



OFFICE OF PUBLIC & INDIAN HOUSING

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Dear Executive Director,

I'm excited to share with you that the Department has posted a new resource to help PHAs adopt Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMR). The [SAFMR website](#) has just gone live!

This new website provides videos and other training resources to help PHAs adopt SAFMRs. There is also an interactive dashboard that allows users to view data on SAFMR adoption by PHA, geography, and type of adoption.

I have first-hand experience implementing SAFMRs as Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Cook County, and I was able to see how this program tool can have a powerful impact on families' well-being.

Since adoption, thousands of HACC's families have located in Chicago-area communities with better schools, safer streets, and more opportunities — communities that would have been out of reach for them without SAFMRs.

While SAFMRs are not a cure-all, they are an essential tool for improving families' outcomes in meaningful ways, from improving the health of adults to increasing their children's chances of attending college. **I strongly encourage all PHAs to adopt this critical program tool.**

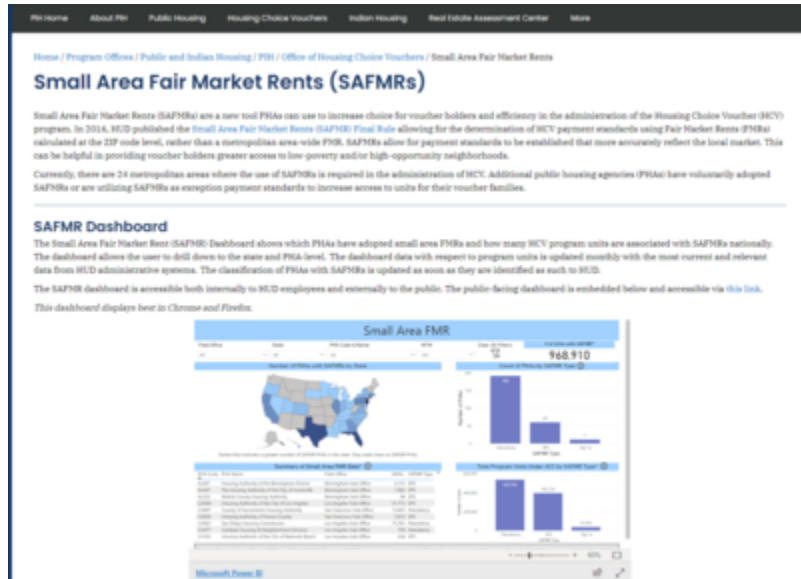
To help PHAs adopt SAFMRs, HUD is providing special HCV Administrative funds in 2023 to help cover the costs of SAFMR implementation. Please note, **the application deadline is October 31, 2023**. To learn more, please review the [PIH Notice 2023-07](#), or contact 2023SpecialFees@hud.gov. For more information on how to adopt SAFMR please contact your local PIH Field Office.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard J. Monocchio".

Richard J. Monocchio
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
Office of Public and Indian Housing

Click below to visit the new SAFMR page!



We hope you enjoy receiving these messages from HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing.

Public Housing Agency contact information is retrieved from HUD's Public Housing Information Center (PIC).

If your agency's contact information is out of date, please update PIC with the correct contact information.

We update our email lists from PIC twice a month, so you should see your change reflected after two weeks.

Thank you for furthering HUD's mission in the communities you serve.