

## Office of Multifamily Housing Programs

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Multifamily Stakeholders,

We're pleased to <u>announce</u> the availability of HUD's Office of Multifamily Housing Programs new energy and water benchmarking service available without cost to owners of properties participating in our eligible Multifamily project-based rental assistance programs. Funded under the Biden-Harris Administration's landmark Inflation Reduction Act, this new service is designed to help owners understand their energy and water usage and identify where they can make upgrades for the greatest cost savings.

By participating in this initiative, property owners will receive personalized support in assessing the efficiency of their buildings for up to four years. HUD's contractor, <u>Leidos</u>, will support property owners and management by contacting utilities on their behalf to access the necessary energy and water use data and providing recommendations for cost and energy savings.

## Why you should participate in the Energy and Water Benchmarking Initiative

The HUD Energy and Water Benchmarking Initiative may provide a variety of benefits to multifamily property owners, including:

- Receiving an annual property analysis report with usage trends and identifying opportunities for energy and water savings in your building(s)
- Establishing eligibility or preparing you to make use of federal, state, and utility energy efficiency programs, such as HUD's Multifamily <u>Green and Resilient Retrofit</u> <u>Program</u> and EPA's <u>Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund</u>.
- Supporting early compliance with local ordinances as more <u>localities</u> across the country take interest in energy usage data of multifamily properties.

Contact us at <a href="MFBenchmarking@HUD.gov">MFBenchmarking@HUD.gov</a> to opt-in to the program or get answers to your benchmarking questions. And look out for follow up emails from Leidos <a href="HUDMFBenchmarking@leidos.com">HUDMFBenchmarking@leidos.com</a> to ensure your property is successfully benchmarked.