

## OFFICE OF PUBLIC & INDIAN HOUSING

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Dear Executive Director,

I'm excited to announce that PIH published Notice 2023-20 this week seeking applications for the final fourteen spots in the Moving to Work (MTW) Demonstration Program for PHAs with 1,000 or fewer combined units of Public Housing and HCV units. The final cohort will test the overall effects of MTW flexibility on a PHA and the residents it serves, with a particular focus on administrative efficiencies. Examples of strategies to increase efficiency may include alternative household reexamination schedules, changes to utility allowances, self-certification of household assets, and developing a new selection process for Project- Based Vouchers.

MTW allows PHAs to design and test these and other innovative, locally designed housing and self-sufficiency strategies for low-income families by permitting PHAs to use HCV and Public Housing funds more flexibly and allowing certain exemptions from Public Housing and HCV program rules. These flexibilities will benefit smaller PHAs greatly by saving time and providing simplicity, which will create opportunities for innovation that improve the lives of the residents we serve.

MTW has been at the forefront of affordable housing innovations which have later been implemented into the public housing and HCV programs of non-MTW PHAs. Innovations such as landlord incentive programs and mobility programs have allowed MTW PHAs to realize administrative efficiencies and better tailor services to serve some of our nation's most vulnerable households.

The power of MTW to drive policy change relies on the participation of housing authorities with strong leadership and resident-centered vision - and that is exactly who we are seeking with this last notice. If you believe your PHA embodies these traits, I invite you to apply for one of these final opportunities to join the MTW Demonstration. You have until December 8, 2023, to apply. If you have questions regarding MTW or the application process, please email <a href="MTWFlexibilityII@hud.gov">MTWFlexibilityII@hud.gov</a>.

I appreciate your commitment to serving low-income families through HUD programs

Many thanks,

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