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Public Comment Requested

On Proposed Changes to the

Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP)

and the

Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan



CHA is in the process of updating our public housing and Section 8 policies. Many of these policy changes are required by HUD in order for CHA to be in compliance with federal housing regulations. Some changes are being proposed to improve the health and safety of our residents and the overall operations of the housing authority. The following is a brief outline of the major policy changes being proposed:

Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP)	Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Housing Lease Changes • Full Security Deposit Required for Admission • Lease Addendum for Crime-Free Housing • Use of the Income Discrepancy Report for verifying income • Use of HUD's new Enterprise Income Verification System • Rent calculation due to loss of income • Implementing domestic violence protections provided by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) • Conducting criminal records checks of current public housing residents • Confidentiality protections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating a working preference for admission • Absent family members • Prostitution included as reason for denial of admission • Lease Addendum for Crime-Free Housing • Use of the Income Discrepancy Report for verifying income • Use of HUD's new Enterprise Income Verification System • Sporadic and lump-sum income • HQS Inspections • Implementing domestic violence protections provided by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) • Moving and portability • Confidentiality protections

Copies of these proposed policy changes are available for review and comment at 201 Switzler Street as well as at every Public Housing Manager's office. CHA staff will also review these proposed policy changes at the January meetings of the Downtown, Paquin, and Oak Towers Resident Associations.

The CHA Board of Commissioners will also accept public comment on these proposed changes at their meeting on Monday, February 22, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at 201 Switzler Street. Written comment may be submitted to the CHA Administration Building or to your Public Housing Manager.

Please Note Change In Meeting Date!