

Housing Mobility-related Services NOFO | FR-6700-N-87

Background and Instructions for PHA Concentration of Voucher Holders in High-Poverty Neighborhoods

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Please note this document may be updated as we work to ensure the instructions are as clear as possible for PHAs.

Background

In section V.A.1 “Rating Factors” HUD describes the rating factor for Rating Factor 2: PHA Concentration of Voucher Holders in High-Poverty Neighborhoods.

“Rating factor 2 elements are calculated by HUD and PHAs do not submit any additional documentation related to this factor. PHAs can see what their concentration score is by reviewing the documentation on https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv/housingmobility. In order to ensure the housing mobility-related services funds are being used in accordance with the statute, HUD must prioritize PHAs that have a concentration of voucher holders with children living in high-poverty neighborhoods. HUD ranked all PHAs that serve over 100 families with children in two separate voucher holder concentration categories. The categories are:

- (1) Number of voucher holders with children in the PHA's jurisdiction living in census tracts that have greater than 30 percent poverty or are qualified census tracts (QCTs) as defined under the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program, and
- (2) percentage of voucher holders with children living in census tracts that have greater than 30 percent poverty or are QCTs in the PHA's jurisdiction, as defined under the LIHTC program.

Within these two categories, HUD then ranked PHAs from one to five based on the degree of concentration with five being the highest concentration. HUD will use the highest ranking earned by the PHA in either category.

- For a single PHA applicant, a rank of five earns 15 points; a rank of four earns 10 points; and a rank of three earns 5 points. All others get zero points.
- For joint PHA applicants, if one or more PHA has a rank of five, the application gets 15 points. If no PHA has a rank of five, but one or more has a rank of four, the application gets 10 points. If no PHA has a rank of four or five, but one or more PHA has a rank of three, the application gets 5 points. All others get zero points.

This document provides information on how to read the PHA Concentration of Voucher Holders in High-Poverty Neighborhoods spreadsheet.

Instructions

The spreadsheet (published in PDF) includes X columns:

- PHA Code
- PHA Name
- Number of HCV households with children
- Number of HCV households with children living in high-poverty neighborhoods (census tracts that have greater than 30 percent poverty or are qualified census tracts (QCTs) as defined under the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program)
- Percentage of HCV households with children living in high-poverty neighborhoods (census tracts that have greater than 30 percent poverty or are QCTs in the PHA's jurisdiction, as defined under the LIHTC program)
- PHA ranking of one to five on degree of concentration, with five being the highest concentration for number of HCV households in high-poverty neighborhoods
- PHA ranking of one to five on degree of concentration, with five being the highest concentration for percentage of HCV households in high-poverty neighborhoods

To find the PHA's ranking, look at the far left two columns.

PHA Concentration of Voucher Holders in High Poverty Neighborhoods							
PHA Code	PHA Name	Number of HCV Households	Number of HCV households with children	Number of HCV households with children in high-poverty neighborhoods	Percent of HCV households with children in high-poverty neighborhoods	Quintile score based on count of HCV households with children in high-poverty neighborhoods	Quintile score based on percentage of HCV Households with children in high-poverty neighborhoods
AK901	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation	4,464	1,132	220	19.43	4	2
AL001	Housing Authority of the Birmingham District	5,561	3,301	2,067	62.62	5	5
AL002	MOBILE HOUSING AUTHORITY	3,828	2,261	1,226	54.22	5	4
AL004	ANNISTON HA	378	208	98	47.12	3	4
AL005	PHENIX CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY	694	440	259	58.86	4	4
AL006	Housing Authority of the City of Montgomery	3,156	2,055	1,120	54.5	5	4
AL007	Housing Authority of the City of Dothan	1,212	745	539	72.35	5	5
AL008	Selma Housing Authority	646	343	269	78.43	4	5
AL047	The Housing Authority of the City of Huntsville	1,775	913	469	51.37	5	4
AL048	Housing Authority of the City of Decatur	651	330	173	52.42	3	4