



ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION

**5-Year Plan FY 25 – FY 29
including
July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026
One Year Annual Plan
And
MTW Supplement Plan**

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Definitions and Acronyms

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

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 40th 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.

FUP: Family Unification Program. A program under which Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) are provided to two different populations: 1. Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor and 2. 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.

FYI: Foster Youth Initiative. A program which Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance available to Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) in partnership with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs) to provide housing assistance on behalf of: Youth at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age (have not reached their 25th birthday) who left foster care or will leave foster care within 90 days.

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.

MS5: Is a special purpose voucher program. Mainstream vouchers assist non-elderly persons with disabilities.

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.

NED: Non-Elderly Disabled. Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) awarded under different special purpose voucher program types to serve Category 1 vouchers non-elderly persons or families with disabilities to access affordable housing on the private market.

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).

VASH: Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing. The special purpose voucher program combines HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

City of Ann Arbor Housing Commission

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
Siller Terrace	1962	16	1474-1484 Liberty, 1540-1582 Siller, & 528 Virginia
Summation		564	

5-Year PHA Plan (for All PHAs)	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing	OMB No. 2577-0226 Expires: 03/31/2024
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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, 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-50075-5Y** is to be completed once every 5 PHA fiscal years by all PHAs.

A.	PHA Information.
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A.1	<p>PHA Name: <u>ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION</u> PHA Code: <u>MI064</u></p> <p>PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): <u>07/2025</u> The Five-Year Period of the Plan (i.e. 2019-2023): <u>2025-2029</u> PHA Plan Submission Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5-Year Plan Submission <input type="checkbox"/> Revised 5-Year Plan Submission</p> <p>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 on 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 each Asset Management Project (AMP) and main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official websites. PHAs are also encouraged to provide each resident council a copy of their PHA Plans.</p>
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PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete table below.)

Participating PHAs	PHA Code	Program(s) in the Consortia	Program(s) not in the Consortia	No. of Units in Each Program	
				PH	HCV
Lead PHA:					

B.	Plan Elements. Required for <u>all</u> PHAs completing this form.
B.1	Mission. State the PHA’s mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families in the PHA’s jurisdiction for the next five years. The Ann Arbor Housing Commission (AAHC) seeks to provide desirable housing and related supportive services primarily for extremely low-income to very low-income individuals and families on a transitional and/or permanent basis. AAHC partners with community supportive service providers to build healthy residential communities and promote an atmosphere of pride and responsibility.
B.2	Goals and Objectives. Identify the PHA’s quantifiable goals and objectives that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families for the next five years. FY25-29: 1. Develop new affordable housing. 2. Increase the number of Project-based Vouchers in the City of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County that have a strong economic base and public transportation, especially for homeless and special needs households. 3. Increase supportive housing for residents with complex needs spanning from homelessness, mental illness, substance abuse, and/or disabilities.
B.3	Progress Report. Include a report on the progress the PHA has made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5-Year Plan. AAHC has increased the number of assisted households through its project-based voucher from 487 to 603 units. In addition, AAHC has increased the HCV program allocation from 1655 to 1819. Lastly, AAHC has increased the number of supportive housing through the administration of EHV, MS5, VASH, and FUP special purpose voucher programs.
B.4	Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals. Provide a statement of the PHA’s goals, activities, objectives, policies, or programs that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. AAHC partners with 4 local non-profits to provide a broad range of on-site services to tenants. In addition, offers support service to HCV participants including those impact by the justice system. We partner the local domestic violence shelter, Safe House.
C.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.
C.1	Significant Amendment or Modification. Provide a statement on the criteria used for determining a significant amendment or modification to the 5-Year Plan. AAHC defines significant amendment to mean a change in policy that redirects the Ann Arbor Housing Commission’s course and/or revises its mission, goals, and objectives. Substantial deviation or modification is defined as a change to the AAHC’s policies that reflect a directional shift from the published mission and policies included in the Annual Agency Plan, such as; changes to rent that could negatively impact tenants such as increasing the minimum rent or changes to admission policies or any change regarding disposition.
C.2	<p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the 5-Year PHA Plan?</p> <p>Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the 5-Year PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.</p>
C.3	<p>Certification by State or Local Officials.</p> <p>Form HUD-50077-SL, <i>Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p>

C.4	Required Submission for HUD FO Review. (a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan? Y N <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) If yes, include Challenged Elements.
D.	Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

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Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. (Non-qualified PHAs are only required to complete this section on the Annual PHA Plan. All qualified PHAs must complete this section.)

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 housing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete this chart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for further 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.

Fair Housing Goal:

Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal

To avoid duplicative administrative burden for publicly supported housing, coordinate rental inspection process between HUD, MSHDA, and local regulations.

Fair Housing Goal:

Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal

Prioritize public subsidies/incentives for affordable housing developments in high opportunity markets. Encourage the use of publicly owned land in high opportunity markets for affordable housing or proceeds go toward affordable housing.

Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-5Y - 5-Year PHA Plan for All PHAs

A. PHA Information. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR § 903.4)

- A.1** Include the full **PHA Name, PHA Code, PHA Fiscal Year Beginning** (MM/YYYY), **Five-Year Period** that the Plan covers, i.e. 2019-2023, **PHA Plan Submission Type**, and the **Availability of Information**, specific location(s) of all information relevant to the hearing and proposed PHA Plan.

PHA Consortia: Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete the table.

B. Plan Elements.

- B.1 Mission.** State the PHA’s mission for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families in the PHA’s jurisdiction for the next five years. ([24 CFR § 903.6\(a\)\(1\)](#))
- B.2 Goals and Objectives.** Identify the PHA’s quantifiable goals and objectives that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families for the next five years. ([24 CFR § 903.6\(b\)\(1\)](#))
- B.3 Progress Report.** Include a report on the progress the PHA has made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5- Year Plan. ([24 CFR § 903.6\(b\)\(2\)](#))
- B.4 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals.** Provide a statement of the PHA’s goals, activities objectives, policies, or programs that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. ([24 CFR § 903.6\(a\)\(3\)](#)).

C. Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.

- C.1 Significant Amendment or Modification.** Provide a statement on the criteria used for determining a significant amendment or modification to the 5-Year Plan. For modifications resulting from the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program, refer to the ‘Sample PHA Plan Amendment’ found in Notice PIH-2012-32, REV 2.

C.2 Resident Advisory Board (RAB) comments.

- (a) Did the public or RAB have comments?
- (b) If yes, submit 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 § 903.17\(b\)](#), [24 CFR § 903.19](#))

C.3 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.4 Required Submission for HUD FO Review.

Challenged Elements.

- (a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan?
- (b) If yes, 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.

(Non-qualified PHAs are only required to complete this section on the Annual PHA Plan. All qualified PHAs must complete this section.)

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 5-Year PHA Plan. The 5-Year PHA Plan provides the PHA’s mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families and the progress made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5-Year Plan.

Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 1.64 hours per year per response or 8.2 hours per response every five years, 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.

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

A.	PHA Information.																																			
A.1	<p>PHA Name: <u>ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION</u> PHA Code: <u>MI064</u> PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): <u>07/2025</u> PHA Inventory (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above) Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) ²⁰²⁷ _____ PHA Plan Submission Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Submission <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Annual Submission</p> <p>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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a joint Plan and complete table below)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">Participating PHAs</th> <th style="width: 10%;">PHA Code</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Program(s) in the Consortia</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Program(s) not in the Consortia</th> <th style="width: 20%;">No. of Units in Each Program</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lead HA:</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Participating PHAs	PHA Code	Program(s) in the Consortia	Program(s) not in the Consortia	No. of Units in Each Program	Lead HA:																													
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B.	Plan Elements.
B.1	<p>Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.</p> <p>a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?</p> <p>Y N</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial Resources.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rent Determination.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operation and Management.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informal Review and Hearing Procedures.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Homeownership Programs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substantial Deviation.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Significant Amendment/Modification.</p> <p>(b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s):</p>
B.2	New Activities. – Not Applicable
B.3	<p>Progress Report.</p> <p>Provide a description of the PHA’s progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan. See attached report</p>
	Capital Improvements. – Not Applicable
B.5	<p>Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.</p> <p>(a) Were there any findings in the most recent FY Audit?</p> <p>Y N N/A</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, please describe:</p>
C.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.
C.1	<p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the PHA Plan?</p> <p>Y N</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(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.</p>
C.2	<p>Certification by State or Local Officials.</p> <p>Form HUD 50077-SL, <i>Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p>
C.3	<p>Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan.</p> <p>Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, <i>PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p>
C.4	<p>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.</p> <p>(a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan?</p> <p>Y N</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, include Challenged Elements.</p>

D. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

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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 housing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete this chart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for further detail on completing this item.

<p>Fair Housing Goal:</p> <p><u><i>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</i></u></p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Fair Housing Goal:</p> <p><u><i>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</i></u></p> <p>To avoid duplicative administrative burden for publicly supported housing, coordinate rental inspection process between HUD, MSHDA, and local regulations.</p>
<p>Fair Housing Goal:</p> <p><u><i>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</i></u></p> <p>Prioritize public subsidies/incentives for affordable housing developments in high opportunity markets. Encourage the use of publicly owned land in high opportunity markets for affordable housing or proceeds go toward affordable housing.</p>

Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-HCV Annual PHA Plan for HCV-Only PHAs

A. PHA 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\(a\)](#))

B. Plan Elements. All PHAs must complete this section. ([24 CFR §903.11\(c\)\(3\)](#))

B.1 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, very 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 housing needs in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154(d)(2)(iv), information on households with individuals with disabilities and households of various races and ethnic 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\(a\)\(2\)\(i\)](#)) 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\(e\)](#)).

Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. 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\(l\)\(i\)](#)) 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\(l\)\(iii\)](#)).

Substantial Deviation. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a “substantial deviation” to its 5-Year Plan. ([24 CFR §903.7\(r\)\(2\)\(i\)](#))

Significant Amendment/Modification. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a “Significant Amendment or Modification” to its 5-Year and Annual Plan.

If any boxes are marked “yes”, 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

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Plan Attachment

Section B.1 Element Proposed Changes

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 a limited preference for homeless households. AAHC last opened its waiting list on August 3, 2020; we received over 3,300 applications. Although, the regular HCV waiting list remains closed we continued to accept applications from households qualified for households with a disabled adult between the ages 18-61. Below are the waiting list demographics as of 11/19/24:

HCV Waiting List

White	748
Black	2738
Asian	34
American Indian	18
Pacific Islander	3
Multiple Race	306
No Identification	0
Hispanic	151
Non-Hispanic	3696
Female	3058
Male	788
Average Annual Income	\$12,038
Average Household Size	2
Elderly (Age 62 and older)	433
Disabled	1082
Homeless	1458

- 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 a limited preference for homeless households. AAHC manages some site-based waiting lists and a combined waiting list for its PBV program and RAD PBV program. In October 2024, AAHC opened the PBV/RAD PBV waitlist for four (4) and five (5) bedroom units. In October 2024, the AAHC opened the site-based Charring Square Waiting List in Monroe County for one (1) and three (3) bedroom units. AAHC has an open waiting list for senior housing developments, Lurie Terrace and Courthouse Square. Below are the waiting list demographics as of 11/19/24:

PBV Waiting List

	Charring	Lurie	Courthouse	RAD PBV
White	158	154	217	410
Black	669	106	186	1635
Asian	4	9	7	16
American Indian	7	3	6	10
Pacific Islander	1	0	0	2

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Multiple Race	91	18	0	194
No Identification	0	0	0	1
Hispanic	33	11	15	79
Non-Hispanic	897	279	428	2189
Female	726	173	247	1858
Male	204	117	196	410
Average Household Size	2	1	1	3
Elderly (Age 62 and older)	38	320	158	146
Disabled	222	135	140	500
Homeless	544	86	93	1037
Average Annual Income	\$12,183	\$16,097	\$14,359	\$13,010

Administrative Plan Policies

Chapter 6. Income and Subsidy Determinations, Chapter 7. Verifications., Chapter 8. Housing Quality Standards, And Chapter 11. Reexaminations.

AAHC administers the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program in accordance with HUD regulation. The HCV Administrative Plan describes the policies used to administer assistance to applicants and participating families. Currently the policies used to administer the program specifically, for Chapter 6. Income and Subsidy Determinations, Chapter 7. Verifications., Chapter 8. Housing Quality Standards, and Chapter 11. Reexaminations are subject to change once HUD has approved the new regulation for HOTMA 102 Income and 104 Assets, NSPIRE (Previously Housing Quality Standards), Reexaminations, and Verifications. HUD has yet to set an official date to implement the new regulation.

Once HUD has determined a date of compliance for implementing HOTMA 102 Income and 104 Assets regulation the PHA will follow policies as outlined in Chapter 6. Income and Subsidy Determinations, Chapter 7. Verifications., Chapter 8. Housing Quality Standards, and Chapter 11. Reexaminations, as applicable upon the HUD’s HOTMA 102/104 compliance date.

Chapter 15 – Special Housing Types

AAHC administers Homeownership special housing type voucher assistance. AAHC has amended its policy to allow up to five homeownership voucher per year. AAHC may exceed this number for eligible families as a reasonable accommodation. Preference will be given to elderly, disabled, and Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) participants who have graduated from the program or who have participated for at least 6 months. Applicants will be selected based on their date and time of application including any preferences.

Chapter 16 – Program Administration: Payment Standard

AAHC will voluntarily adopt the use of Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMR) in Washtenaw and Monroe Counties. AAHC 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, 48109, 48111, 48174, 48187, and 48188. The payment standard is 110% of the SAFMR. In addition, AAHC will implement the use of

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MTW Activity 2. B: Payment Standards Fair Market Rent (FMR) which allows the AAHC to establish a payment standard for up to 120% of the FMR.

Chapter 17 – PROJECT BASED VOUCHER

In accordance with HUD regulation, the AAHC is required to include in its Administrative Plan if the PHA will designate PBV unit specifically for HUD VASH and FUP vouchers. Therefore, AAHC has included this policy in its Administrative Plan. AAHC will award PBVs to projects specifically designated for VASH or FUP assistance through a non-competitive process. AAHC will allow for project-based voucher assistance for units designated for eligible youth to use Family Unification Program assistance. Units that receive FUP PBV assistance is solely for eligible youth.

HUD has amended its regulation regarding PBV units with supportive service. Therefore, the AAHC's new policy states that when supportive services are made available to project -based voucher assisted families, support services may be provided by the owner or another provider and may be provided on site or off-site, however, will be reasonably available to all families. Supportive Services may include but is not limited to: Transportation, medical support, substance use treatment, daily living, financial management, childcare, community building, conflict management, eviction prevention, family services, technology support, work skills development and job training.

Chapter 18: - RAD Project Based Voucher:

In accordance with HUD regulations, families that actually receive services in units where families receive supportive service may be subject to termination if the families fail to complete their supportive service requirements and the AAHC will monitor those families on a quarterly basis.

New HUD regulations allow the AAHC to accept the results of inspections performed by HUD REAC, HOME, or LIHTC programs for initial and periodic inspection. To implement this regulation AAHC must consider the entity perform the REAC, HOME, or LIHTC inspection use a sampling method with selecting units for inspection. HUD regulation requires that if the PHA chooses to accept alternative inspection and the entity uses a sampling method to select units, the sample must include units occupied by families assisted under the HCV or PBV program.

Therefore, AAHC has adopted the policy to accept alternative inspections. The inspections will only be accepted if PBV and HCV units are included in the population of units forming the basis of the sample. The PHA will not utilize inspection results other than from inspections conducted by HUD or for the HOME or LIHTC programs.

AAHC will maintain a community-wide waiting list for its RAD PBV units. The waiting list will consist of the following preferences; disabled, residential, and Continuum of Care (CoC) homeless referrals.

AAHC will apply the alternative requirements applicable to the pre-conversion residents to new admission families. New admission families covered under the waiver are participants under the PBV program, all the family obligations and protections under RAD and PBV apply to the family, the RAD PBV families are subject to the same alternative requirements applicable to the pre-conversion residents, and the unit is subject to all PBV program requirements.

Chapter 19 - SPECIAL VOUCHER TYPE:

FYI - AAHC will administer the Foster Youth Initiative (FYI) program, in partnership with the local Public Child Welfare Agency, Dept of Health and Human Service (DHHS), who is responsible for identifying and

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referring eligible youth to the PHA and providing or securing a commitment for the provision of supportive services once youth are admitted to the program.

VASH - If the PBV project is either on the grounds of a VA facility or there are HUD-VASH supportive services provided onsite at the project, the PHA may opt to select a unit occupied by a zero HAP VASH eligible family or admit a zero HAP VASH family to a unit if such unit is made exclusively available to VASH families.

Mainstream -The agency administers Mainstream special voucher type assistance. The AAHC must adopt policies for determining waiting list management of eligible applicants. The agency current maintains one housing choice voucher waiting lists for all applicants, including mainstream. AAHC will amend it policy to maintain two separate waiting list, one for tenant-based voucher assistance and one for applicants eligible for Mainstream voucher assistance. The Mainstream voucher assistance waiting list will not allow any preference for applicants placed on the waiting list. Applicants will be placed on the waiting list using the date and time of application. Eligibility for placement on the waiting list will be determined at the time of application.

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Financial Resources:

2025 Planned Financial Sources and Uses		
Federal Sources	Planned (Est.)	Planned Uses
Moving to Work Housing Choice Voucher Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) & Admin Fees	\$20,125,900	HCV and PBV HAP & Admin Expenses
EHV/VASH/FUP Housing Choice Voucher Housing Assistance Payments (HAP)	\$2,900,000	EHV/VASH/FUP HAP
EHV/VASH/FUP Admin Fees	\$300,000	EHV/VSH/FUP Admin Expenses
Mainstream Voucher Program Housing Assistance Payments (HAP)	\$2,750,000	HAP Expenses
Mainstream Voucher Admin Fees	\$290,000	Administrative Expenses
Family Self-Sufficiency	\$244,000	Family Self-Sufficiency Program
Other (Fraud Recovery)	\$118,000	Voucher Programs and Central Office
Capital Funds and Operating Funds for Turnkey III	\$7,800	Garden Circle (MI064000100)
Other Federal Grants	\$1,000,000	Affordable Housing Development
NON-FEDERAL SOURCES (LIST BELOW)		
City of Ann Arbor General Fund	\$160,000	Voucher Administration, Central Office
Affordable Housing Millage	\$6,907,000	Affordable Housing Development, Tenant Serv ices, and Administrative Expenses
Mental Health Millage Rebate	\$1,128,000	Tenant Services and Administrative Expenses
Other Revenue	\$4,593,478	Tenant Services and Administrative Expenses & Affordable Housing Development
Total Resources	\$40,524,178	

Section Annual Plan B.2 New Activities and Five-Year Plan Goals and Objectives

Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Project-Based Vouchers: AAHC has requested a waiver from HUD to accept otherwise eligible Zero Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) families as new admission. HUD requires project-based voucher (PBV) families generate a housing assistance payment during initial leasing. The regulations states that families moving into PBV units must have HAP assistance at the point of move-in. The regulation excluded in-place families for the RAD PBV program. However, PHAs have the option to extend this exclusion in circumstances where low RAD PBV rents may prohibit a significant number of otherwise eligible families on the waiting list from being admitted to the project because they do not require subsidy, and which could consequently create an undue concentration of poverty at the project compared to non-RAD PBV projects. By implementing this regulation AAHC will increase housing opportunities to families and disrupt concentrated poverty at its sites. Upon HUD approval, AAHC will admit otherwise eligible families and to allow the units those families occupy to remain under the HAP contract even if AAHC has not paid HAP for the family in 180 days.

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), or NSPIRE, once implemented by HUD. Finally, the AAHC has establish a reasonable rent policy that will encourage self-sufficiency for participating families.

Garden Circle Turnkey III Section 18 Repositioning: 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 under the Public Housing 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., including the current resident. The AAHC will dispose of the property through the Section 18 Demo/Dispo repositioning process. as a small PHA. The property will be sold for \$1 to the Ann Arbor Housing Development Corporation, a Michigan non-profit created by the AAHC. Under the Section 18 process, the existing resident must be re-screened for eligibility under the Voucher Program to qualify for a tenant protection voucher. The AAHC offered the current resident the option to continue living at Garden with a project-based voucher or move with a tenant-based voucher, if qualified. A Section 18 application was submitted to the SAC in June 2024 and the property will be sold to the AAHDC as soon as HUD approves the transaction.

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Staff held several meetings with the resident between March 2023 and November 2023. If there are any public housing funds in the fund balance after deducting the reasonable and necessary costs of disposition, the fund balance 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. However, the AAHC will close out its public housing program after Garden is sold.

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 and will be owned by separate legal entities. 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.3. Annual and Five-Year Plan 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. Close-out Public Housing Program.

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 HUD has not yet approved for conversion.

- 2) Preservation of RAD-converted properties

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.

Continue to reinvest in existing RAD-converted properties to preserve this affordable housing.

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- 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 approximately 200 vouchers will be converted to project-based vouchers by FY29.

 - a. Statement of need Consistent to PHA Plan: AAHC will project-base up to 30% 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 senior and residents with complex needs spanning from homelessness, mental illness, substance use disorders, and/or other physical/mental disabilities.
 - a. Invest in senior housing through development and/or redevelopment
 - b. Increase support services for tenants in affordable housing and voucher program
 - c. Through community partnerships
 - d. Additional funding sources
 - e. Continue to work with partners and provide support to eligible families

Continuum of Care (CoC)

The AAHC is a board member of the Continuum of Care and will continue to partner with other CoC agencies to provide housing and services to homeless households. The AAHC currently has a partnership with Avalon Housing and Ozone House to provide 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 provide on-site services. These funds have enabled Avalon to provide 24/7 services at Miller Manor.

Support Service HCV Eviction Prevention

The AAHC is partnering with SOS to provide eviction prevention and voucher program termination prevention for AAHC voucher program participants. 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 contracts with Avalon Housing, Peace Neighborhood Center, Community Action Network, Ozone House, and Huron Valley PACE to provide on-site services for tenants at properties owned and managed by the AAHC and its affiliated legal entities.

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.

Also, AAHC administers the Rising Hope program. Rising Hope assist housing choice voucher participants who have been impacted by the criminal justice system. Participants receive supportive services aimed to help families maintain their housing assistance. AAHC partners with several agencies to ensure family's needs are met.

Family Unification Program (FUP)

The AAHC is partnering 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 is partnering 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. AAHC administers 251 Mainstream vouchers.

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.

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Emergency Housing Vouchers

AAHC received an award for the 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 currently administers 26 EHV to eligible families.

AAHC works with the CoC and its other homeless services/victim services referral partners in determining which activities it will undertake in support of EHV 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.

Foster Youth Initiative Vouchers

AAHC received an award of 6 *Foster Youth Initiative Vouchers (FYI)* effective October 16, 2024.

Additional Vouchers

AAHC applied for 6 addition FUP vouchers in October 2024. Although, the award has not been announced we are confident that the application will be approved. On January 6, 2025, AAHC was awarded 41 vouchers for the administer for eligible VASH families.

HUD HCV Administrative Fee Support

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 pre-move 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 provides annual funding for resident supportive services through a variety of programs contracted to local non-profit service providers.

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Section Annual Plan C.1 and Five-Year Plan C.2: Resident Advisory Board Comments

The Resident Advisory Board (RAB): *January 18, 2025 at 3:00 pm*

This meeting focused on the AAHC's Annual Plan and Agency Five Year Plan. Other topics included: MTW Supplement Plan, the Final Rule implementing Sections 102, 103, and 104 of the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA) regulation changes for future adoption.

ATTENDEES: Weneshia Brand; Albert Ceoux, Susan Harris, Eutopia Murff-Riley, Stephanie Grant

DISCUSSION:

HCV Owner Trash and Administrative Fees

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 new applicants' security deposits and paying application fees. In addition, AAHC plans to include trash fees in its utility allowance calculations.

Interim Reexaminations:

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.

Deductions:

\$525 is deducted from the annual income of elderly or disabled households. 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.

Elderly or Disabled households who spend over 10% of their annual income on out-of-pocket health care and medical cost will have expenses deducted from their annual income. 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.

Asset Limits:

Assisted families are allowed to have up to \$50,000 in assets and a higher threshold for Imputing Asset Income: HOTMA raises the imputed asset threshold from \$5,000 to \$50,000 for 2024, and \$51,600 for 2025, incentivizing families to build wealth without imputing income on those assets.

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Assisted families are allowed to self-certify 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.

Asset Limits and Eligibility:

Families who have \$100,000 or more in assets or own a home are not eligible for housing assistance. 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.

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.

Earned Income Disallowance:

AAHC will not longer offer the mandatory EID program. HOTMA removed the statutory authority for the EID. 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 December 31, 2023, they are entitled to the full amount of the benefit for a full 24-month period. No family will still be receiving the EID after December 31, 2025. The EID will sunset on January 1, 2026.

Resident Advisory Board Discussion:

Harris: Inquired of the difference between the housing choice voucher program and the project voucher program. In addition, Ms. Harris asked for a detail explanation of the new HOTMA rule regarding the medical expense threshold increasing from 3% to 10%. Ms. Harris also asked to clarify the when the Earned Income Disallowance (EID) program will end. She inquired if similar work training programs will end and if AAHC will continue to exclude similar sources of income. Ms. Harris asked for clarification regarding the MTW Activity regarding tenant portion of rent calculations.

Response: the subsidy for project-based voucher assistance is attached to the unit; whereas housing choice voucher is tenant based therefore the subsidy follows the tenant. The proposed medical expense threshold increases from 3% to 10% has not been approved by HUD. If the HUD approves this change the increase will likely be phased in over time, instead of all at once. The EID program will end for all participants on December 31, 2025. Participants were allowed to enroll no later than December 31, 2023, as of January 1, 2024, no new participants can enroll in the program. HUD regulations income exclusion includes sources of income earned while participating in specific training programs. Tenant Payment as a Modified Percentage of Income (TTP) is an MTW Activity that allows AAHC to change the percentage of income used to determine the tenant portion of rent. AAHC has considered request a waiver from HUD to

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reduce the TTP from 30% to 15%. AAHC decision to change this rule needs further evaluation and consideration.

Murff-Riley: Inquired about the MTW activity to eliminate utility reimbursement payments.

Response: This MTW activity allow the AAHC to eliminate utility reimbursement payments in the HCV program when the utility allowance is greater than the total tenant payment. AAHC decision to change this rule needs further evaluation and consideration.

Grant: Inquired about the HOTMA rule to allow changes to the annual recertification from once a year to once every two years for participants.

Response: This rule has not been approved by HUD. AAHC decision to change this rule needs further evaluation and consideration.

OTHER RESIDENT INPUT: None

Section B.7 Public Meeting:

The Public Meeting scheduled for January 15, 2025

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 Harbor.

ATTENDEES: Weneshia Brand, Patricia Jenkins, Matt Weber, Dr. Lee Meadows, Thierry Batalonga, Deanna Boer, Ulli Raak, Timothy Irvine, Kameron Donald, James Jee

DISCUSSION:

Brand: provided a summary of the annual and five-year plan including a brief description of all required HCV policy changes implemented under HOTMA, an update on housing developments, and an update on current and new support service programs. In addition, she provided a summary of the proposed policy changes under HOTMA and optional MTW activities.

Jee: Asked for clarification how the utility allowance is applied to participants subsidy calculations. In addition, Jee inquired clarification regarding the termination of the EID program. Jee inquired how AAHC determines the subsidy amount for participants and if consideration will be given to increase the subsidy provided to participants. Jee, asked that AAHC improve its communication to participants in general but specifically referred to the Ann Arbor HCV as a Source of Income ordinance.

Response: Brand explained how the utility allowance is determined, how it's applied to participants subsidy calculations, and explained that eliminating utility allowance reimbursement payments is a separate activity from the utility allowance. Brand also explained that HUD has eliminated the EID program as of January 1, 2024, however participants already enrolled in the program will not be impacted. Brand explained that annual the agency evaluates it budget to determine how much subsidy it can provide with consideration to the currently assisted participants as well as the impact on applicants on the waiting list.

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Weber: Asked that the agency to focus on developing or redeveloping housing for seniors.

Response: Hall agreed to include developing or redeveloping housing for seniors in the agency annual and five-year plan.

CHALLENGED ELEMENTS TO PLAN: *None*

Imposed on the landlord, tenant, and agency

PHA Name : Ann Arbor Housing Commission

PHA Code : MI064

MTW Supplement for PHA Fiscal Year Beginning : (MM/DD/YYYY): 7/1/2025

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.

Self-Sufficiency:

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. Including partnerships to provide eviction prevention services to all the AAHC's voucher tenants. AAHC aims to continue its supportive services efforts in preventing eviction and providing housing stability.

Increasing Housing Choice:

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.

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	
a. Tiered Rent (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
b. Tiered Rent (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
c. Stepped Rent (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
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 (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
l. 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)	Currently Implementing
6. Short-Term Assistance	
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 Replacement (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
d. Alternative PBV Selection Process (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
e. Alternative PBV Unit Types (Shared Housing and Manufactured Housing) (HCV)	Not 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 Coordinating Committee (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
b. HCV Alternative Structure for Establishing Program Coordinating Committee (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
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 (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
e.PH Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
e.HCV Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income (HCV)	Not Currently 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 (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
b.HCV Policies for Addressing Increases in Family Income (HCV)	Not Currently Implemented
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 Progress (PH)	
Use of Public Housing as an Incentive for Economic Progress (PH)	Not Currently 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 Partner Agencies (PH)	Not Currently Implemented
c.HCV Aligning Tenant Rents and Utility Payments Between Partner Agencies (HCV)	Not Currently 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

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)
<p>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</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Which of the MTW statutory objectives does this MTW activity serve?</p> <p>Housing choice</p>
<p>What are the cost implications of this MTW activity? Pick the best description of the cost implications based on what you know today.</p> <p>Increased expenditures</p>
<p>Does the MTW activity under this waiver apply to all assisted households or only to a subset or subsets of assisted households?</p> <p>The MTW activity applies to all assisted households</p>
<p>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.</p> <p>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. Lastly, several HCV participants where able to remain in their current housing unit.</p>
<p>Does this MTW activity require a hardship policy?</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>This document is attached.</p>
<p>Does the hardship policy apply to more than this MTW activity?</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Please list all of the applicable MTW activities. (Only upload hardship policy once when said policy applies to multiple MTW activities.)</p> <p>2.b. - Payment Standards- Fair Market Rents (HCV)</p>
<p>Has the MTW agency modified the hardship policy since the last submission of the MTW Supplement?</p> <p>No</p>
<p>How many hardship requests have been received associated with this activity in the past year?</p> <p>No hardship were requested in the most recent fiscal year.</p>
<p>Does the MTW agency need a Safe Harbor Waiver to implement this MTW activity as described?</p>

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:

Using a grouping method, AAHC established payment standards up to 120% of the SAFMR

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; Self-sufficiency; 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 as result of implementing this activity.

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

Please explain the payment standards by FMR:

AAHC established payment standards of 120% of the FMR for the jurisdiction excluding qualified SAFMR areas.

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 goal 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 an 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 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.

Since implementing this activity the number of inquiries 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?

8

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

\$13,955

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 are 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 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.

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?

38

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

\$47,844

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 (i.e., applicants) 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.

HCV and PBV landlord may receive incentives for security deposit only.

HCV landlord may receive incentives for application fees and signing bonus.

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 and increase housing opportunities for families.

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?)

Certain types of units only

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

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

Signing bonus are limited to \$1000

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

43

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

\$14,190

5.d. - Alternative Inspection Schedule (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

AAHC will complete units inspections at least once every three years. This activity will reduce administrative burden imposed on the landlord and tenant. Implementing the activity may increase self-sufficiency amongst families and increase landlord participation. Lastly, this activity reduces the agency administrative cost.

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

Cost effectiveness; Self-sufficiency; 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.

Decreased 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.

Implement triennial HQS inspections. No changes have occurred.

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

No

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

E.	Agency-Specific Waiver(s).
E.1	<p>Agency-Specific Waiver(s) for HUD Approval:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Will the MTW agency submit a request for approval of an Agency-Specific Waiver this year?</p> <p>No</p>

E.2	<p>Agency-Specific Waiver(s) for which HUD Approval has been Received:</p> <p>Does the MTW agency have any approved Agency-Specific Waivers? No</p>

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
2024	\$422	\$0	\$422	2024-06-30

G.	MTW Statutory Requirements.	
G.1	75% Very Low Income – Local, Non-Traditional. 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

*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? Yes	

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	0/1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6+ BR	TOTAL UNITS	POPULATION TYPE*	if 'Population Type' is Other	# of Section 504 Accessible (Mobility)**	# of Section 504 Accessible (Hearing/ Vision)	Was this Property Made Available for Initial Occupancy during the Prior Full Calendar Year?	What was the Total Amount of MTW Funds Invested into the Property?
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G.4	Comparable Mix (by Family Size) – Local, Non-Traditional.
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

I.	Evaluations.
	No known evaluations.

Agency Analysis of Resident Advisory Board Meeting on January 18, 2025
Moving To Work Supplement Plan - Ann Arbor Housing Commission

On January 18, 2025, the Ann Arbor Housing Commission (AAHC) held its annual Resident Advisory Board meeting to present its draft Moving To Work Supplement Plan to the board and general public. The meeting was facilitated by AAHC Deputy Director Weneshia Brand (wrbrand@a2gov.org).

The Ann Arbor Housing Commission was pleased by the plan's reception and the attendees' willingness to contribute criticisms, questions, and suggestions. In general, attendees were supportive of AAHC's plan to use the MTW program to increase housing choice and self-sufficiency among tenants. In addition to the activities planned for the submission year, AAHC also discussed with attendees some MTW activities it may consider implementing in the future; including eliminating utility reimbursement, increase minimum rent, eliminate allowable deductions, exclude wages for household members aged 18-23, increase payment standard using SAFMR and FMR, alternative reexamination schedule, and setting total tenant payment at 15%.

Despite some concerns about the elimination of the earned income disallowance program attendees were receptive to goals the activities are intended to achieve. In general, their comments revolved around the need to policy development that will streamline process, decrease burdens participants experience during the recertification process, and policies that will encourage decrease tenant rent expenses.

AAHC continue to hold more tenant meetings to bring awareness and prepare residents about the changes and develop a plan to assist those who may experience a hardship. We continue to attend and host public meetings and events to inform participants, partners, and owners of the HCV program policies and efforts. Data shows that non-voluntary terminations have decreased since implementation of MTW landlord incentives. On average new admissions lease within 60 days of voucher issuance and landlord participation has increased slightly.

SAFMR AND FMR Payment Standard Impact Analysis Fiscal Year 2025/2026

This analysis must consider the following factors, as applicable:

<p>MTW Activity: Reasonable Rent Policy (2.a.) Payment Standard – SAFMR and (2.b.) Payment Standard FMRs</p> <p>2.a. The agency is authorized to adopt and implement any reasonable policy to establish payment standards based up Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMR) and Fair Market Rents (FMR).</p> <p>2.a.i. Payment standard must be between 80% and 150% of the SAFMR.</p> <p>2.b.i. Payment standard must be between 80% and 120% of the FMR</p>
<p>Impact on the agency’s finances (e.g., how much will the activity cost, any change in the agency’s per family contribution);</p> <p>Average per unit cost have increased following the implementation of this activity.</p>
<p>Impact on affordability of housing costs for affected families (e.g., any change in how much affected families will pay towards their housing costs);</p> <p>This activity has allowed families to maintain affordability. Their has been no change in how much families will pay towards housing cost.</p>
<p>Impact on the agency’s waitlist(s) (e.g., any change in the amount of time families are on the waitlist);</p> <p>The activity has not changed the amount of time families are on the waiting list.</p> <p>Is there any change in the amount of time families wait for assistance: No</p>
<p>Impact on the agency’s termination rate of families (e.g., any change in the rate at which families non-voluntarily lose assistance from the agency);</p> <p>This activity has not impacted the rate at which families non-voluntarily lost assistance from the agency.</p> <p>Termination rate of families: Decreased</p>
<p>Impact on the agency’s current occupancy level in public housing and utilization rate in the HCV program;</p> <p>Our utilization rate remains at or above the HUD standard.</p> <p>Has utilization rate increased since last fiscal year: Yes</p>
<p>Impact on meeting the MTW statutory goals of cost effectiveness, self-sufficiency, and/or housing choice;</p> <p>Implementation of the activity is cost effective, encourages self-sufficiency, and housing choice.</p>
<p>Impact on the agency’s ability to meet the MTW statutory requirements;</p> <p>This activity has not impacted our ability to ensure that 75% of all new admissions are very low-income. AAHC will monitor new admissions and current participants to ensure continued assistance</p>

for substantially the same total number of eligible low-income households with MTW designation as without MTW designation.

AAHC will closely monitor assisted households to assure continual assistance to a comparable mix of household by family size. Lastly, this activity has no negative impact of the agency ability to ensure all housing assisted under the MTW demonstration meets Housing Quality Standards.

At least 75% of all new admission are very low income: Yes

Assisted households are a comparable mix of household by family size: Yes

Impact on the rate of hardship requests and the number granted and denied as a result of this activity; and

This activity has not impacted the rate of hardship request and number granted and denied. AAHC received 109 request for minimum rent exemption and granted 109. AAHC has determined its payment standard at 120% of the SAFMR. Implementing this activity has reduced hardships, maintained affordability for tenant rent portions, and increased housing options for families.

of Hardship Request: 109

Denied: 0

Granted: 109

Across the other factors above, the impact on protected classes (and any associated disparate impact).

AAHC can ensure there will not be an impact on protected classes or any associated disparate impact. The agency will monitor the program to ensure that these programs do not adversely affect participation in, benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against persons on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial status, or disability or other protected bases. The agency's programs shall be operated in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity authorities, and will be accessible to persons with disabilities in accordance with the Fair Housing Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as applicable, and the Architectural Barriers Act.

ANN ARBOR HOUSING COMMISSION

MTW HARDSHIP POLICY – MULTIPLE ACTIVITIES

The PHA has a written policy for determining when a requirement or provision of a program regulation or MTW activity constitutes a financial or other hardship for the family. This hardship policy is applicable for MTW HCV households as well as non-MTW HCV households.

The policy applies to the follow MTW activities: SAFMR Payment Standard, and FMR Payment Standard. In addition, to the MTW activities the policy applies the non-MTW minimum rent waiver and repayment agreement policy, in accordance with HUD regulation.

PHA Policy

The PHA will review its hardship policy(s) with residents during its intake, and recertification processes. The resident must sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information requested by the PHA necessary to consider if a resident qualifies for a hardship exemption.

The PHA will determine if a resident qualifies for a hardship exemption under the following circumstances:

1. At the time of a potential termination of assistance that is due to an MTW activity
2. When a resident request a hardship exemption from a required MTW activity

The PHA will suspend the activity for the household, beginning the next month after the request, until the PHA has determined if the request is warranted. The PHA shall make determination of whether a financial or other hardship exists within thirty (30) days after the family's request.

Hardship Standard

The PHA will determine what constitutes a hardship. A family may request a hardship for the following circumstances. The family must experience a decrease in income because of changed circumstances, family emergency, divorce, or natural disaster:

1. Loss or reduction of employment
2. Loss of income due to death of the head, spouse, or co-head
3. Reduction in or loss of earnings or other benefit income
4. Awaiting approval for benefit income
5. Such other situations and factors as determined by the agency to be appropriate, such as eviction, termination of utilities, or wage garnishment, divorce, natural disaster, or family emergency.

Exemption Period

If it is determined a qualifying hardship does not exist, the MTW activity will resume. Any amounts owed to the PHA due to the suspension of the MTW activity will be collected through a reasonable repayment agreement.

When a family's request for a financial hardship exemption (other than alternative reexamination schedule) is granted, the PHA will remove the family from the MTW initiative for a period of 6 months.

The hardship will be reassessed on **the earlier of** the next scheduled biennial recertification or within 6 months from the date the hardship was approved.

The hardship period ends when at an interim or annual reexamination, the family's calculated MTW TTP is greater than the TTP as calculated under the hardship exemption.

For a minimum rent hardship exemption based upon hardship-related expenses, the minimum rent exemption will continue to be recognized until the cumulative amount exempted is equal to the expense incurred.

If the family disagrees with the denial of a hardship request, the family is entitled to and may request an informal hearing.

Reasons of Denial

Hardship request may be denied for the following reasons:

1. Failure to provide verification for loss or reduction of benefit income
2. Failure to provide verification for eligibility of benefit income
3. Failure to provide verification of increased expenses
4. Family is not subject to eviction, utility shut off, or wage garnishment
5. Failure to submit verification for decrease or loss of employment
6. Failure to provide supporting documentation related to loss of income due to death by head, spouse, or co-head
7. Failure to provide supporting documentation related to divorce, natural disaster, or family emergency.

Grievance Procedure

A family may request for second level review of denied hardship requests. The family must submit a request in writing within 30 days the of the PHA written notice.

Reporting

The PHA will keep of all hardship requests received and the results of these requests and supply them at HUD's request. Requests related to the PHA's MTW status will be retained for the duration of PHAs participation in the MTW demonstration program and will be available for public review and inspection at the principal office location during normal business hours.

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1. MTW Waiver: 1.h. Tenant Payment as a Modified Percentage of Income (HCV)

a. **Associated Activity:** The agency may modify the percentage of income used in the TTP calculation.

i. **Safe Harbor and Implementing regulation:** i. The Tenant Payment HCV must not exceed 32% of income for non-elderly/non-disabled families if the agency is utilizing flexibility under activities 1.s., 1.u. and/or 1.w. (for 1.h.). iii. Agency must exempt elderly and disabled families from rent policy.

1. **Proposed Activity:** AAHC proposes to modify the percentage of income used in the TTP calculation from 30% of adjusted gross income to 20% of adjusted gross income for all households including elderly and disabled families.

2. **Local Issue:** Although the AAHC has increased payment standard based to 120% of the FMR and established payment standards based on the SAFMR for designated areas, participants continue to experience the burden of high rental cost. Washtenaw residents with an average rent of \$1,384 a month, a renter would need to make at least \$26.62 per hour or \$55,360 annually to afford a two-bedroom apartment at fair market value without spending more than 30% of their income on housing. Implementing this activity will reduce the rent burden on households, incentivize household to increase wages and self-sufficiency.

3. **Impact Analysis:** This activity will positively impact all households.

4. **Hardship Policy:** Although, we anticipate few hardships exemption request, households who have a sudden loss of income or unexpected increase in qualified expenses may apply for a hardship exemption.

2. MTW Waiver: 1.s. Elimination of Deduction(s) (HCV)

a. **Associated Activity:** The agency may eliminate one, some, or all deductions.

i. **Safe Harbor and Implementation regulation:** 1.r. and 1.s., ii. Agency must exempt elderly and disabled families from rent policy.

1. **Proposed Activity:** AAHC proposes to eliminate the following deductions for all households including elderly and disabled families: \$480 for each dependent and \$400 for each elderly and disabled qualifying household member.
 2. **Local Issue:** Qualified allowances is a contributing factor in calculating adjusted annual income for participating households. Although, AAHC proposed to eliminate deduction, we will continue to allow childcare and medical and disability expenses. Dependent, elderly, and disability allowance are not as impactful in determining a household's adjusted income and more burdensome for families and administrative staff to report, verify, and track. Families would receive more benefit from reducing the TTP from 30% to 20% of adjusted income.
 3. **Impact Analysis:** AAHC does not anticipate a negative impact on households.
 4. **Hardship Policy:** Although, we anticipate few hardships exemption request, households who have a sudden loss of income or unexpected increase in qualified expenses may apply for a hardship exemption.
3. **MTW Waiver:** 1.w. Alternative Income Inclusions/Exclusions (HCV)
- a. **Associated Activity:** The agency may establish alternative policies to include or exclude certain forms of participant income during the income review and rent calculation process.
 - i. **Safe Harbor and Implementing regulation:** i. Agency must exempt elderly and disabled individuals from this rent determination policy.
 1. **Proposed Activity:** AAHC propose to exclude earned income (wages) of all household members between the ages 18-23; including those members who are or are not attend school full-time for all households including elderly and disabled families.
 2. **Local Issue:** The inclusion of income for household members between ages 18-24 has caused undue hardship for many participant families. Many households rent responsibility is solely based on wages of young adults. Several elderly and disabled households have higher rent responsibilities due to this factor as well. Unreported and underreported income often occurs due to those members who are repeatedly changing employers. Current policy impacts administrative costs: staff time for managing implementation and compliance and developing of record-keeping systems as well as policy noncompliance: the rates of noncompliance, characteristics of noncompliant residents, consequences for noncompliance, and administration of consequences for noncompliance.
 3. **Impact Analysis:** We anticipate a positive impact to participant families to effect job tenure and employment stability: the length of time people maintain employment, the number of jobs held within a specified time frame, and the number and length of unemployment spells between jobs. Self-sufficiency: whether any changes in employment and income

enable households to move off housing assistance. As well as housing stability and impact on children: whether work engagement among household adults has any longer-term effects on housing stability or any spillover effects on children.

4. **Hardship Policy:** Although, we anticipate few hardships exemption request, households who have a sudden loss of income or unexpected increase in qualified expenses may apply for a hardship exemption.