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

**Applicability.** The Form HUD-50075-HCV is to be completed annuallyby **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***- APHA 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 PHAthat 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.

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| **A.** | **PHA Information.** | | | | |
| **A.1** | **PHA Name**: Orange County Housing Authority **PHA Code**: CA094  **PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning**: (MM/YYYY): 07/2024  **PHA Inventory** (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above)  **Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs)** 11,576  **PHA Plan Submission Type:**  Annual Submission Revised Annual Submission  **Availability of Information.** In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information of the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official website.  All information pertaining to the Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan is located online at:  [www.ochousing.org/doc](http://www.ochousing.org/doc)  Office location:  Orange County Housing Authority  1501 E. St. Andrew Place  Santa Ana, CA 92705  **PHA Consortia**: (Check box if submitting a joint 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** |
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| **B.** | **Plan Elements.** | | | | |
| **B.1** | **Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.**  a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?  Y N  Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs.  Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions.  Financial Resources.  Rent Determination.  Operation and Management.  Informal Review and Hearing Procedures.  Homeownership Programs.  Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements.  Substantial Deviation.  Significant Amendment/Modification.  (b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s):  **Financial Resources**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Annual Contributions by Program** | | | Housing Choice Voucher Program | **$179,470,439** | | Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinators | **$429,864** | | Mainstream Voucher Program | **$2,952,698** | | Emergency Housing Voucher Program | **$4,606,719** | | **TOTAL** | **$187,459,720** | | | | | |
| **B.2** | **New Activities*.***– Not Applicable  This portion is not applicable for an HCV only PHA. OCHA is an HCV only PHA. | | | | |
| **B.3** | **Progress Report.**  Provide a description of the PHA’s progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan.  **Goal 1. Open the Housing Choice Voucher Program Waiting List**   * OCHA opened the Housing Choice Voucher Program waiting list for two weeks in September 2023. * OCHA received over 57,000 applications during that two-week period. * To establish a waiting list that could be exhausted in three to four years, OCHA randomly selected 12,000 applicants from the 57,000 applications received.   **Goal 2. Enhance accessibility for disabled and limited English proficient persons**   * OCHA has a contract with Language Line Services that provides interpretation and translation services in 163 different languages. * OCHA continues to prioritize the hiring of bilingual staff who are competent in reading, writing, and speaking Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese to remove a barrier to information for limited English proficient persons. * During this FY 2023/2024 we hired 14 bilingual staff. * American Sign Language interpreters and the California Relay Service are used to communicate with those   who are hard of hearing.  **Goal 3. Expand efforts to affirmatively further fair housing**   * OCHA routinely holds collaborative meetings with partners for our Special Purpose Voucher programs   where we educate partner agencies on the Reasonable Accommodation options available that can provide  actual choice for persons with disabilities.   * OCHA offers security deposit assistance for participants in Special Purpose Voucher homeless programs who   do not have access to other funding opportunities.   * OCHA conducts landlord engagement activities in order to provide education and outreach to area landlords   on the Housing Choice Voucher Program.   * OCHA administers a landlord incentive program offering up to $1,000 signing bonus for landlords, double   security deposits and refrigerator assistance for tenants. The program is intended to complement existing  community landlord incentive programs and support voucher holders with limited access to support service  dollars.   * Extended search times are provided to allow program participants the time necessary to obtain sufficient   information regarding their housing options in order to make an informed housing choice.   * OCHA is continuing to evaluate its expansion of efforts. Meanwhile, OCHA continues to comply with 24   Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 5.150  **Goal 4. Identify and utilize technology to enhance operational effectiveness and efficiency in delivery of housing**  **assistance services**   * All new Housing Choice Voucher Program files continue to be digital. * All newly created historical records continue to be imaged to prevent creation of physical files. * The Assistance Connect portal continues to be available for applicant and landlord use to communicate with   staff and transmit documents as needed.   * DocuSign seats and Adobe Pro licenses continue to be utilized to eliminate need for original signatures in   certain instances.   * Remote Virtual Inspections use was expanded to include Biennial Inspections as well as new move-ins. * OCHA continues to utilize virtual briefings and electronic reexaminations. * Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) briefings use the virtual briefing format which allows a broader attendance   level and a more interactive experience.   * Support for completion of electronic reexaminations and initial applications using smartphones provided to   encourage the use of technology.  The public has the option of using the technologies provided but are not required to do so. Appointments for  individual service are always available.  **Goal 5. Expand the supply of affordable housing by applying for additional housing assistance funding and**  **programs that may become available.**   * In response to Notice PIH 2023-04 Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Initiative, OCHA applied for and was awarded 25 FYI Housing Choice vouchers. * In response to 2023 Mid-Year Registration of Interest for HUD-VASH Vouchers, OCHA applied for and was awarded 10 HUD-VASH vouchers. The additional 10 vouchers will increase the total number of HUD-VASH vouchers to 1039.   Project Based Voucher (PBV) update:  OCHA entered into a HAP agreement and leased six (6) projects during FY 22/23. Those projects include: Ascent, which offered 57 PBV units dedicated to Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) applicants in the City of Buena Park; The Salvation Army Center of Hope, which offered 16 MHSA units in the City of Anaheim; Iluma, which offered 71 units for those experiencing homelessness in the City of Stanton; Clara Vista, which offered 59 units for Veterans and those experiencing homelessness in the City of Stanton; Mountain View, which offered 8 MHSA units in the City of Lake Forest; and, Mesa Vista, which offered 40 units for MHSA and Veteran applicants in the City of Costa Mesa.  OCHA entered into an Agreement to enter HAP (AHAP) contracts for five (5) projects during FY22/23. Those projects include: Cartwright Family Apartments in the City of Irvine; Orchard View, in the City of Buena Park; Paseo Adelanto in the City of San Juan Capistrano; Villa St. Joseph in the City of Orange; and Aurora Vista in the City of Stanton.  In addition to the above projects there are nine (9) projects in progress from the previous reporting period which will continue into the next reporting period. In response to Notices of Funding Availability, additional projects are under review. OCHA will continue to explore the use of project-based vouchers as opportunities become available and upon notification of HUD to meet the local need for affordable housing.  Consistent with the PHA Plan and the Administrative Plan, OCHA’s project-based activities promote deconcentration, expand housing choice and address the need for long-term, affordable housing. Further, the activities contribute to the achievement of the goals OCHA set forth in Section B.2 of the Five-Year PHA Plan.  OCHA intends to project base up to 50% of turnover vouchers up to the 20% CAP allowable by HUD, dependent upon funding availability. OCHA updated our Administrative Plan to reflect this intention and our Board of Commissioners approved this update on January 23, 2024.  **Goal 6. Promote Family Self-Sufficiency**   * OCHA applied for renewal of its Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Coordinator funding and was awarded $429,864. * OCHA graduated 3 households from the FSS Program and disbursed approximately $64,895.96 to said households. * OCHA routinely conducts recruitment to all Housing Choice Voucher holders and performs targeted recruitment for households participating in the Family Unification, Veteran’s Affairs Supportive Housing, and Emergency Housing Voucher programs. In 2023, OCHA invited 2,123 households to attend the FSS briefing using the virtual FSS briefing platform. | | | | |
| **B.4** | **Capital Improvements.** – Not Applicable | | | | |
| **B.5** | **Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.**   1. Were there any findings in the most recent FY Audit?   Y N N/A     1. If yes, please describe: | | | | |
| **C.** | **Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.** | | | | |
| **C.1** | **Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.**   1. Did the RAB(s) have comments to the PHA Plan?   Y N     1. If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations. | | | | |
| **C.2** | **Certification by State or Local Officials.**  [Form HUD 50077-SL](http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/hudclips/forms/files/50077sl.doc), *Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan*, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. | | | | |
| **C.3** | **Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan.**  Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, *PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations*  *Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed,* must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. | | | | |
| **C.4** | **Challenged Elements.** If any element of the PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA’s response to the public.   1. Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan?   Y N    If yes, include Challenged Elements. | | | | |

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| **D.** | **Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).** |
| **D.1** | **Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).**  **Provide a statement of the PHA’s strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals as necessary to overcome fair 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: N/A for HCV PHA’s only per instructions below | | *Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal* | |  |

**Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-HCV**

**Annual PHA Plan for HCV-Only PHAs**

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**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=cc31cf1c3a2b84ba4ead75d35d258f67&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.10&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.10.2.5.7))

**B. Plan Elements.** All PHAs must complete this section. ([24 CFR §903.11(c)(3)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=c84b8750d7c9fcd46c0c7546aeb860cf&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.8))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5)(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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5)).

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b44bf19bef93dd31287608d2c687e271&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5)(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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5)(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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=c84b8750d7c9fcd46c0c7546aeb860cf&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.7), [24 CFR §903.7(r)(1)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=663ef5e048922c731853f513acbdfa81&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.5))

**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)](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=13734845220744370804c20da2294a03&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.9), [24 CFR §903.19](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=f41eb312b1425d2a95a2478fde61e11f&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.12))

**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](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=929855241bbc0873ac4be47579a4d2bf&rgn=div5&view=text&node=24:4.0.3.1.3&idno=24#24:4.0.3.1.3.2.5.10)). 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.

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