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The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") has recently been reauthorized and amended. VAWA is a federal law that protects individuals who are survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity. VAWA includes protections for survivors who are applying for or residing in covered housing programs. On March 15, 2022, President Biden signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022, which included the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2022 ("VAWA 2022"). VAWA 2022 reauthorizes, amends, and strengthens VAWA. Many of VAWA's amendments took effect on October 1, 2022.

The attached letter summarizes the key changes to the law that are relevant to covered housing providers, including HOPWA grantees and project sponsors.



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