

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ON BEHALF OF THE
Placer County Housing Authority**

TO: Placer County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health and Human Services
Cheryl S. Davis, Human Services and Housing Authority Director

DATE: March 22, 2011

SUBJECT: Federally Funded Housing Assistance for Very Low Income, Disabled, or Elderly Placer County Residents

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the following two items to secure \$1,839,518 in federal funding for the Placer County Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program to provide subsidized housing for over 250 families:

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing to receive public comment regarding the Placer County Housing Authority Annual Plan for FY 2011-12 and the Placer County Housing Authority Administrative Plan.
- b. Adopt the attached Resolution adopting the Placer County Housing Authority Administrative Plan and authorizing submission of Placer County Housing Authority's Annual Plan for FY 2011-12 and certification of program compliance to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BACKGROUND:

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is a federal program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. Since housing assistance is provided on behalf of the family or individual, participants are able to find and choose their own housing, including single family homes, townhouses, and apartments provided the housing meets the requirement of the program. The Housing Choice Voucher Program is not limited to units located in subsidized housing projects, but includes private property owners in Placer County.

Housing Choice Vouchers are administered locally through funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Pursuant to the 1998 Federal Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, all housing authorities must submit an annual plan to HUD. This is Placer County's Annual Agency Plan to HUD.

The changes to the Plan include 1) recognition that the Placer County Housing Authority has been determined a "High Performing" Housing Authority by HUD; 2) award of 25 vouchers to assist Placer County veterans with affordable housing; and 3) minor improvements for consistency throughout the administrative plan. The Agency Plan is in a template format, as required by HUD, and is submitted electronically.

The draft Annual Public Housing Agency Plan was noticed in local newspapers and made available for review at the Placer County Libraries in Auburn, Rocklin, and Kings Beach, at the Human Services office in Auburn and on the Placer County Human Services website, for a 45 day public comment period prior to the public hearing. No written comments have been received to date. Any comments from the hearing before your Board will be included in the final plan document, which will then be submitted to HUD. The draft Agency Plan is on file with the Clerk of the Board.

Compliance with the Public Housing Agency Plan requirement is necessary to continue to receive federal funding for the Placer County Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, approximately \$1,839,518 for FY 2011-12, of which approximately \$180,000 is associated with the vouchers for veterans.

FISCAL IMPACT:

County receipt of the \$1,839,518 does not require any County General Fund commitment.

Copies of the PHA Annual Plan and Administrative Plan are on file with Clerk of the Board for review.

**Before the Board of Supervisors
Placer County Housing Authority
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of:

The Placer County Housing Authority's (PHA) Annual Agency Plan for Fiscal Year 2011/2012, and certification of compliance with the PHA plans and related regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Resolution No: _____

Ord. No: _____

First Reading: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Placer County Housing Authority of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____ by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 1998 Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act (QHWRA), all housing authorities must submit an Agency Plan to HUD which includes both a Five Year and an Annual Plan, and subsequent annual plan updates, and

WHEREAS, the Placer County Housing Authority, as a part of administering the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, intends to comply with any and all requirements to continue receiving annual HUD funding for housing vouchers to assist the very low and low-income families in need of affordable housing in Placer County, and

WHEREAS, the Placer County Housing Authority has complied with all requirements of the Plan development and held a public hearing to receive comment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Placer County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman to sign the attached PHA Certification of Compliance with PHA Plans and Related Regulations, and authorizes the submission of the final Plan document to HUD.



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NOTICE OF DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY & PUBLIC HEARING

The Placer County Housing Authority's Annual Plan and updated Administrative Plan are available for public review and comment.

The Plans are available for review at the Placer County Housing Authority Office during the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, located at 11552 B Avenue, Auburn, CA 95603. The Plans are also available at the following locations of the Placer County Library: 350 Nevada Street, Auburn, CA; 5460 Fifth St., Rocklin; and 301 Secline, Kings Beach, CA, and can be viewed online at www.placer.ca.gov.

The comment period for the Draft Plan will end March 21, 2011 and comments should be addressed: Attention: Nancy Dempsey, Placer County Housing Authority, 11552 B Avenue, Auburn, CA 95603 or submitted via email to ndempsey@placer.ca.gov. All written comments received after March 21, 2011, will not be considered.

If you challenge the decision in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues which you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Placer County Housing Authority prior to the public hearing.

The Public Hearing will be held at 9:20 a.m. on the 22nd of March, 2011 at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 175 Fulweiler, Auburn, CA. All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard.

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