which Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) are provided to two different populations: Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in: the imminent placement of the family's child or children in out-of-home care, or the delay in the discharge of the child or children to the family from out-of-home care. In addition, 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, and is homeless or is at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older.

In addition to rental assistance, supportive services must be provided by the MDHHS to FUP youths for the entire 18 months in which the youth participate in the program; examples of the skills targeted by these services include money management skills, job preparation, educational counseling, and proper nutrition and meal preparation.

#### Non-Elderly Disabled Mainstream Voucher (NED)

The AAHC has partnered with 11 agencies to administer the NED Voucher program, all of whom serve persons with disabilities as a cornerstone of their non-profit mission or public agency purpose. HUD awarded AAHC 45 voucher for the NED program in 2018; 90 vouchers in 2019; and 41 vouchers in 2020. AAHC continues to provide housing to eligible families.

NED HCVs enables non-elderly disabled families to lease affordable private housing of their choice. NED vouchers also assist persons with disabilities who often face difficulties in locating suitable and accessible housing on the private market. The target population for the NED program are any household that includes one or more non-elderly person with disabilities.

In addition, eligible families included 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.

#### **Emergency Housing Vouchers**

AAHC received an award of 29 Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) effective July 1, 2021. The Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program is available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Through EHV, AAHC assist individuals and families who are homeless, at-risk of homelessness, fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, or were recently homeless or have a high risk of housing instability.

AAHC works with the CoC and its other homeless services/victim services referral partners in determining which activities it will undertake in support of EHVs participants. Activities such as housing search assistance, assistance with security

deposit, utility deposit, rental application, holding fees, and other related uses are intended to prevent and respond to housing instability.

#### **Additional Vouchers**

AAHC received 22 new voucher increments from HUD; 16 in October 2022, and 6 in August 2023. Due to a competitive rental market around the country, it's increasingly becoming necessary to help families lease units. As a result, HUD revisited its current guidance on the eligible uses of administrative fees allowing PHA's to expanding such activities to cover costs that encourage housing stability for participants. To ensure success, AAHC administers funds directly to our partners that provide services to participating families that fit their specific needs.

Administrative activities also include housing search assistance activities such as premove counseling, helping a family identify and visit potentially available units during their housing search, helping a family find a unit that meets the household's disability-related needs, providing transportation and directions, and assisting with the completion of rental applications. These activities also include post-lease up activities often related to housing search assistance efforts, such as post-move counseling and landlord/tenant mediation. These activities cover HCV owner recruitment and outreach activities, including the costs associated with materials or webpages specifically geared to owners, as well as landlord liaison staff and associated expenses.

#### **City of Ann Arbor General Fund Support**

The City of Ann Arbor allocated \$525,000 in FY20; \$535,000 in FY21; \$546,000 in FY22 and over \$1.1 million in FY23 for tenant mental health and other supportive services for AAHC tenants and Voucher program participants. These funds are partially funding the programs listed above.

#### **Section B.7 Resident Advisory Board**

The Resident Advisory Board (RAB) held on October 18, 2023

This annual public, meeting of the Resident Advisory Board focused on the AAHC's Annual Plan and HUD's Moving To Work (MTW) Demonstration Program as a member of Cohort #4— Landlord Incentives.

**ATTENDEES:** Weneshia Brand (AAHC), Arin Yu (AAHC), Terrance Heiligh (AAHC), Alacia Upthegrove, and Sherry Ragay.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

#### **Landlord Incentives**

AAHC is a participant in Moving To Work Cohort #4— Landlord Incentives. Participation in this cohort provides AAHC the opportunity to adopt policies that incentivize landlord participation in the Section 8 Voucher program. AAHC plans to provide damage loss payments, signing bonuses, and vacancy loss payments to landlords that rent to Section 8 Voucher participants. AAHC also plans to assist participants with providing security deposits and paying application fees.

The Ann Arbor Housing Commission discussed the Final Rule implementing Sections 102, 103, and 104 of the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA) regulation changes for future adoption, with the Resident Advisory Board:

#### Section 102: Income Reviews

Fewer Interim Reexaminations: HOTMA creates a 10% adjusted income increase/decrease threshold for conducting Interim Reexaminations, and in most cases requires that increases in earned income are not processed until the next Annual Reexamination, allowing families to keep more of their earnings before receiving a rent increase. The new requirements should lead to fewer Interim Reexaminations overall, alleviating burden for both participants and PHAs.

Streamlined Verifications: Several provisions will streamline the verification process for housing providers.

Adults Only Need to Sign Consent Form Once: HOTMA revises the required consent form that all adult household members sign, allowing them to sign the form only once instead of annually.

Use of Income Determinations from Other Programs: HOTMA allows PHAs to use income determinations made under other federal benefits programs for reexaminations.

Review of EIV Not Required at Interim Reexamination: HOTMA eliminates the requirement for PHAs to use EIV to verify tenant employment and income information during an interim reexamination, significantly reducing administrative burden.

Increased Standard Deduction for Elderly/Disabled Households: HOTMA increases standard deductions for families with a head, co-head, or spouse who is elderly or a person with a disability.

Additional Income Exclusions: The rule codifies additional income and asset exclusions, including:

- Amounts received from Medicaid or other state/local programs meant to keep a family member with a disability living at home
- Veterans' aide and attendant care
- Distributions of principal from non-revocable trusts, including Special Needs Trusts.

Threshold for Claiming Medical/Disability Expenses Increased: HOTMA increases the allowance for unreimbursed health and medical care expenses from 3% of annual income to 10%, phased-in over two years.

Higher Threshold for Imputing Asset Income: HOTMA raises the imputed asset threshold from \$5,000 to \$50,000, incentivizing families to build wealth without imputing income on those assets.

Hardship Relief: HOTMA provides hardship relief for expense deductions, lessening the impact of the increased threshold for medical expenses. HOTMA permits PHAs to grant hardship relief to families unable to pay rent because of unanticipated medical/disability expenses and families who are no longer eligible for the childcare expense deduction.

#### Section 103: Public Housing Income Limit

Public Housing Income Limitation: HOTMA imposes continued program participation limits for families exceeding the statutory income limitation in the Public Housing \*program, also known as the "over-income" provision.

#### Section 104: Asset Limits

Asset Limitation: HOTMA imposes a \$100,000 asset limit for eligibility and continued assistance. Families are also ineligible for assistance if they own real property suitable for occupancy. PHAs have the option of delaying enforcement/termination for up to six months if the family is over the asset threshold at the time of annual reexamination.

Exclusion of Retirement and Educational Savings Accounts: Retirement accounts and educational savings accounts will not be considered a net family asset. This is a major benefit to families, incentivizing savings for important life milestones and opportunities. This will also provide significant administrative relief to PHAs by allowing them to stop verifying and calculating these assets altogether.

Self-Certification of Assets under \$50,000: HOTMA allows self-certification of net assets if estimated to be at or below \$50,000. This will be a time-savings for families and lower administrative burden for PHAs recertifying income.

#### **Cross-Cutting**

Adjustments for Inflation: Deductions and the asset limitation will be adjusted for inflation annually, ensuring that deductions do not lose value over time and that families are able to build more wealth without losing program assistance. The current deduction amounts have never been adjusted.

Resident Advisory Board Discussion: None

#### **OTHER RESIDENT INPUT:**

**Upthegrove:** Mentioned that increase the voucher subsidy would be helpful to program participants. She mentions that she needs a six-bedroom house and that there very little housing options available to participants. Asked if her voucher amount would increase because she's adding another member to the household?

**Response:** Voucher are issued for one bedroom for every two people in the household. You caseworker can provide specific detail regarding your household.

Ragay: Asked what is the average wait on the programs waiting list?

**Response:** The average wait is 4 to 6 years for our Affordable Housing or Housing Choice Voucher waiting list.

**Ragay:** Mentioned that her son has applied for the waiting list. He is currently homeless and needs his own place.

**Response**: please contact AAHC staff for a more detailed response.

#### **Section B.7 Public Meeting:**

The Public Meeting held on January 10, 2024

This public meeting focused on the AAHC's Annual Plan and HUD's Moving To Work (MTW) Demonstration Program Supplemental Plan, Hardship Policy, Rent Reform, Agency Specific Waivers, and Safe Habor.

**ATTENDEES:** Weneshia Brand (AAHC), Sharice Miller (AAHC), Katrisha Kelly (AAHC), Misty Hendershot (AAHC), Diaa Almasser, Jacqueline Lewis, Maureen Kennedy, Bruce Wilcox, Toya Pace (Avalon Housing), Penny Ryder, Ty'esha Gilbert, Nicole Harris, Muyah Graham, Tammy Weatherspoon, Adonis Sweatt, K, Lewis, Kali Muhammad, and Ally Silas.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

MTW agencies must work closely with their residents and stakeholders when developing the Agency-Specific Waivers; therefore, similar to submitting Safe Harbor Waivers, when submitting an Agency-Specific Waiver, the MTW agency must not only follow the PHA Plan public process requirements, but it must also have an additional public meeting to specifically discuss the Agency-Specific Waivers.

The Ann Arbor Housing Commission discussed implementing several MTW activities to establish a reasonable rent policy. The following MTW activities were proposed for implement effective no later than January 1, 2025. Minimum Rent at \$130 except for elderly and disabled households. Tenant Payment as a Modified Percentage of Income. We propose to change the total tenant payment (TTP) from 30% of adjusted median income to 15% of adjusted median income. Setting the TTP at 15% is below the allowable maximum of 32% as stated in the Operations Notice. We will request a safe harbor to include elderly and disabled households to benefit from this activity.

In addition, we propose to eliminate Utility Reimbursements payment when the utility allowance is greater than the total tenant payment. The agency proposed to eliminate deductions for \$480 dependent, and \$400 elderly, and disabled deductions for households that are not elderly or disabled. We proposed to implement MTW activity Alternative Income Inclusions/Exclusions to exclude wages for household members between the age 18-23. We will request a safe harbor to include elderly and disabled households to benefit from this activity.

Also, we propose to establish a Payment Standard based on the Small Area Fair Market Rent where allowed and establish grouped zip code when applicable. The payment standard will be between 80% and 150% of the SAFMR. AAHC will also establish a Payment Standard between 80% and 120% of the Fair Market Rent for all other areas. Lastly, we propose to establish an Alternative Reexamination Schedule for households on a biennial (every two years) basis. Households are allowed at least one interim adjustment per year at the request of the household if the gross income has decreased 10% or more. AAHC will complete an impact analysis that is required for all MTW activities. We will establish a hardship policy required for all applicable MTW activities.

Resident Advisory Board Discussion: None

#### **OTHER RESIDENT INPUT:**

Ryder: asked why 48108 is not included in the SAMFR and why we don't service Belleville?

#### Response:

- 48108 is already at the affordable income level.
- We don't service Belleville due to 6 other agencies already servicing them.
- The higher subsidy at would apply next recert.

**Kennedy:** asked is the deduction applied to each household member?

#### Response:

o A household will receive a deduction for each qualifying household member

Lewis: why would they want to eliminate the disability deduction?

#### Response:

- o Eliminating deductions streamlines the recertification process
- Reduces administrative burden

**Silas:** how many clients pay the minimum rent or \$0- \$50 as their tenant portion of rent? **Response:** 

Less than 10% of program participants pay the minimum rent or less.

**Pace:** could AAHC make utility reimbursement payments to the utility provider instead of to the tenant?

#### Response:

- Regulations allows AAHC to make payment to utility provider however the PHA must determine a percentage to pay for each utility type.
- AAHC has researched these options and determined the administrative burden is beyond our capacity to manage.

**Kennedy:** asked how often are participants required to complete the annual recertification?

#### Response:

- Currently, participants are required to recertify once a year.
- We are proposing to require household to recertify once every two years
- Participants are invited to complete their annual recertifications at least 120 days prior to the annual recertification date.

Kennedy: how would that impact a change or if a family wants to move?

#### Response:

- Families are allowed to report reductions in income or changes in household composition.
- You must contact your Occupancy Specialist to receive instructions to relocate.

**Gilbert:** if a participant become employed, does the tenant portion of rent increase?

#### Response:

 In some circumstances, the tenant portion of rent may increase however it is based on the amount of income and other factors. Please contact your Occupancy Specialist for more assistance.

**Lewis:** how do you determine what percentage of a building will receive project-based vouchers.

#### Response:

o It is determined by the need of the community, the availability of funding and vouchers, and a request for proposal process.

**Wilcox:** if the minimum rent is increased to \$130 and the utility reimbursement is eliminated how would this impact those households who are zero income?

#### Response:

- We anticipate those households would be impact having a seek resources to pay rent or utilities.
- We also anticipate that a reduction in tenant rent payment as a modified percentage of income being reduced from 30% to 15% will encourage household to increase their income and pay less of their income towards rent and utilities.
- AAHC has implemented a minimum rent hardship policy for those who are impacted.
- o Elderly and disabled households would be exempt from the \$130 minimum rent.

**Ryder:** asked if IRA's considered an asset or income?

#### Response:

 An IRA is considered an asset. When an IRA is withdrawn it may be considered income.

**Ryder:** mentioned that AAHC staff should meet with participants in person to stress the benefits of any program changes.

#### Response:

 We ensure that we communicate our policies, programs, meetings, and events with participants by multiple means of communication such as public meetings, in person, by phone, email, mail, and social media.

#### **Section B.7 Public Meeting:**

AAHC Rise Hope Partner Meeting held on January 11, 2024

**ATTENDEES:** Weneshia Brand (AAHC), Sharon Lapides (WHA), Rhonda Weathers (SOS) Rick Ward (A Brighter Way), Daniel Kelly (SAWC), Aaron Suganuma (Washtenaw County Sheriff Dept)

This public meeting focused on the AAHC's Annual Plan and HUD's Moving To Work (MTW) Demonstration Program Supplemental Plan, HOTMA, Hardship Policy, Rent Reform, Agency Specific Waivers, and Safe Habor. The Ann Arbor Housing Commission discussed implementing several MTW activities to establish a reasonable rent policy. The MTW activities were proposed for implement effective no later than January 1, 2025.

**Lapides:** Inquired if the HOTMA regulations and MTW activities are applied to all housing authorities?

**Response:** the HOTMA regulation changes are applicable to all PHAs with HCV and Public Housing programs. Some HOTMA regulations are optional to PHA's, however each PHA is required to implement the new regulations no later than January 1, 2025. MTW activities are specifically to agencies designated as MTW. All proposed MTW activities are specific to the Ann Arbor Housing Commission.

**CHALLENGED ELEMENTS TO PLAN:** *None* 

## PHA Name: Ann Arbor Housing Commission

PHA Code: MI064

MTW Supplement for PHA Fiscal Year Beginning : (MM/DD/YYYY): 7/1/2024

PHA Program Type: Combined

MTW Cohort Number: Landlord Incentives

MTW Supplement Submission Type: Annual Submission

#### **B. MTW Supplement Narrative.**

The Ann Arbor Housing Commission is deeply committed to providing excellent housing opportunities to current and future residents of Washtenaw and Monroe Counties. Within our jurisdiction exists immensely diverse communities, ranging from the dense urban centers of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, to the more sparsely populated townships of Superior and Scio. Many of these neighborhoods are complimented by strong school systems, low poverty rates, and desirable housing, while other neighborhoods are challenged by limited public services and diminishing economic opportunity. As a Moving To Work agency, we hope to increase housing choice in some of our highest opportunity and more economically exclusive communities. It is our belief that the MTW program will aid in our efforts to increase housing stability for our most vulnerable community members and allow us to establish long-term relationships with private sector housing providers. As AAHC continues to take major steps towards developing new affordable housing, our MTW activities will serve as an additional tool to provide more desirable housing for those most in need. Cost Effectiveness:

AAHC is eager to employ the funding and programmatic flexibility that MTW provides in order to more efficiently utilize its federally allocated funds. Our administrative processes, supportive services, and development projects will all benefit from MTW allowances and activities. The AAHC is actively partnering with local nonprofits, public agencies and local governments to increase the supply of affordable housing in the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, and Monroe County through financial tools, development of affordable housing on public property, project-based vouchers, zoning regulations and other public policy tools. AAHC plans to use MTW flexibilities to fund the programs and projects that it determines will be of the greatest benefit to our communities and incentivize potential partners to assist in our goal of increasing housing opportunity. Additionally, specific waivers such as those related to HQS inspections offers AAHC the opportunity to cut down on unnecessary staff time and rededicate itself to tasks that are of more immediate importance.

AAHC partners with many local non-profits, mainstream service providers, and the private sector to build healthy residential communities and promote an atmosphere of pride and responsibility. The AAHC has contracts with 7 non-profit agencies to provide on-site support service to tenants who live in AAHC properties. The AAHC has a contract with SOS Community Services to provide eviction prevention services to all the AAHC's voucher tenants. A recent internal analysis of supportive services offered at AAHC properties indicated their tremendous effectiveness at preventing eviction and providing housing stability; outcomes among formerly homeless households were especially encouraging as compared to national trends. The AAHC has MOUs with many local agencies to assist homeless and disabled applicants complete the application process, search for housing, and successfully lease-up. The AAHC also works directly with the Michigan Works! agency to leverage employment and training opportunities for program participants. Additionally, AAHC works with private companies, local non-profits, and Habitat for Humanity to increase participation in the AAHC's Homeownership Program. The AAHC partners with the United Way to provide support services aimed at empowering families to build savings and financial capabilities as a pathway out of poverty. The AAHC also participates in HUD's Family Self Sufficiency Program. As an MTW agency, AAHC has the opportunity to divert funding to many of the aforementioned programs and partnerships. AAHC will continually analyze the effectiveness and financial state of these programs in order to determine how to best allocate funding to each of them.

#### Increasing Housing Choice:

According to the Martin Prosperity Institute's 2015 report "Segregated City, The Geography of Economic Segregation in America", Washtenaw County is the 8th most income segregated County in the United States. Low-Income residents in Washtenaw County have limited opportunities for mobility due to the high housing costs throughout the county, especially in high opportunity areas. The MTW designation can help the AAHC provide more numerous and more desirable choices through higher payment standards and landlord incentives to expand our pool of participating landlords. HUD has recognized a growing number of populations with specific needs that often go unmet by the existing housing infrastructure. AAHC's goal is to develop programs and housing stock targeted to the most underserved populations. In pursuit of this goal, we currently administer several special purpose voucher programs in addition to the Housing Choice Voucher and Project Based Voucher programs. AAHC recognizes the significant and immediate need for additional affordable housing. A recent market analysis for the City of Ann Arbor shows a market demand for 1,300 units at 30% AMI, 700 units at 31% to 60% AMI and 300 units at 61% to 100% AMI just in the downtown area. AAHC is looking to increase the housing opportunities through partnerships, private/non-profit development, acquisition, and utilizing programs such as MTW. The Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) recently completed a needs analysis for Permanent Supportive Housing for all of Washtenaw County and determined that in the next 10 years an additional 1,581 PSH units for single adults and 407 PSH units for families are needed. The AAHC currently has a homeless preference for its waitlist and partners with the Continuum of Care and multiple non-profits to house homeless households in AAHC PBV units as well as with tenant-based vouchers. The AAHC and its community partners work hard to create programs and opportunities for homeless households to live in low-poverty, high opportunity neighborhoods.

C. The policies that the MTW agency is using or has used (currently implement, plan to implement in the submission year, plan to discontinue, previously discontinued).

1. Tenant Rent Policies			
	Not Currently Implemented		
a. Tiered Rent (PH) b. Tiered Rent (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
,	Not Currently Implemented  Not Currently Implemented		
c. Stepped Rent (PH) d. Stepped Rent (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
e. Minimum Rent (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
f. Minimum Rent (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
g. Total Tenant Payment as a Percentage of Gross Income	Not Currently Implemented		
(PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
h. Total Tenant Payment as a Percentage of Gross Income (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
i. Alternative Utility Allowance (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
j. Alternative Utility Allowance (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
k. Fixed Rents (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
I. Fixed Subsidy (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
m. Utility Reimbursements (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
n. Utility Reimbursements (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
o. Initial Rent Burden (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
p. Imputed Income (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
q. Imputed Income (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
r. Elimination of Deduction(s) (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
s. Elimination of Deduction(s) (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
t. Standard Deductions (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
u. Standard Deductions (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
v. Alternative Income Inclusions/Exclusions (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
w. Alternative Income Inclusions/Exclusions (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
2. Payment Standards and Rent Reasonableness			
a. Payment Standards- Small Area Fair Market Rents (HCV)	Currently Implementing		
b. Payment Standards- Fair Market Rents (HCV)	Currently Implementing		
c. Rent Reasonableness – Process (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
d. Rent Reasonableness – Third-Party Requirement (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
3. Reexaminations			
a. Alternative Reexamination Schedule for Households (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Alternative Reexamination Schedule for Households (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
c. Self-Certification of Assets (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
d. Self-Certification of Assets (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
4. Landlord Leasing Incentives			
a. Vacancy Loss (HCV-Tenant-based Assistance)	Currently Implementing		
b. Damage Claims (HCV-Tenant-based Assistance)	Currently Implementing		
c. Other Landlord Incentives (HCV- Tenant-based Assistance)	Currently Implementing		
5. Housing Quality Standards (HQS)			
a. Pre-Qualifying Unit Inspections (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Reasonable Penalty Payments for Landlords (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
c. Third-Party Requirement (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
d. Alternative Inspection Schedule (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
6. Short-Term Assistance	1 Not Carronay Impromontou		
	Not Currently Implemented		
a. Short-Term Assistance (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Short-Term Assistance (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
7. Term-Limited Assistance			
a. Term-Limited Assistance (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Term-Limited Assistance (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
8. Increase Elderly Age (PH & HCV)			

Increase Elderly Age (PH & HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
9. Project-Based Voucher Program Flexibilities			
a. Increase PBV Program Cap (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Increase PBV Project Cap (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
c. Elimination of PBV Selection Process for PHA-owned			
Projects Without Improvement, Development, or	Not Currently Implemented		
Replacement (HCV)			
d. Alternative PBV Selection Process (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
e. Alternative PBV Unit Types (Shared Housing and	Not Currently Implemented		
Manufactured Housing) (HCV)	Thot Currently Implemented		
f. Increase PBV HAP Contract Length (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
g. Increase PBV Rent to Owner (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
h. Limit Portability for PBV Units (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
10. Family Self-Sufficiency Program with MTW Flexibility			
a.PH Waive Operating a Required FSS Program (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
a.HCV Waive Operating a Required FSS Program (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
b.PH Alternative Structure for Establishing Program	Not Currently Implemented		
Coordinating Committee (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. HCV Alternative Structure for Establishing Program	Not Currently Implemented		
Coordinating Committee (HCV)	· ·		
c.PH Alternative Family Selection Procedures (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
c.HCV Alternative Family Selection Procedures (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
d.PH Modify or Eliminate the Contract of Participation (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
d.HCV Modify or Eliminate the Contract of Participation	Not Currently Implemented		
(HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
e.PH Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income	Not Currently Implemented		
(PH)	The Garrenay implemented		
e.HCV Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income	Not Currently Implemented		
(HCV)	The Carrellay Implemented		
11. MTW Self-Sufficiency Program			
a.PH Alternative Family Selection Procedures (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
a.HCV Alternative Family Selection Procedures (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
b.PH Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income	Not Currently Implemented		
(PH)	The Carrellay Implemented		
b.HCV Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income	Not Currently Implemented		
(HCV)	,		
12. Work Requirement	,		
a. Work Requirement (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Work Requirement (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
13. Use of Public Housing as an Incentive for Economic F	Progress (PH)		
Use of Public Housing as an Incentive for Economic	Not Currently Implemented		
Progress (PH)	Not ourreinly implemented		
14. Moving on Policy			
a. Waive Initial HQS Inspection Requirement (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
b.PH Allow Income Calculations from Partner Agencies (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
b.HCV Allow Income Calculations from Partner Agencies			
(HCV)	Not Currently Implemented		
c.PH Aligning Tenant Rents and Utility Payments Between	Not Currently Implemented		
Partner Agencies (PH)	Not ouriently implemented		
c.HCV Aligning Tenant Rents and Utility Payments Between	Not Currently Implemented		
Partner Agencies (HCV)	Hot carreinly implemented		
15. Acquisition without Prior HUD Approval (PH)			
Acquisition without Prior HUD Approval (PH)  Not Currently Implemented			
16. Deconcentration of Poverty in Public Housing Policy	(PH)		
Deconcentration of Poverty in Public Housing Policy (PH)	Not Currently Implemented		
17. Local, Non-Traditional Activities			
a. Rental Subsidy Programs	Not Currently Implemented		
b. Service Provision	Not Currently Implemented		
D. OCIVICE FIUVISIUII	Triot Guitently implemented		

## C. MTW Activities Plan that Ann Arbor Housing Commission Plans to Implement in the Submission Year or Is Currently Implementing

#### 2.a. - Payment Standards- Small Area Fair Market Rents (HCV)

Describe the MTW activity, the MTW agency's goal(s) for the MTW activity, and, if applicable, how the MTW activity contributes to a larger initiative

Adopt and implement a reasonable policy to establish payment standards based upon Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMR). AAHC seeks to increase housing opportunity for program participants. This MTW activity contributes to the. AAHC seeks to improve relationship with landlords, ensure our efforts matches those of the local market, recruit and retain

landlord participation, apply measure to offset rent burdens, and encourage move to high opportunity areas.

Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?

Housing choice

What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.

Increased expenditures

Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?

The MTW activity applies to all assisted households

Based on the Fiscal Year goals listed in the activity's previous Fiscal Year's narrative, provide a description about what has been accomplished or changed during the implementation.

After establishing payment standards using SAFMR, participants residing in high opportunity areas have increased. In addition, rent burden decreased for those participants who previously lived in those low poverty areas.

Does this MTW activity require a hardship policy?

Yes

This document is attached.

Does the hardship policy apply to more than this MTW activity?

Yes

Please list all of the applicable MTW activities. (Only upload hardship policy once when said policy applies to multiple MTW activities.)

2.b. - Payment Standards- Fair Market Rents (HCV)

Has the MTW agency modified the hardship policy since the last submission of the MTW Supplement?

No

How many hardship requests have been received associated with this activity in the past year?

No hardship were requested in the most recent fiscal year.

Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?

No

#### Does the MTW activity require an impact analysis?

Yes

This document is attached.

Does the impact analysis apply to more than this MTW activity?

Yes

Please list all of the applicable MTW activities. (Only upload impact analysis once when said impact analysis applies to multiple MTW activities.)

2.b. - Payment Standards- Fair Market Rents (HCV)

#### Please explain the payment standards by ZIP code or "grouped" ZIP codes:

AAHC established payment standards based upon the SAFMR for the following ZIP codes: 48103, 48104, 48105, 48109,

48111, 48174, 48187, and 48188.

#### 2.b. - Payment Standards- Fair Market Rents (HCV)

Describe the MTW activity, the MTW agency's goal(s) for the MTW activity, and, if applicable, how the MTW activity contributes to a larger initiative

Our agency established payment standards based upon 120% of the Fair Market Rents (FMR). The MTW activity will reduce rent burden of current participants and increase housing opportunities. Our agency intends to utilize this MTW

activity to match local rental markets in an effort to retain and recruit landlord participation in the HCV program.

#### Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?

Cost effectiveness; Housing choice

What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.

Increased expenditures

Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?

The MTW activity applies to all assisted households

Based on the Fiscal Year goals listed in the activity's previous Fiscal Year's narrative, provide a description about what has been accomplished or changed during the implementation.

Our agency has retained several landlords and reduced rent burden after implementing this activity.

Does this MTW activity require a hardship policy?

**Provided Already** 

Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?

Nο

Does the MTW activity require an impact analysis?

Provided Already

#### Please explain the payment standards by FMR:

The payment standard is set at 120% of the FMR within the PHA jurisdiction of Washtenaw and Monroe Counties; including those designated areas where the payment standard would be lower if the agency established a payment

#### 4.a. - Vacancy Loss (HCV-Tenant-based Assistance)

Describe the MTW activity, the MTW agency's goal(s) for the MTW activity, and, if applicable, how the MTW activity contributes to a larger initiative

AAHC offers incentives to participating landlords by providing vacancy payments to the owner. Our goals is to retain and increase the number of landlords it is working with and expand into new neighborhoods. We intend to address specific landlord issues such as, reluctance to join the HCV Program due to delays in leasing and costly repairs, in a effort to build

and improve partnership between the landlord and PHA.

Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?

Housing choice

What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.

Increased expenditures

Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?

The MTW activity applies only to a subset or subsets of assisted households

Does the MTW activity apply only to new admissions, only to currently assisted households, or to both new admissions and currently assisted households?

Currently assisted households only

Does the MTW activity apply to all family types or only to selected family types?

The MTW activity applies to all family types

Does the MTW activity apply to all HCV tenant-based units and properties with project-based vouchers?

The MTW activity applies to all tenant-based units

Based on the Fiscal Year goals listed in the activity's previous Fiscal Year's narrative, provide a description about what has been accomplished or changed during the implementation.

Since implementing this activity the number of inquires from new owners have increased. In addition, current owners are

less incline to end their participation in the HCV program.

Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?

No

Does this policy apply to certain types of units or to all units all HCV units or only certain types of units (for example, accessible units, units in a low-poverty neighborhood, or units/landlords new to the HCV program?

To all units

What is the maximum payment that can be made to a landlord under this policy?

Payments made to the landlord must be equal to no more than one month of the contract rent.

How many payments were issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

1

What is the total dollar value of payments issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

\$1,800

#### 4.b. - Damage Claims (HCV-Tenant-based Assistance)

Describe the MTW activity, the MTW agency's goal(s) for the MTW activity, and, if applicable, how the MTW activity contributes to a larger initiative

AAHC encourage landlord participation by providing for compensation payments to the owner when the HCV participant causes damage to the unit. Our goals is to retain and increase the number of landlords we're working with and expand into new neighborhoods. We intend to address specific landlord issues such as, reluctance to join the HCV Program due to delays in leasing, costly repairs, in a effort to build and improve partnership between the landlord and

PHA.

Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?

Housing choice

What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.

Increased expenditures

Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?

The MTW activity applies only to a subset or subsets of assisted households

Does the MTW activity apply only to new admissions, only to currently assisted households, or to both new admissions and currently assisted households?

Currently assisted households only

Does the MTW activity apply to all family types or only to selected family types?

The MTW activity applies to all family types

Does the MTW activity apply to all HCV tenant-based units and properties with project-based vouchers?

The MTW activity applies to specific tenant-based units and/or properties with project-based vouchers

Please describe which tenant-based units and/or properties with project-based vouchers participate in the MTW activity.

This activity applies to all current tenant based voucher participants and project-based voucher participants.

Based on the Fiscal Year goals listed in the activity's previous Fiscal Year's narrative, provide a description about what has been accomplished or changed during the implementation.

Since the agency has implemented this MTW activity we have retained several landlords who participant in the HCV

program.

Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?

No

Does this policy apply to certain types of units or to all units all HCV units or only certain types of units (for

#### example, accessible units, units in a low-poverty neighborhood, or units/landlords new to the HCV program?

To all units

#### What is the maximum payment that can be made to a landlord under this policy?

The amount of damage claims must not exceed the lesser of the cost of repairs or two months of contract rent. In implementing this activity, the participant's security deposit must first be used to cover damages and the agency may

provide up to two months of contract rent minus the security deposit to cover remaining repairs.

How many payments were issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

31

What is the total dollar value of payments issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

\$26,908

#### 4.c. - Other Landlord Incentives (HCV- Tenant-based Assistance)

## Describe the MTW activity, the MTW agency's goal(s) for the MTW activity, and, if applicable, how the MTW activity contributes to a larger initiative

AAHC provides incentive payments such as security deposit, application fees, and signing bonus to participating landlords. Incentive payments are used in order to recruit new landlords to join the HCV program. By implement this activity we

intend to increase housing choice for program participants.

#### Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?

Housing choice

What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.

Increased expenditures

Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?

The MTW activity applies only to a subset or subsets of assisted households

Does the MTW activity apply only to new admissions, only to currently assisted households, or to both new admissions and currently assisted households?

New admissions and currently assisted households

Does the MTW activity apply to all family types or only to selected family types?

The MTW activity applies to all family types

Does the MTW activity apply to all HCV tenant-based units and properties with project-based vouchers?

The MTW activity applies to specific tenant-based units and/or properties with project-based vouchers

Please describe which tenant-based units and/or properties with project-based vouchers participate in the MTW activity.

This activity is available to both tenant-based and project-based participants.

Based on the Fiscal Year goals listed in the activity's previous Fiscal Year's narrative, provide a description about what has been accomplished or changed during the implementation.

Since implementation of this MTW activity, AAHC has initiated HAP contracts with new owners.

Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?

No

Does this policy apply to certain types of units or to all units all HCV units or only certain types of units (for example, accessible units, units in a low-poverty neighborhood, or units/landlords new to the HCV program?

To all units

What is the maximum payment that can be made to a landlord under this policy?

Payments made to the landlord must be equal to no more than one month of the contract rent.

How many payments were issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

40

What is the total dollar value of payments issued under this policy in the most recently completed PHA fiscal year?

\$19,230

D.	Safe Harbor Waivers.				
D.1	Will the MTW agency submit request for approval of a Safe Harbor Waiver this year?				
	No Safe Harbor Waivers are being requested.				

E.	Agency-Specific Waiver(s).					
	Agency-Specific Waiver(s) for HUD Approval:					
	The MTW demonstration program is intended to foster innovation and HUD encourages MTW agencies, in consultation with their residents and stakeholders, to be creative in their approach to solving affordable housing issues facing their local communities. For this reason, flexibilities beyond those provided for in Appendix I may be needed. Agency-Specific Waivers may be requested if an MTW agency wishes to implement additional activities, or waive a statutory and/or regulatory requirement not included in Appendix I.					
	In order to pursue an Agency-Specific Waiver, an MTW agency must include an Agency-Specific Waiver request, an impact analysis, and a hardship policy (as applicable), and respond to all of the mandatory core questions as applicable.					
E.1	For each Agency-Specific Waiver(s) request, please upload supporting documentation, that includes: a) a full description of the activity, including what the agency is proposing to waive (i.e., statute, regulation, and/or Operations Notice), b) how the initiative achieves one or more of the 3 MTW statutory objectives, c) a description of which population groups and household types that will be impacted by this activity, d) any cost implications associated with the activity, e) an implementation timeline for the initiative, f) an impact analysis, g) a description of the hardship policy for the initiative, and h) a copy of all comments received at the public hearing along with the MTW agency's description of how the comments were considered, as a required attachment to the MTW Supplement.					
	Will the MTW agency submit a request for approval of an Agency-Specific Waiver this year?					
	No Agency-Specific Waivers are being requested.					
	Agency-Specific Waiver(s) for which HUD Approval has been Received:					
E.2	Does the MTW agency have any approved Agency-Specific Waivers?					
	MTW Agency does not have approved Agency-Specific Waivers					

F.	Public Housing Operating Subsidy Grant Reporting.
F.1	Total Public Housing Operating subsidy amount authorized, disbursed by 9/30, remaining, and deadline for disbursement, by Federal Fiscal Year for each year the PHA is designated an MTW agency.

Federal Fiscal Year (FFY)	Total Operating Subsidy Authorized Amount	How Much PHA Disbursed by the 9/30 Reporting Period	Remaining Not Yet Disbursed	Deadline
2023	\$7,683	\$7,683	\$0	2023-06-30

G.	MTW Statutory Requirements.
	75% Very Low Income – Local, Non-Traditional.
G.1	HUD will verify compliance with the statutory requirement that at least 75% of the households assisted by the MTW agency are very low-income for MTW public housing units and MTW HCVs through HUD systems. The MTW PHA must provide data for the actual families housed upon admission during the PHA's most recently completed Fiscal Year for its Local, Non-Traditional program households.

Income Level	Number of Local, Non-Traditional Households Admitted in the Fiscal Year*
80%-50% Area Median Income	0
49%-30% Area Median Income	0
Below 30% Area Median Income	0
Total Local, Non-Traditional Households	0

<sup>\*</sup>Local, non-traditional income data must be provided in the MTW Supplement form until such time that it can be submitted in IMS-PIC or other HUD system.

G.2 Establishing Reasonable Rent Policy.

Has the MTW agency established a rent reform policy to encourage employment and self-sufficiency? No

Please describe the MTW agency's plans for its future rent reform activity and the implementation timeline. MTW agency did not established a rent reform policy to encourage employment and self-sufficiency AAHC will review the options available and select one of the MTW Activities.

G.3	Substantially the Same (STS) – Local, Non-Traditional.
The total number of unit months that families were housed in a local, non-traditional rental subsidy for the prior full calendar year.	0 # of unit months
The total number of unit months that families were housed in a local, non-traditional housing development program for the prior full calendar year.	0 # of unit months

Number of units developed under the local, non-traditional housing development activity that were available for occupancy during the prior full calendar year:

PROPERTY NAME/ ADDRESS	IRDI	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6+ BR	TOTAL UNITS	POPULATION TYPE*	Type' is	# of Section 504 Accessible (Mobility)**	,	Was this Property Made Available for Initial	What was the Total Amount of MTW Funds Invested into the Property?
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To demonstrate compliance with the statutory requirement to continue serving a 'comparable mix" of families by family size to that which would have been served without MTW, the MTW agency will provide the number of families occupying local, non-traditional units by household size for the most recently completed Fiscal Year in the provided table.

Family Size:	Occupied Number of Local, Non-Traditional units by Household Size
1 Person	0
2 Person	0
3 Person	0
4 Person	0
5 Person	0
6+ Person	0
Totals	0

#### H. Public Comment

Attached you will find a copy of all of the comments received and a description of how the agency analyzed the comments, as well as any decisions made based on those comments.

No additional public hearing was held for an Agency-Specific Waiver and/or Safe Harbor waiver

l.	Evaluations.

No known evaluations.

Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan (All PHAs)

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### Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan

I, Gregory Dill	, the Washtenaw County Administrator				
Official's Name		Official's Title			
certify that the 5-Year PHA Plan for year 2024/2025 of the ANN ARBOR HOUSING	COMMISSION	and/or Annual PHA Plan for fiscal is consistent with the			
	PHA Name				
Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Housing Choice or Assessment of Fair I	_	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
Washtenaw County					
I	ocal Jurisdiction Na	те			
pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91 and 24 CFR	§ 903.15.				
Provide a description of how the PHA P. State Consolidated Plan.	lan's contents are	consistent with the Consolidated Plan or			
The AAHC has completed redevelopment or	f all its 17 propertie	s with more than \$66 million in funding			
obtained from a variety of sources. In addition	on, AAHC contracts	s with several nonprofits to provide services			
to tenants who reside in project based hous	ing. AAHC will con	tinue the development of affordable housing,			
potentially adding to its current stock, will m	aintaining the quali	ty condition of its units.			
I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any in prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in crimi					
Name of Authorized Official:	Title:				
Gregory Dill	Washt	enaw County Administrator			
Signature:	Date: 0	3/05/2024			

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to solicit the information requested in this form by virtue of Title 12, U.S. Code, Section 1701 et seq., and regulations promulgated thereunder at Title 12, Code of Federal Regulations. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality. This information is collected to ensure consistency with the consolidated plan or state consolidated plan.

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