2024 Family Unification Program (FUP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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1. <u>Question:</u> Can a PHA that currently has FUP vouchers apply for additional vouchers? Our PHA is currently not fully utilizing our FUP vouchers but anticipates doing so since we have strengthened our partnerships and stabilized our staffing.

Answer: Yes, a PHA that currently has FUP vouchers may apply for additional vouchers under the NOFO. Regarding utilization, page 20 of the NOFO states that a PHA that currently administers FUP must have a utilization rate of 90 percent or greater in order to apply for additional vouchers. However, absent such a utilization rate, the PHA may still apply for additional vouchers under the NOFO if the PHA adopts an action plan to achieve full utilization within 12 months from the date of application to the NOFO. The PHA does not need to submit the action plan to HUD as part of its application.

2. Question: Our PHA does not have a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program. Can our PHA apply for FUP vouchers under the NOFO?

<u>Answer:</u> No. The NOFO requires that a PHA have an existing Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) with HUD for the HCV program in order to apply for FUP vouchers.

3. Question: Is the NOFO only for additional FUP vouchers or is it required for existing FUP vouchers?

<u>Answer:</u> The NOFO is only for PHAs that wish to apply for additional FUP vouchers. It does not affect existing FUP vouchers.

4. Question: How do I get a copy of the NOFO?

<u>Answer:</u> The NOFO is available on Grants.gov: <u>Search Results Detail | Grants.gov.</u> From this webpage, click on "Related Documents" to access the NOFO and the application package. The NOFO is also available on HUD's Funding Opportunities page: <u>FY 2024</u> Family Unification Program Notice of Funding Opportunity | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

5. Question: Our PCWA does not contract out the administration of child welfare services but does contract out some of the services listed in the MOU. Should our MOU include the names of the organizations that our PCWA has contracted with to provide these services?

<u>Answer:</u> Yes. Section III.F.5 of the NOFO requires that the MOU include the services to be offered to FUP youth and that the MOU list the agency(ies)/organization(s) that will provide the services.