



Richmond FO COVID-19 Update

March 25, 2020



Thank you

- We appreciate all you are doing to keeping your Staff and Residents safe
- Important for PHAs to continue to remain operational if possible
- Ensure Mission Critical Functions occur
- Important that PHAs work with their State and local Health Departments on COVID-19 response
- HUD's main Resource Website: www.HUD.gov/coronavirus



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Field Contact

- Effective March 20, all HUD employees are required to telework
- Please continue to stay in contact with assigned field representatives
 - Email
 - Phone
- Best way to contact Field Office is by email – currently limited ability to access US Mail.
- In person events and trainings have been cancelled through April



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Updating Field Office

- COVID-19 Cases - Staff, Public Housing Residents, or HCV Participants
 - Please do not send PII, do not include names
- Please keep us updated on **Change in HA Operational Status**
 - **Open** housing authority that is conducting routine business, whether personnel are in the office or working remotely
 - **Closed** housing authority that has temporarily suspended routine operations
- Change in Hours
 - Normal, Reduced, Limited
- Limiting Public Access –
 - Normal, Reduced, Limited – only contact by phone and email
- Changes in HA Tenant Services (inspection maintenance)
 - Normal, Reduced, Emergency



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Field Contact

- PHA COVID 19 Policy
 - If you have a policy please share with the Field Office.
 - No form planning requirement
 - Recommended
 - See FAQ for suggested Topics to consider.



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Funding

- PIH is committed to ensuring PHAs have funds to continue to operate
 - Capital Funds will be distributed by mid-April
 - Operating Fund and HCV: May payments will be distributed by the end of March
- TBD: Additional funding in COVID-19 Stimulus Bill

HUD PIH FAQs

- PIH has a dedicated email box for COVID-19 questions:
 - PIH-COVID@hud.gov
- HUD Published 3/13 FAQs
- HUD PHA Conference Call 3/20
 - HUD is working to get recording of conference call that will be posted to YouTube.
- Plans for additional FAQs to be issued



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Waiver Submissions

- HUD is pursuing special COVID-19 waiver authority from Congress
- This authority would enable HUD to grant certain waivers to all PHAs by Notice
- More effective than Individual PHAs waiver request.
- Mailbox: [PIH Disaster Relief@hud.gov](mailto:PIH_Disaster_Relief@hud.gov)



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Capital Fund OED Extension

2018 CFP grant Obligation End Date is 5/28/2020

- Current process is:
- Email copy of the extension request should be sent to PIH_OCI@hud.gov
- The subject line should read as follows:
 - Request for the Extension of the Obligation End Date for (PHA code), for Capital Fund grant (Grant #)
- Submit Request prior to the obligation end date
- In most cases, the obligation extension justification related to COVID-19 would be pursuant to 24 CFR 905.306(d)(5), "An event beyond the control of the PHA."
- Submit requests for an extension of the obligation deadline to the following address:

David Fleischman
Director
Office of Capital Improvements
451 7th Street SW
Room 4130
Washington, DC 20410



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Questions and Answers?