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PH PROGRAM NEWS

PIH Posts Detailed Calculation Reports for January and Two Weeks of February

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) has posted detailed calculation reports for operating subsidy obligations for January and two weeks of February. The calculations are presented in the same format as obligation letters—the calculations are organized with all PHAs in the same state combined in a single file, which you can access through a map on this web page. The explanations of obligations were posted in December.

You'll find links to the calculations and the explanations of obligations on the <u>2020 subsidy processing page</u> at the operating fund website.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Settles Disability Discrimination Claims against California Housing Providers

In a press release yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it has reached a voluntary compliance agreement (VCA) with the management company and the owner of a HUDsubsidized apartment complex in California. The VCA settles allegations that the housing providers violated the Fair Housing Act by refusing to provide a designated parking space to a tenant with disabilities.

The Fair Housing Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act prohibit housing providers from denying or limiting housing to persons with disabilities and from refusing to make reasonable accommodations in policies or practices, such as the granting of reserved parking spaces to persons with mobility disabilities.

The case came to HUD's attention when a woman with physical disabilities filed a complaint alleging that the management company denied her request for a designated parking space. As a result, the woman alleged she was forced to pass through a steep incline each time she exited her building's parking garage after parking in one of the regular spaces. The owner and manager deny discriminating against the tenant but agreed to settle her complaint.

Under the terms of the agreement, the housing providers agree to pay the resident \$12,500 and ensure that property managers at the resident's apartment complex attend fair housing training.



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