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Housing Task Force 2016 Report

HUD Section 811 Project-Based Rental Assistance (PRA) Demonstration Program

Funding for the HUD Section 811 PRA program continued to be a major priority for the Housing Task Force in 2015. Unfortunately, the President's FY 2017 budget did NOT request funding for new Section 811 PRA units. Instead, the Obama Administration requested only \$154 million – the amount needed to renew the existing 30,000+ project-based rental assistance contracts (PRACs) associated with the program. Both the House and Senate draft FY 2017 Transportation-HUD Appropriations bills funded Section 811 at the President's request. More information on the Section 811 PRA program is available at: <http://811resourcecenter.tacinc.org>.

Smoking Ban Comments

On January 19, the Housing Task Force (joined by the Rights Task Force submitted comments to the HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) regarding the proposed rule published on November 17, 2015, "Instituting Smoke-Free Public Housing." These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Smoking-Ban-Comments-01-19-16-FINAL.pdf> The rule was finalized in December 2016.

Comments on ANPR - Over-income Public Housing Tenancy

On March 4, the Task Force submitted comments to HUD on a proposed rule for "Strengthening Oversight of Over Income Tenancy in Public Housing; Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking." These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/Comments-on-ANPR-Over-income-Public-Housing-Tenancy03-04-16.pdf>

Comments on FHFA Duty to Serve Underserved Markets

On March 17, the Task Force submitted comments to the Federal Housing Finance Administration (FHFA) on the proposed rule for "Enterprise Duty To Serve Underserved Markets." FHFA published a final rule in December 2016. These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-NPRM-FHFA-Duty-to-Serve-Underserved-Markets03-16-16.pdf>

Comments on AFFH Assessment Tools

Throughout 2016, the Housing Task Force – in collaboration with the Rights Task Force – worked on comments on various Assessment Tools designed to help state and local jurisdictions, as well as public housing agencies, meet their obligations to ensure that federal housing and community development funds "affirmatively further" the goals of fair housing. These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-AFFH-State-Tool-05-10-16-FINAL.pdf>

<http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-comments-on-AFFH-PHA-Tool-FINAL-05-23-16.pdf>
<http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-AFFH-Local-Govt-Tool-FINAL-05-23-16.pdf>
<http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-AFFH-Local-Govt-Tool-092216-FINAL.pdf>

Comments on SAFMR Proposed Rule

On August 16, the Task Force submitted comments to HUD on the proposed rule for “Establishing a More Effective Fair Market Rent System; Using Small Area Fair Market Rents in Housing Choice Voucher Program Instead of the Current 50th Percentile.” These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Housing-Task-Force-SAFMR-Comments-08-15-16.pdf>

Census 2020 Residence Comments

On September 1, the Housing Task Force – in collaboration with the Rights Task Force – submitted comments to the Census Bureau on the agency’s Notice of Proposed Rule Making, “2020 Census Residence Rule and Residence Situations.” These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Housing-TF-Census-2020-Residence-Comments-FINAL-09-01-16.pdf>

PHA Administrative Fee Proposed Rule Comments

On October 4, the Task Force submitted comments to the HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing on the proposed “Housing Choice Voucher Program – New Administrative Fee Formula; Proposed Rule.” These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-PHA-Admin-Fee-10-04-16.pdf>

Comments on HOTMA Implementation

On October 14 and December 14, the Task Force submitted separate sets of comments to HUD regarding implementation of certain provisions of the Housing Opportunities Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA, P.L. 114-201). These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Housing-TF-HOTMA-Sec-106-Letter-10-14-16.pdf>
<http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-HOTMA-Sec-102-and-104-Letter-12-14-16.pdf>

Comments on Energy Benchmarking

On December 5, the Task Force submitted comments to HUD on the “60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Energy Benchmarking.” These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-Energy-Benchmarking.pdf>

Comments on RAD Civil Rights Notice

On December 14, the Task Force submitted comments to HUD on the “Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Notice Regarding Fair Housing and Civil Rights Requirements and Relocation Requirements Applicable to RAD First Component—Public Housing Conversions.” These comments can be viewed at: <http://www.c-c-d.org/fichiers/CCD-Comments-on-RAD-Civil-Rights-Notice-12-14-16.pdf>

Anticipated 2017 Priorities

- FY 2018 HUD appropriations for Section 811
- Fair housing enforcement and policies to affirmatively further fair housing
- National Housing Trust Fund

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