

1. Statement of Housing Needs

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A. Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction/s Served by the PHA

Based upon the information contained in the Consolidated Plan/s applicable to the jurisdiction, and/or other data available to the PHA, provide a statement of the housing needs in the jurisdiction by completing the following table. In the "Overall" Needs column, provide the estimated number of renter families that have housing needs. For the remaining characteristics, rate the impact of that factor on the housing needs for each family type, from 1 to 5, with 1 being "no impact" and 5 being "severe impact." Use N/A to indicate that no information is available upon which the PHA can make this assessment.

Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction by Family Type							
Family Type	Overall	Afford-ability	Supply	Quality	Access-ibility	Size	Loca-tion
Income <= 30% of AMI	2,503	5	3	5	3	3	5
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	1,473	5	3	4	3	3	4
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	1,218	4	4	3	3	3	3
Elderly	1,227	3	2	2	3	5	2
Families with Disabilities	unknown	4	4	3	3	3	1
Race/Ethnicity	unknown	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Race/Ethnicity							
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What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

Consolidated Plan of the Jurisdiction/s

Indicate year: 2000 through 2004

U.S. Census data: the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") dataset

American Housing Survey data

Indicate year:

Other housing market study

Indicate year:

Other sources: (list and indicate year of information)

Charleston Housing Waiting Lists

B. Housing Needs of Families on the Public Housing and Section 8 Tenant- Based Assistance Waiting Lists

State the housing needs of the families on the PHA's waiting list/s. **Complete one table for each type of PHA-wide waiting list administered by the PHA.** PHAs may provide separate tables for site-based or sub-jurisdictional public housing waiting lists at their

option.

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List

Waiting list type: (select one)

Section 8 tenant-based assistance

Public Housing

Combined Section 8 and Public Housing

Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)

If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction:

	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	2,394		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	2,079	87%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	260	11%	
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	55	2%	
Families w/ children	1,690	70%	
Elderly families	50	2%	
Families with Disabilities	237	10%	
Race/ethnicity African American	628	26%	
Race/ethnicity Hispanic		Less than 1%	
Characteristics by BR Size (PH Only)			
1BR			
2 BR			
3 BR			
4 BR			
5 BR			
5+ BR			

Is the waiting list closed (select one)? No Yes

If yes:

How long has it been closed (# of months)?

Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? No Yes

Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? No Yes

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List

Waiting list type: (select one)

Section 8 tenant-based assistance
 Public Housing
 Combined Section 8 and Public Housing
 Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)
 If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction:

	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	486		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	340	70%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	121	25%	
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	25	5%	
Families w/ children	253	52%	
Elderly families	73	15%	
Families with Disabilities	194	40%	
Race/ethnicity White	233	48%	
Race/ethnicity African American	253	52%	
Characteristics by BR Size (PH Only)			
1BR	290	59%	
2 BR	118	24%	
3 BR	62	13%	
4 BR	14	3%	
5 BR	2	1%	
5+ BR			

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C. Strategy for Addressing Needs

Provide a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families in the jurisdiction and on the waiting list **IN THE UPCOMING YEAR**, and the Agency's reasons for choosing this strategy.

Deliver a mix of housing products which are desirable, dependable, decent, and safe to fill the community need

of quality affordable housing.

(1) Strategies

Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations

Strategy 1. Maximize the number of affordable units available to the PHA within its current resources by:

Select all that apply

Employ effective maintenance and management policies to minimize the number of public housing units off-line

Reduce turnover time for vacated public housing units

Reduce time to renovate public housing units

Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance development

Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8 replacement housing resources

Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction

Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required

Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration

Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program

Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies

Other (list below) Bond-financed, public housing conversions to Sec. 8, and/or forms of borrowing to upgrade existing stock.

Strategy 2: Increase the number of affordable housing units by:

Select all that apply

Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available

Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of mixed - finance housing

Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based assistance.

Other: (list below)

Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 30% of median

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 30 % of AMI

Select all that apply

Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing

Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in tenant-based section 8 assistance

Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships

Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work

Other: (list below)

Continue to promote rent policies to support and encourage training and education (i.e., FSS programs).

Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 50% of median

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 50% of AMI

Select all that apply

Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working

Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work

Other: (list below)

Continue to promote rent policies to support and encourage training and education (i.e., FSS programs).

Need: Specific Family Types: The Elderly

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:

Select all that apply

Seek designation of public housing for the elderly

Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available

Other: (list below)

Need: Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:

Select all that apply

Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities

Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504 Needs Assessment for Public Housing

Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they become available

Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities

Other: (list below)

Continue to work with Pretera and the Appalachian Center for Independent Living.

Need: Specific Family Types: Races or ethnicities with disproportionate housing needs

Strategy 1: Increase awareness of PHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs:

Select if applicable

Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate housing needs

Other: (list below)

Strategy 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing

Select all that apply

Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units

Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations

Other: (list below)

Other Housing Needs & Strategies: (list needs and strategies below)

(2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies

Of the factors listed below, select all that influenced the PHA's selection of the strategies it will pursue:

Funding constraints

Staffing constraints

Limited availability of sites for assisted housing

Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community

Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other information available to the PHA

Influence of the housing market on PHA programs

Community priorities regarding housing assistance

Results of consultation with local or state government

Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board

Results of consultation with advocacy groups

Other: (list below)

Physical constraints for adequate staffing and program delivery.