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The Director's Corner

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) - Public Housing Capital Fund Recovery Formula Grants

PHAs in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington have obligated 100% of available capital fund recovery formula grants to benefit their communities. Public Housing Capital Fund Recovery Grant (CFRG) is for capital and management activities of PHA public housing programs. As provided by ARRA, PHAs shall obligate 100 percent of the funds within one year (by March 17, 2010) of the date on which funds become available to the agency for obligation, shall expend at least 60 percent of funds within two years of the date on which funds become available to the agency for obligation, and shall expend 100 percent of the funds within three years of such date. Funds to PHAs failing to obligate/expend CFRG in accordance with Recovery Act deadlines are subject to recapture and redistribution. The 57 PHAs in Region X have obligated available funds totaling \$59,110,458. As of late March 2010, Region X PHA expenditures are 47.48% (\$28,071,552).

FFY 2010 HUD Appropriations Act (P.L. 111-117) enacted December 16, 2009, includes a number of PHA program funding opportunities. Be prepared for these and other opportunities for which your PHA may qualify.

On behalf of Office of Public Housing team members in the Seattle, Portland & Anchorage offices, we hope this newsletter is helpful to you. Let me know if there are items you would like to see in future newsletters.

Harlan Stewart
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 Region X, Northwest/Alaska Office



HUD Secretary Donovan Announces New Office Focused on Sustainable Development

In early February during a speech at a sustainability forum at Portland State University, and again at the New Partners for Smart Growth Conference in Seattle, HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan announced the creation of the Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities (OSHC). The office is a key component of President Obama's Partnership for Sustainable Communities, an unprecedented joint venture with the Department of Transportation and the Environmental Protection Agency. OSHC's efforts, Donovan says, "will help us streamline our efforts to create stronger, more sustainable communities by connecting housing to jobs, fostering local innovation and building a clean energy economy."

The new office will focus its efforts into studying "smart growth", such as putting money toward expanding mass transit lines to low-income neighborhoods and affordable housing. This is an idea that cities like Portland and Seattle have undertaken for years. With the majority of household income being spent on housing and transportation expenses, improving access to affordable housing, while also offering transportation options, will allow families to save money and give them more time at home and less time traveling. The office also plans to invest in energy efficient homes, renewable energy, and modern infrastructure to pave the way for a clean energy economy needed to compete and create jobs in a 21st century economy.

In the 2010 Budget, Congress provided a total of \$150 million to HUD for a Sustainable Communities Initiative to improve regional planning efforts that integrate housing and transportation decisions, and increase the capacity to improve land use and zoning. Of that total, approximately \$100 million will be available for regional integrated planning initiatives through HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program.

For more information on OSHC visit:

www.hud.gov/sustainability

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Using the eLogic Model® Grant Reporting - Fiscal Year 2009

The Office of Departmental Grants Management and Oversight has made several modifications to the fiscal year 2009 HUD eLogic Model as a way to increase consistency in reporting among grantees and improve searching capabilities.

For a full overview of these changes please access the archived February 17, 2009 training webcast at <http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/webcasts/archives/nofa09>.

When using the HUD eLogic Model to report actual service and outcome data, remember these few simple tips to help reduce reporting errors and eliminate confusion. Should any technical difficulties arise, such as locked data fields, or have questions regarding reporting requirements, contact the Public Housing Revitalization Specialist at the local HUD field office right away. Do not wait until the reporting deadline.

No Recycling!

Under no circumstance should a grant recipient “recycle” a HUD eLogic Model template or attempt to copy and paste information from any previous fiscal year into a new eLogic Model. The formatting and contents of the HUD eLogic Model change on an annual basis. To satisfy the reporting requirements for a specific grant always use the template for the fiscal year the grant was awarded.

Review the expiration information in the template to verify a current OMB approved document is used for reporting.

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US Department of Housing and Urban Development				
OMB Approval 2535-0114 exp. 2009 Pending				
Year 1				
DUNS # [] - []				

File Naming Convention

ROSS Grants - Once a ROSS grant has been awarded, grantees should name their files using the official grant number when sending a HUD eLogic Model to the field office for review i.e. WA002RFS200A09.

HCV Grants - For all HCV grants the following naming convention should be used *HCVPHACodeFiscal Year of Award* (for example, HCVWA001FY2009).

Modifications to the FY 2009 eLogic Model

- 1) Always use the legal name of the agency as entered in box 8a of the SF-424 *Application for Federal Assistance*.
- 2) The Project Location fields (City and State) should be populated with the city and state information where the project is located, not necessarily the location of the PHA/grantee.

HUD Program:		Project Location City:	
Applicant Legal Name:		Project Location State:	
Component Name:		Fiscal Year:	
Project Name:		Reporting Period:	
Project Type:		Reporting Start Date:	
Construction Type:		Reporting End Date:	

- 3) Use the drop down menu to select the reporting period for the current submission (see the applicable NOFA for required reporting frequency).

Project Location State:		OMB Ap
Fiscal Year:		
Reporting Period:		
Reporting Start Date:	Quarterly	DUN:
Reporting End Date:	Semiannually	
	Annually	
	Final	

- 4) Enter the start and end date of the current reporting period.

Project Location City:	
Project Location State:	
Fiscal Year:	
Reporting Period:	
Reporting Start Date:	1/1/2009
Reporting End Date:	3/31/2009

- 5) The “Fiscal Year” 2009 will be pre-populated. This is the NOFA fiscal year.

Project Location State:	
Fiscal Year:	2009
Reporting Period:	

- 6) Mandatory DUNS Number - Enter the DUNS number that corresponds to the grantees legal name. The DUNS number must be consistent with what was entered in box 8a of the SF-424 *Application for Federal Assistance*. This field must be completed in order to save information.

US Department of Housing and Urban Development	
OMB Approval 2535-0114 exp. 02/28/2011	
Year 1	
DUNS #	123456789 - []

7) Reporting Tab - The Reporting and Evaluation Tabs have been combined into a single Reporting Tab. Grantees will complete the Management Questions and provide an explanation of any deviations from the approved eLogic Model. The information collected by HUD from its grantees is used for national program evaluation.

Total Tab during the second and third years of reporting, if applicable. ■

Education-ESL classes-Enrolled	Persons	Financial-Escrow accounts established	Households
8		25	
Education-Post secondary classes-Enrolled	Persons	Financial-Escrow accounts with positive balances-	Accounts
2		25	
Training-Vocational training-Enrolled	Persons	Housing-Purchased home	Households
5			

2 Problem, Need, Situation	3 Services or Activities/Outputs	4 Measure		
		Pre	Post	YTD
There is a need to link new FSS program participants to services and economic opportunities that will lead to employment and economic self-sufficiency.	Outreach-Outreach to RH families-FSS program	150	Households	
	Case Management-New FSS Contracts of Participation	30	Households	
	Case Management-Participants-Continuing	45	Persons	
	Case Management-Individual Training Service Plans	30	Persons	
	Education-ESL classes-Enrolled	8	Persons	
	Education-Post secondary classes-Enrolled	2	Persons	
	Training-Vocational training-Enrolled	5	Persons	
	Education-CED program-Enrolled	5	Persons	
	Education-Credit repair education-Enrolled	5	Persons	
	Education-Financial management education-	9	Persons	

Reporting

Grantees must complete the **Post** and **YTD** columns. The YTD column reflects the year to date information of each year; it is *not* a cumulative figure for the entire length of the grant. The cumulative YTD information should be entered on the

EPA’s Repair, Renovate, and Paint (RRP) rule effective April 22, 2010

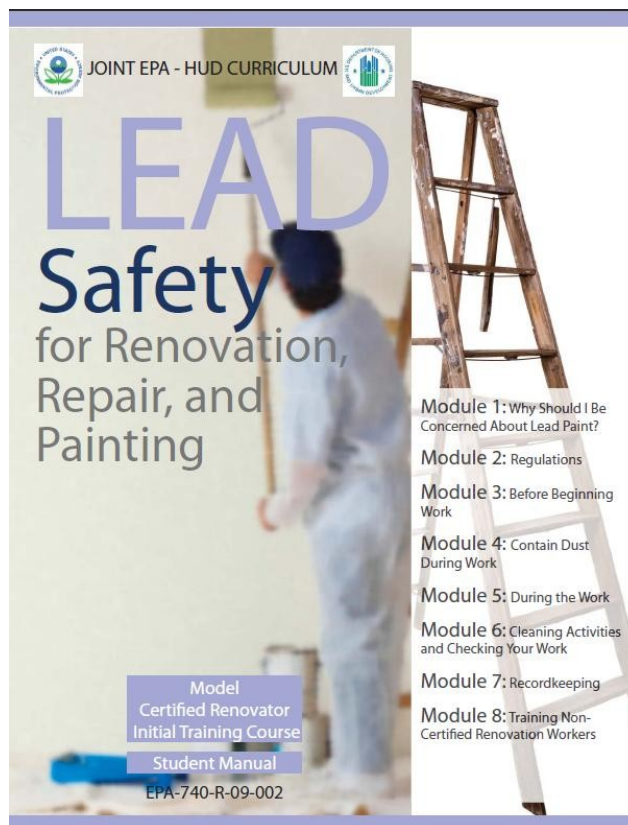
The rule will affect paid renovators who work in pre-1978 HUD-assisted housing and child-occupied facilities, including:

- Renovation contractors
- Maintenance workers in multi-family and public housing
- Painters and other specialty trades.

than 2 square feet of paint is disturbed in a room as compared to 6 square feet in RRP. Window replacement is not a minor maintenance or repair. To see a comparison chart between the LSHR and RRP please go to http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/enforcement/lshr_rrp_changes.cfm

Under the rule, child-occupied facilities are defined as residential, public or commercial buildings where children under age six are present on a regular basis. The requirements apply to renovation, repair or painting activities. The rule does not apply to minor maintenance or repair activities where less than six square feet of lead-based paint is disturbed in a room or where less than 20 square feet of lead-based paint is disturbed on the exterior. However, when the EPA's RRP rule is less stringent than HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule (LSHR), the strictest requirements will apply. A good example of this would be that HUD's LSHR triggers lead work activities when only more

Another important change with the RRP rule is training. When this rule is effective, renovation firms must be certified. At least one certified renovator must be at the job or available when work is being done. (The certified renovator may be a certified LBP abatement supervisor who has completed the 4-hour RRP refresher course or attended the 8-hour EPA/HUD Model Renovator Course Lead Safety for Renovation, Repair, and Painting from a certified training provider.



For more information regarding these important changes please go to the HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC) Renovation, Repair, and Painting website at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/training/rrp/rrp.cfm> ■

Customer Service Center

Do you **need help solving a complaint?** **have questions on rent calculations?**



- Local Agency Contact Information
- PIH Guidebooks and Notices
 - Public Housing, Section 8, Homeownership fact sheets
- Applicable References to Regulations (CFR)
- HUD Webcasts on DVD

These are just some of the customer services that the PIH Information and Resource Center provides to the General Public, Public Housing/Section 8 Residents, and Housing Agency Staff

Call us now at
1-800-955-2232

or e-mail pihirc@deval.us

Monday through Friday 9am-5pm EST

fax 877-338-2570



Training Opportunities and Webcasts

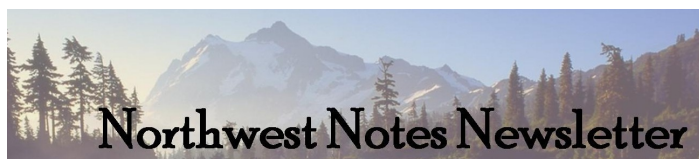
Required EIV Training

The Refinement of Income & Rent Rule and Effective Use of the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System training session aired on January 28, 2010.

This training is *not* a repeat of PIH's September 24, 2009, RHIP/EIV training session and is *required* of all PIH EIV system users, including those individuals who will not access the PIH EIV system, but will view printed or electronic EIV information.

PIH EIV users must complete this training by October 30, 2010, as a condition of initial or continued EIV access. If you were unable to view the training on January 28, 2010, you may view it once it is archived in the [Webcast Archives](#).

If you would like to receive a Certificate of Completion for this training, complete and submit the [Certificate Request form](#) to PIH.RHIP.TA@HUD.GOV, by the close of business **October 31, 2010**. ■



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Section 8 Homeownership Closings as of 03/18/2010

State	No. of Closings
Alaska	46
Idaho	112
Oregon	99
Washington	194
HUB Total	451

Recently Published Guidance

PIH Notices

Notice	Issued	Title
PIH 2010-10	03-31-2010	HQs Inspections for the Housing Choice Voucher Program and Guidance Related to Electrical Outlets
PIH 2010-9	03-30-2010	Effective Use of the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System's Deceased Tenants Report to Reduce
PIH 2010-8	03-26-2010	Renewal of Project-Based Certificate Housing Assistance Payments Contracts
PIH 2010-7	03-12-2010	Reporting of Administrative Fee Reserves
PIH 2010-6	03-08-2010	Changes to Unit Reporting in Public Housing Information Center (PIC)
PIH 2010-5	02-16-2010	Implementation of the Federal Fiscal Year 2010 Funding Provisions for the Housing Choice Voucher Pro-
PIH 2010-4	01-22-2010	Extension--Guidance for Obtaining HUD Consent for Takings of Public Housing Property by Eminent Do- main
PIH 2010-3	01-20-2010	Guidance - Verification of Social Security Numbers (SSNs), Social Security (SS) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits
PIH 2010-2	01-05-2010	Non-Discrimination and Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities
PIH 2010-1	01-05-2010	Extension of the Disaster Voucher Program (DVP)

Federal Register Notices

FR-5213-FA-02	03-31-2010	<u>Announcement of Funding Awards for the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Program for Fiscal Years (FY) 2008 and 2009</u>
FR-5386-N-01	03-31-2010	<u>Privacy Act of 1974; Notice of Modification of Existing Computer Matching Program Between the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Social Security Administration (SSA): Matching Tenant Data in Assisted Housing Programs</u>
FR-5383-N-04	03-31-2010	<u>Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment; Allocation of Operating Subsidies</u>
FR-5374-N-08	03-19-2010	<u>Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009</u>
FR-5374-N-07	03-17-2010	<u>Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009</u>
FR-5391-N-02	02-10-2010	<u>Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program—Renewal Funding Annual Adjustment Factors, Fiscal Year 2010</u>
FR-5391-N-01	02-10-2010	<u>Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program—Contract Rent Annual Adjustment Factors, Fiscal Year 2010</u>
FR-5300-FA-33	02-05-2010	<u>Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 2009 for the Housing Choice Voucher Program</u>
FR-5374-N-05	02-04-2010	<u>Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009</u>
FR-5351-F-03	01-27-2010	<u>Refinement of Income and Rent Determination Requirements in Public and Assisted Housing Programs: Implementation of the Enterprise Income Verification System; Withdrawal of Rescinded Regulatory Amendments</u>
FR-5376-N-05	01-26-2010	<u>Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System User Access Authorization Form and Rules of Behavior</u>
FR-5376-N-04	01-26-2010	<u>Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System-Debts Owed to PHAs and Terminations</u>
FR-5376-N-03	01-26-2010	<u>Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Certification</u>
FR-5322-N-01	01-12-2010	<u>Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS): Asset Management Transition Year 2 Information</u>
FR-5374-N-04	01-11-2010	<u>Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009</u>



E-Memos (electronic memoranda)

Office	Issued	Purpose
Seattle HUB	03-30-2010	FYE June 30,2009 Audited Financial submission due date extension
Seattle HUB	03-26-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS) Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Seattle HUB	03-24-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS) Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Seattle HUB	03-24-2010	Transforming Rental Assistance Webcast for Residents
Seattle HUB	03-05-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information (SAGIS) Maintenance
Seattle HUB	02-29-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS) Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Seattle HUB	02-17-2010	FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act-Housing Choice Voucher Program-Webcast Rescheduled
Seattle HUB	02-10-2010	FY 2010 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Renewal Funding & Contract Rent Annual Adjustment Factors
Seattle HUB	02-05-2010	FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act-Housing Choice Voucher Program-Webcast
Seattle HUB	02-05-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS): PHA and Fee Accountant Set-up

E-Memos (Continued)

Office	Issued	Purpose
Portland FO	03-30-2010	FYE June 30, 2009 Audited Financial Submission Due Date Extension
Portland FO	03-26-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS) Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Portland FO	03-24-2010	Transforming Rental Assistance Webcast for Residents
Portland FO	03-24-2010	Subsidy and Grants Information System (SAGIS) Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Portland FO	02-26-2010	Youth Program Information Website
Portland FO	02-26-2010	SAGIS Update and Operating Fund Data Submission Extension
Portland FO	02-17-2010	FY10 Consolidated Appropriations Act—HCV Webcast rescheduled
Portland FO	02-08-2010	SAGIS and Fee Accountant Set-up



Important Dates

Please Note: All dates subject to change. Refer to program websites for complete list of forms due!!!

FYE 3-31 PHAs

- 03-31-2010 Audited FASS for FYE 03-31-2009 due to REAC. See PIH 2009-34.
- 05-30-2010 SEMAP Submission due in PIC
- 05-31-2010 Unaudited FASS for FYE 3-31-2010 submission due to REAC

FYE 6-30 PHAs

- 03-31-2010 Copy of Audited FASS for 06-30-2009 due to Field Office
- 04-30-2010 Audited FASS for 06-30-2009 due to REAC

FYE 9-30 PHAs

- 06-30-2010 Audited FASS for FYE 09/30/2009 due to REAC and copy of audit due to Field Office
- 07-16-2010 PHA Plan Submission (CFP Performance and Evaluation Reports must be included in Plan)

FYE 12-31 PHAs

- 03-31-2010 Unaudited FASS due to REAC for 12-31-2009

All PHAs

- 04-29-2010 All PHAs must recertify their EIV users
- Monthly CFP obligated-expended data is submitted through eLOCCS. CFP work completion activities where pre-audit is required, are reminded to submit Final P&E Reports with AMCC to Field Office.
- Monthly Send complete copy of renewal Mod Rehab program HAP contracts with owners to FMC representative. Please include Attachment A. Contracts needed to request renewal funds and to release payments.
- Monthly VMS data collection (HUD 52681B submitted electronically). Ensure data is submitted timely and accurately. Failure to report timely could result in loss of Administrative fees. Check VMS website for exact submission dates <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/centers/fmc/index.cfm>
- Reminder Please continue to submit Year-End Settlement Statements (HUD-52681) for Section 8 Mod Rehab, SROs, and Mainstream (DV) vouchers ONLY. Submit to FMC (45 calendar days after FYE). 90 days prior to FYB, submit complete budget (HUD-52673, 52672, 52663) for Mod Rehab, SRO, HOPE VI, Mainstream (DV code-5 year increments), to FMC representative.

ARRA

- 09/2010 PHAs must obligate 100% of the Competitive Grant award within 12 months of the ACC effective date
- 03/17/2011 PHAs must expend at least 60% of the Formula Grant