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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Announces 2020 Renewal Funding Allocations

In a [letter to executive directors](#) issued today, HUD’s Financial Management Division ([FMD](#)) announced the allocation of calendar year (CY) 2020 housing assistance payment (HAP) renewal funds for the Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program. Directors also received a spreadsheet document showing renewal funding for the individual PHA. The preliminary HAP renewal proration factor is **99.4 percent**.

While the letter states that an accompanying PIH notice is forthcoming, the notice has yet to be posted to [HUDClips](#). If a PHA has questions related to the calculations, the PHA should contact its financial analyst at the Financial Management Center ([FMC](#)).

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Awards \$40 Million to Fight Housing Discrimination

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it has awarded \$40 million to fair housing organizations across the nation working to confront violations of the [Fair Housing Act](#) and help end housing discrimination.

The awards, provided under the Department’s Fair Housing Initiatives Program ([FHIP](#)) and Fair Housing Assistance Program ([FHAP](#)), will help people who believe they have been victims of housing discrimination and educate the public and housing providers on the nation’s fair housing laws. The FHIP grants issued yesterday are provided under HUD’s Education and Outreach (EOI), Fair Housing Organization (FHOI), and Private Enforcement Initiative (PEI) grant categories.

More than \$1 million of the funding is being awarded to grantees located in Opportunity Zones. A list of awards by state is included in the press release. To view a complete summary of the grants, click [here](#).

HUD Posts New Guidance on Covid-19

Today on [HUD Exchange](#), [HUD posted](#) the following Federal Emergency Management Agency ([FEMA](#)) and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ([HHS](#)) guidance on Covid-19:

- [FEMA Public Assistance - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Pandemic: Eligible Emergency Protective Measures](#)
- [TANF-ACF-PI-2020-01 \(Questions and answers about TANF and the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) pandemic\)](#)

According to the announcement, the recent emergence of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) calls for enhanced cooperation between public health authorities, homeless service systems, and other partners at the local level. To support these partnerships and the vulnerable households served, relevant federal agencies are issuing guidance from subject matter experts on lessons learned from previous response efforts to infectious diseases. Click [here](#) for the latest updates.



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