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PH PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Awards \$5 Million to PHAs to Install Carbon Monoxide Detectors

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it has awarded \$5 million for the purchase and installation of carbon monoxide (CO) detectors in public housing units where they are necessary. The funding represents the first time HUD is providing grants, specifically for the purchase and installation of carbon monoxide detectors, under the [Capital Fund Emergency Safety and Security Grant](#) program.

As you recall, on April 18, 2019, HUD published Notice [PIH 2019-06/H 2019-05/OLHCHH 2019-01](#) on the use of CO detectors in HUD-assisted housing. The purpose of the notice was to remind owners, managers, and agents of certain HUD-assisted housing to have CO detectors as required by state or local law, code, or other regulation. In those states and local communities where CO detectors are not required, the Department strongly encouraged PHAs and owners to install them. HUD has been working with Congress on legislation that will require CO detectors in HUD-assisted housing units that need them.

You can see a complete list of the grantees and the amounts they were awarded at the bottom of the [press release](#). To read individual project descriptions, click [here](#).

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Launches Online Guidance Portal

Today in the *Federal Register*, HUD’s Office of General Counsel ([OGC](#)) published a [notice](#) announcing that it has launched a [HUD guidance portal](#). The new website complies with a presidential executive order that requires agencies to provide a single online guidance portal for the public to access all effective guidance.

The notice advises the public that HUD has comprehensively reviewed its guidance documents, identified those that remain in effect, and made them available in a single searchable website. According to the notice, HUD will continue to work to refine this site in order to archive documents that are no longer in effect. Click [here](#) to access the guidance portal.



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