

Kentucky Housing Corporation

Continuum of Care Program Toolkit

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COC REVISION HISTORY EXPLANATION				
Revision Date	Affected Pages and Forms	Description of Change		
08/2014	All	Original		
12/2014	Forms changed: Cover page, Form 100, Form 135, Form 136, Form 139, Sample Correct PAR, Sample CoC Client File Checklist, and CoC Resources and Links.	Details on changed forms are outlined below. HMIS documents are now links to the most current versions of those forms. Also in this version, all forms are now PDF fillable forms.		
6/2015	Updated Copyright Information	Copyright updated to cover dissemination language.		
3/2017	Forms changed or added: CoC Intake Procedures, Form 124a-g, 139, 158, 180, HUD Form 5380, HUD Form 5381, HUD Form 5382, HUD Form HUD Form 5383, Conflict of Interest Guidelines, CoC Helpful Links	Original.		

CoC Toolkit Cover Page: The updated KHC logo was inserted.

CoC Intake Procedures

Added new procedures.

Form 100 Homeless Eligibility Checklist:

- In the directions on the first page, instruction number six contained a typo; the word "eligibility" was corrected.
- Under the Love Eviction category on the homeless eligibility checklist, the words "Love Eviction" were removed. Additionally, the instructions on finding the certification credible were clarified.

Removed Form 124 – Verification of Chronically Homeless Disability

• Removed form due to new HUD chronic homeless definition.

Forms 124a-g - New HUD's Definition of Chronic Homelessness documentation

• New required documentation for agencies administering Chronic Homeless projects.

Form 135 SAMPLE Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification CoC Leasing:

• The entry for each unit was modified to a year rather than the age in years.

Form 136 SAMPLE Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification CoC Rental Assistance:

• The entry for each unit was modified to a year rather than the age in years.

Form 139 Authorization to Release and Consent:

• The second section of the form contained a typo; the word "employees" was corrected to "employers". Removed Condition. Added Co-Applicant/Resident. Moved to Sample Forms.

Form 158 Verification of Receipt of Required Documents

• Added non-discrimination language. Added VAWA language. Added Condition.

Form 180 - CoC Service Plan and Tracker

New required form added.

HUD Form 5380

• Notice of Occupancy Rights Under VAWA

HUD Form 5381

Model Emergency Transfer Plan for Victims of DV, DV, Sexual Assault, or Stalking

HUD Form 5382

Certification of DV, DV, Sexual Assault, or Stalking

HUD Form 5383

• Emergency Transfer Request for Certain Victims of DV, DV, Sexual Assault, or Stalking

SAMPLE Correct PAR:

• The dated signature was corrected from 2013 to 2014. Added fillable fields.

SAMPLE CoC Client File Checklist:

- Removed habitability inspection from the list at move-in.
- Removed habitability inspection from the list at annual recertification.
- Added additional items to annual recertification list:
 - ✓ Client Renewal Lease Agreements with landlord or agency
 - ✓ KYHMIS Release of Information
 - ✓ Authorization to Release and Consent
 - ✓ Income/Rent Calculation Worksheet
 - ✓ Utility Allowance Chart

CoC Resources and Links: Updated links from OneCPD to HUDExchange for the following:

- Homeless Eligibility Rule
- CoC Information Page
- CoC FAQs
- HUD System Performance Measures Introductory Guide and Additional Resources
- Income and Rent Calculation Worksheet
- HUD Exchange
- VAWA Implementation Rule
- Updated Super Circular, added additional valuable links and removed obsolete links
- added HCA Help Desk Link
- deleted Sample Language Access plan link
- deleted CoC Compliance monitoring tool link

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Added KHC's Conflict of Interest Guidelines

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This toolkit serves as a reference for Kentucky Housing Corporation's administration of the Continuum of Care (CoC) program. The purpose of this toolkit is to provide tools and resources to agencies to assist in achieving and maintaining compliance with applicable laws and program regulations and to administer programs more effectively and efficiently.

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Please contact the <u>Housing Contract Administration Help Desk</u> if you have questions or need additional assistance with materials within this toolkit.

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About CoC

The Continuum of Care Program is designed to assist individuals (including unaccompanied youth) and families experiencing homelessness and to provide the services needed to help such individuals move into transitional and permanent housing, with the goal of long-term stability. More broadly, the CoC Program is designed to promote community-wide planning and strategic use of resources to address homelessness; improve coordination and integration with mainstream resources and other programs targeted to people experiencing homelessness; improve data collection and performance measurement; and allow each community to tailor its programs to the particular strengths and challenges in assisting homeless individuals and families within that community.

Basic CoC Overview

* Refer to 24 CFR Part 578 for all eligible costs and requirements.

The CoC Program provides funding under five program components: permanent housing, transitional housing, supportive services only, HMIS, and, in some cases, homelessness prevention. These components provide a wide range of housing and services needs to individuals and families experiencing homelessness:

- Acquisition
- Rehabilitation
- New Construction
- Leasing
- Rental Assistance
- Services
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COC Intake Procedures

Application: The application for assistance may contain all the information needed on one form or on several forms (i.e. an application packet). It is up to the sub recipient agency to determine what information is required by their agency's program guidelines. Handwritten applications should be completed and signed by the applicant, in the applicant's own handwriting. Electronic applications must be signed and dated by the applicant. If an applicant asks for assistance in completing the application it is permissible to assist them; however, this should be rare. Applications taken by phone should be clearly marked as such at the top.

Review the Application: Once the application is complete the intake worker should review the application to ensure that all information has been documented and all questions answered. If there are areas left blank, the intake worker should question the applicant to ascertain if this was due to: an oversight, applicant was unsure how to answer; or, if the question does not apply.

Screening Process (Initial Assessment):

 Agencies using the ViSPDAT, conduct the ViSPDAT now. Follow ViSPDAT procedures, if the score allows for continuation of application, proceed to Processing Application. If the ViSPDAT score does not allow for continuation, follow the agency's due process denial procedures.

or

2. Using information gathered from the agencies Initial Assessment forms, determine which funding source of assistance is appropriate for this client. (e.g.: COC, ESG, Other assistance). If COC is determined to be the best option for the client, then continue on to **Processing the Application**. If it is determined that a funding source other than COC is more appropriate, refer this client to the correct agency and/or personnel to start that process.

Processing the Application:

Gather source documents to support information on the application. Areas that need to be verified are:

- Homeless status Using the COC Toolkit, follow the instruction on KHC form HCA 100 to properly
 document the clients homeless status. Form HCA 100 will ensure you are following HUD's preferred
 method of documentation.
- Income & Assets Using the COC Toolkit, locate the form for the source of income and asset information and follow the instructions for proper documentation. Remember to follow HUD's preferred method of documentation: written source document, Oral source document, and after documenting due diligence, self-certification.

Clients <u>must not</u> be responsible for delivering verification forms to and from the source. Verification forms may be mailed, faxed, e-mailed, or hand delivered by agency staff to and from third party sources.

Once all source documentation is gathered and the client is verified as eligible, agency should begin the process to assist the client with one or more of the COC components. If verification evidences the client as ineligible, follow the agency's due process denial procedures.

Assessment of Service Needs (required annually):

Use the Client Service Plan & Tracking tool to assess the client's service needs.

- 1. Provide the client's current status and identify whether this assessment is an initial assessment, an annual assessment or an update.
- Identify the client's current service needs through discussion with the client, using the tool to guide the discussion. Identify if the need will be addressed by your agency or if the agency will refer the client to another service provider.
- List the goals and objectives to address needs that are identified and whether the client, the caseworker, or both will complete the tasks.
- 4. List the referrals given during this assessment

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Required Standard Forms

KHC has issued a set of required standardized forms to be used by all agencies in the administration of CoC projects.

Note: The recipient must keep these records for 5 years after the end of the grant term.

1) Homeless Eligibility Forms

The agency must maintain and follow written intake procedures to ensure compliance with 24 CFR Part 576.500. The procedure requires documentation at intake of the evidence relied upon to establish and verify homeless status in the following order: 1) third-party documentation; 2) intake worker observation; 3) certification from the person seeking assistance. Documentation of homeless status must be maintained in the client file.

2) Disability Verification Forms

While the Permanent Supportive Housing component can only provide assistance to individuals or families in which one adult or child has a disability, other components may need to verify disability status for the purposes of determining adjusted annual income. Intake procedures must require written documentation from HUD-specified qualified source. Disability verifications must be maintained in the client file.

3) Income Verification Forms

Agencies must use these forms to obtain third-party verification of household income. While the CoC programs do not contain an income eligibility threshold, agencies are required to verify income sources for the purpose of calculating annual income. Income verifications must be maintained in the client file.

4) Expense Verification Forms

Agencies must use these forms to obtain third-party verification of out-of-pocket expenses of program participants that are not reimbursed from insurance or another source for the purpose of calculating adjusted annual income. These expense verifications must be maintained in the client file.

5) Rent Reasonableness Form

Agencies may use *leasing funds* to pay up to 100% of the cost of rent of a unit or a structure, as long as rent amounts are at or below FMR and rents are determined reasonable. Rents paid with *rental assistance funds* cannot exceed rent reasonableness. Rent reasonableness means that the rent charged for a unit must be reasonable in relation to rents currently being charged for comparable unassisted units. This worksheet is required to be completed by agencies to document the rents of comparable units and certify rent reasonableness. This form must be maintained in the client file.

Verification of Receipt of Required Documents

RE:		SSN	XXX-XX-
	Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)
on this	uired that the client be provided with the info document when maintained in the client file all applicable actions below. The client must	will serve	as proof of delivery to the client.
	_ Notification of Rights to Fair Housing inforr	mation pr	ovided and reviewed
	_ Anti-Discrimination Policy provided and rev	viewed	
	Personal Privacy Protection Policy informa	ition prov	ided and reviewed
	Confidentiality Agreement provided and re-	viewed	
	_ Grievance Policy and Appeals Process pro	ovided an	nd reviewed
	_ Termination Policy provided and reviewed		
	Program Policies and Rules provided and	reviewed	
	_ Dangers of Lead Based Paint information լ	orovided	and reviewed
	_ VAWA Notice of Occupancy Rights (Form	HUD-538	30)
	_ VAWA Certification of Domestic Violence,	Dating V	iolence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking,
	and Alternative Documentation (Form HUI	D-5382)	
docume	that I have provided the client with the information ints/publications indicated and allowed the client to ensure a thorough understanding of the integral in the integral integral in the integral in the integral in the integral in the int	nt opportu	unity to ask questions regarding these
Signatur	e of intake staff or case manager		Date
	*****ALL ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS	MUST SI	GN THIS DOCUMENT*****
	derstand that KHC and/or HUD may review the in y/our eligibility for the program or for auditing pur		n contained in my/our file in order to
	ify that I/we have received the documents noted s and have those questions answered satisfacto		we was provided the opportunity to ask
Applican	nt Signature		Date
Other Ad	dult Household Member Signature		Date



Client Name	

Directions: (1.) Circle the scenario that best describes the situation for the applicable category. (2.) Follow the steps for that specific situation. If the steps are not followed in order, due diligence must be documented. Exceptions to this requirement are noted for Category 4. (3.) Check the box(es) indicating which documents were obtained. (4.) The staff member completing the form should print name and then sign and date the bottom of the applicable page. (5.) Have supervisor (or equivalent) review the checklist and verifications. Upon review, the supervisor will initial and date indicating review and approval. (6.) Retain the applicable page of the Homeless Eligibility Verification Checklist and the verifications that were obtained in the participant file as verification of homeless eligibility status.

Category 1(i) An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport or camping ground. Category 1(ii) An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals). Category 1(iii) An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

What is the current nighttime residence? (circle one)	Documentation Required	Document(s) Attached (select)	Supervisor Initial/Date
The Street Category 1(i)	 1 Third Party: a) Documentation from outreach worker on Form 101 or on the respective agency's letterhead with ALL of the information from Form 101. Forward Form 101 to third-party to use as template to ensure all required information is obtained. b) Written referral from another housing or service provider on Form 102 or on agency letterhead with ALL of the information from Form 102. Forward Form 102 to third party to use as template to ensure all required information is obtained. c) Oral: Documented statement obtained from third-party when written third-party is not available. Form 103 must be completed by agency staff. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable. 2) Intake Staff Observation: Intake staff observations must be documented on Form 104. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable. 3) Self Certification: A self certification by the individual seeking assistance must be completed on Form 105. Note: If all criteria in section 2 of Form 105 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a,1b and 2 were not obtainable. Due Diligence: Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain third-party verification. 		
Shelter Category 1(ii)	a) HMIS Report; OR b) Documentation from the emergency shelter's staff on Form 106 or on the respective agency's letterhead with ALL of the information from Form 106. Forward Form 106 to third party to use as template to ensure all required information is obtained; c) Oral: Documented statement obtained from emergency shelter when written third-party is not available. Form 107 must be completed by agency staff. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable. 2) Self Certification: A self certification by the individual seeking assistance must be completed on Form 105. Note: If all criteria in section 2 of Form 105 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable. Due Diligence: Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain third-party verification.		

Staff Name	Signature	Date

What is the current nighttime residence? (circle one)	Documentation Required	Document(s) Attached (select)	Supervisor Initial/Date	
	1 Third Party:			
	a) HMIS report; OR			
	b) Documentation from the transitional housing provider's staff on Form 108 or on the respective agency's letterhead with ALL			
	of the information from Form 108 . Forward Form 108 to third party to use as a template to ensure all required information is obtained			
	c) Oral: Documented statement obtained from third-party transitional housing provider when written third-party documentation			
	is not available. Form 109 must be completed by agency staff. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form			
	110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable.			
	Due Diligence: Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain third-party verification.			
	AND for PSH projects only verify the status of the individual(s) prior to entering TH use one of the fo	llowing methods		
	Category 1(i) The Street; or			
	Category 1(ii) Shelter			
	1 Third Party:			
	a) Documentation from charitable organization, federal, state or local government or hotel/motel staff on Form 111 or on the			
	respective agency's letterhead with ALL of the information from Form 111 . Forward Form 111 to third party to use as a			
	template to ensure all required information is obtained; OR			
	b) Oral: Documented statement obtained from third-party entity providing hotel/motel assistance when written third-party			
	documentation is not available. Form 112 must be completed by agency staff. If you are using this method, you must also			
	complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through method 1a was not obtained.			
	2) Self Certification: A self certification by the individual seeking assistance must be completed on Form 105. Note: If <u>all</u>			
	criteria in section 2 of Form 105 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.			
	If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a 1b were not obtainable.			
	Due Diligence: Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain third-party verification.			
	1 Third Party:			
	a) Discharge paperwork from the institution.			
	b) Documentation from institution on Form 113 or on the respective agency's letterhead with ALL of the information from			
	Form 113. Forward Form 113 to third party to use as a template to ensure all required information is obtained.			
	c) Oral: Documented statement obtained from institution when written third-party documentation is not available. Form 114			
	must be completed by agency staff. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason			
Institution Category 1(iii)	verification through methods 1a and 1b were not obtainable.			
	2) Self Certification: A self certification by the individual seeking assistance must be completed on Form 105. Note: If all			
	criteria in section 2 of Form 105 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.			
	If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through methods 1a, 1b			
	and 1c were not obtainable.			
	Due Diligence: Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain third-party verification.			
	AND to verify the status of the individual(s) prior to entering the institution use one of the following methods			
	Category 1(i) The Street; or			
	Category 1(ii) Shelter			

Staff Name Signature Date

lost within 14 days of the	al or family who will imminently lose their primary nightime residence, provided that: (a) the primary nighttime residence will be e date of application for homeless assistance; (b) no subsequent residence has been identified; and (c) the individual or family upport networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, needed to obtain other permanent housing.	Document(s) Attached (select)	Supervisor Initial/Date
Which scenario describes the current living situation of the individual(s)? (circle one)	Documentation Required		
Landlord/ Tenant	Only Acceptable Verification: A court order resulting from an eviction action that requires the individual or family to leave their residence within 14 days after the date of their application for homeless assistance; or the equivalent notice under applicable state law - Forcible Detainer.		
Eviction	AND		
	Form 115 completed by the applicant. Note: If <u>all</u> criteria on Form 115 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.		
For individuals and families whose	Form 115 completed by the applicant. Note: If <u>all</u> criteria on Form 115 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.		
primary nighttime	AND		
residence is a hotel or motel room not paid for by charitable organizations or federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals.			
	Only Acceptable Verification: An oral statement by the individual or head of household to the intake worker who must record the statement on Form 116.		
The owner or renter of	AND must be found credible by one of the following methods		
the housing in which they currently reside will not allow them to stay for more than 14 days	1) A written certification by the owner or renter on Form 117 or a signed written statement from the owner or renter with ALL of the information on Form 117; OR		
	2) Oral: An oral statement from the owner or renter which is recorded by the intake worker on Form 118. If you are using this method, you must also complete Form 110 documenting the reason verification through method 1 was not obtained; OR		
after the date of	3) Form 110 completed by agency staff describing efforts to obtain the owner's or renter's verification.		
application for homeless assistance.	AND		
गणगण्डाच्याच्याच्याच्याच्याच्याच्या	Form 115 completed by the applicant. Note: If <u>all</u> criteria on Form 115 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.		

Staff Name	Signature	Date

Homeless	Eligiblity	Verification	Checklist
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Client Name _____

Category 4 An individual or family who (a) is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence; (b) has no other residence; and (c) lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other housing.

Which scenario describes the agency where the individual(s) is presenting for assistance?	Documentation Required	Document(s) Attached (select)	Supervisor Initial/Date
Victim Service Provider (VSP)	VSP Client Statement Certification: A certification by the individual/head of household seeking assistance documented by the individual or intake staff must be completed on Form 120 . Note: If <u>all</u> criteria on Form 120 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category.		
	Non- VSP Client Statement Certification: A certification by the individual/head of household seeking assistance documented by the individual must be completed on Form 121. Note: If <u>all</u> criteria on Form 121 are not applicable to the applicant's situation, this applicant is not eligible under this category. Where the safety of the individual or family would not be jeopardized, the situation must be verified by		
Non-VSP	A written observation by the intake worker on Form 121 . The written referral or observation need only include the minimum amount of information necessary to document that the individual or family is fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. OR		
	A written referral by a housing or service provider, social worker, legal assistance provider, health-care provider, law enforcement agency, legal assistance provider, pastoral counselor, or any other organization from whom the individual or head of household has sought assistance for domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or other dangerous or life threatening condition. The written referral or observation need only include the minimum amount of information necessary to document that the individual or family is fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This may be completed on Form 122 .		

Staff Name	Signature	Date

Outreach Worker Observation

RE:		SSN	XXX-XX-		
	Applicant's Name (pri			four digits)	
hous indiv inclu desig signa	applicant referenced above has sing program. Federal regular idual. Written verification from a de: the location and the date(signed or ordinarily used as a relature and title of agency staff.	tions require that we an outreach worker mo s) the individual has gular sleeping accom	verify the ust be obtain slept in a pu	homeless status ed. The verificat ublic or private p	s of this ion must place not
Appl	icant Name (print clearly)	Signature of App	licant		Date
	SECTION BELOW TO	BE COMPLETED BY	OUTREAC	H WORKER	
	licant Name)er dates for each selection):		has slept in t	the following loca	tion(s)
	car		from	to	
	park		from	to	
	abandoned building		from	to	
	bus or train station		from	to	
	airport		from	to	
	camping ground		from	to	
	other		from	to	
Addi	tional information:				
Nam	e of agency:				
Addr	ress:				
l cer	tify this information is true an	d complete.			
 Staff	Name and Title	Signature		Date	



Written Referral From Housing/Service Provider

RE:		SSN XXX-XX-	
	Applicant's Name (pr		four digits)
housi indivi verific privat being speci	ng program. Federal regula dual. Written referral from cation must include: the locat te place not designed or ordin	s applied for assistance with our actions require that we verify the a housing or service provider mion and the date(s) the individual arily used as a regular sleeping act agency staff. For each occurrence this information:	homeless status of this nust be obtained. The has slept in a public or ecommodation for human
Appli	cant Name (print clearly)	Signature of Applicant	Date
SE	CTION BELOW TO BE COMP	PLETED BY THE HOUSING OR SE	ERVICE PROVIDER STAFF
	icant Name)r dates for each selection):	has slept in t	he following location(s)
	car	from	to
	park	from	to
	abandoned building	from	to
	bus or train station	from	to
	airport	from	to
	camping ground	from	to
	other	from	to
Addit	ional information:		
Name	e of agency:		
Addre	ess:		
l cert	ify this information is true ar	nd complete.	
Staff	Name and Title	Signature	Date



Oral Verification from Outreach Worker or Housing/Service Provider

KE:		SSN <u>XXX-X</u>	(X-
	Applicant's Name (p	orint)(last four digits)
hous indiv	sing program. Federal regulati	as applied for assistance with our ons require verification of the horn an outreach worker or a housing	meless status of this
infor docu has :	mation in an oral statement fro Iment on this form. The require slept in a public or private plac	on, an intake staff from the housin om the outreach worker or housin ed information includes: the locati ee not designed or ordinarily used signature and title of agency stat	g/service provider and ion and date the individual as a regular sleeping
	SECTION BELOV	W TO BE COMPLETED BY AGE	NCY STAFF
	olicant Name)er dates for each selection):	has slept	in the following location(s)
	car	from	to
	park	from	to
	abandoned building	from	to
	bus or train station	from	to
	airport	from	to
	camping ground	from	to
	other	from	to
Addi	tional information:		
Nam	e of individual providing inform	nation:	
Title		ition:	
ı cer	tify this information is true a	ana complete.	
Staff	Name and Title	Signature	Date



Intake Staff Observation

RE:	Applicant's Name (print)	SSN _	XXX-XX- (last	t four digits)
housi individual the lo ordina	applicant referenced above has applieing program. Federal regulations redual. Written verification from intake socation and the date(s) the individual harily used as a regular sleeping acconfagency staff.	equire that we taff must be ob as slept in a p	verify the tained. The ublic or priva	homeless status of this verification must include: ate place not designed or
	SECTION BELOW TO BE	COMPLETED	BY INTAKI	E STAFF
	icant Name) r dates for each selection):	!	nas slept in t	the following location(s)
	car		from	to
	park		from	to
	abandoned building		from	to
	bus or train station		from	to
	airport		from	to
	camping ground		from	to
	other		from	to
Additi	ional information:			
Name	e of agency:			
Addre	ess:			
	ify this information is true and comp			
Staff	Name and Title	Signature		Date



Homeless Self-Certification

RE:		SSN	XXX-XX-
	Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)
homel neede	al regulations permit the use of these hou less, have not identified a subsequent resi d to obtain permanent housing. A certific ance is required. Verification of these circ	idence and lac ation from the	k the resources and support networks individual or head of household seeking
7	THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY	APPLICAN	T OR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD
1. My	current living situation is (select one and	d describe):	
	car		
	park		
	abandoned building		
	bus or train station		
	airport		
	camping ground		
	shelter		
	institution Name Address		
П	Living arrangement prior to admission in other		
니 I last s	slept in this place I		
2. Se	lect all that apply (N/A for the street or er	nergency she	lter):
obtain	Ve lack the support networks (family, friend permanent housing. Ve lack the financial resources needed to		
	e identify income and assets of the house nt. Include the type of asset and amount		
	Ve am unable to identify a subsequent re	sidence and v	vithout assistance will be homeless.
l certi	fy that the above selected statements	are true and	complete.
Name	(print clearly) Signature	gnature	Date
Recei	ved by:		
Staff N	Name and Title Si	gnature	Date



Written Verification from Emergency Shelter RE: SSN XXX-XX-Applicant's Name (print) (last four digits) The applicant referenced above has applied for assistance with our agency's federally funded housing program. Federal regulations require that we verify the homeless status of this individual. Written verification from a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters) must be obtained. The verification must include: the emergency shelter name and address, applicant's entry and exit dates, and the title and signature of agency staff providing the information. I do hereby authorize the release of this information: Signature of Applicant Applicant Name (print clearly) Date SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY EMERGENCY SHELTER STAFF (Applicant Name) _____ is currently homeless and residing at located at ______ The client entered the shelter on _____ and exited on _____. Additional information:

WARNING: It is unlawful to provide false information to the government when applying for federal public benefit programs per Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Signature

I certify this information is true and complete.

Staff Name and Title



Date

Oral Verification from Emergency Shelter

RE:Applicant's Name (print)	SSN _	XXX-XX- (last four digits)
The applicant referenced above has applied housing program. Federal regulations requindividual. Written verification from a public temporary living arrangements (including co	uire that we veri cly or privately o	fy the homeless status of this operated shelter designated to provide
If unable to obtain written verification, intake information in an oral statement from the th information includes: the emergency shelted dates, name and title of shelter staff provididocumenting the information.	iird party and do er name and ad	ocument on this form. The required dress, applicant's entry and exit
SECTION BELOW TO BE	COMPLETED	BY AGENCY STAFF
(Applicant Name)	is c	urrently homeless and residing at
		shelter
located at		
The client entered the shelter on	and	d exited on
Additional information:		
Name of individual providing information:		
Title of individual providing information:		
Contact number:		
Date and time of conversation:		
I certify this information is true and com	plete.	
Staff Name and Title	Signature	Date



Written Transitional Housing Stay Verification

Applicant's Name (print) The applicant referenced above has applied for ass	SSN XXX-XX- (last four digits)
The applicant referenced above has applied for ass	
housing program. Federal regulations require that windividual. Written verification from a transitional howerification must include: the transitional housing pland exit dates; signature and title of agency staff prolation hereby authorize the release of this information	we verify the homeless status of this busing provider must be obtained. The rovider name and address; applicant's entry oviding the information.
Applicant Name (print clearly) Signature	of Applicant Date
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY THE	E TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROVIDER
(Applicant Name)	is currently enrolled in a transitional
housing program administered by	The client entered
the transitional housing program on	and will exit on
Please provide any information you may have regar prior to entering the transitional housing program:	rding this individual's living arrangements
I certify this information is true and complete.	
Staff Name and Title Sign	nature Date



Oral Transitional Housing Stay Verification

RE:		XXX-XX-	
Applicant's Name (prin	t)	(last four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has a housing program. Federal regulations individual. Written verification from a	require that we verif	fy the homeless status of this	
If unable to obtain written verification, information in an oral statement from tinformation includes: the applicant's and title of shelter staff providing state information.	the third party and do entry and exit dates; t	ocument on this form. The required the address of the residence, name	
SECTION BELOW T	O BE COMPLETED	BY INTAKE STAFF	
(Applicant Name)	ento	ered our transitional housing progra	m
on and exited/or wi	ill exit the transitional	housing program on	
While enrolled in this program he/she	resided at (address):	:	
Please provide any information you m prior to entering the transitional housir	•	is individual's living arrangements	
Name of individual providing informati	on:		
Title of individual providing information	n:		_
Contact number:			
Date and time of conversation:			_
I certify this information is true and	complete.		
Staff Name and Title	Signature	Date	
	 		



Documenting Due Diligence

RE:	SSN _	XXX-XX-
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)
The completion of this form is required when third HUD's preferred method of verifying homeless sta		•
Potential reasons for not providing third-party veri third-party sources identified, inability to contact the		•
Efforts reflecting attempts to follow HUD's preferr faxes, etc.	ed order ir	nclude phone calls, emails, letters,
When documenting the efforts and outcomes for the name and title of the individual, contact numb third-party documentation through email correspondit attached to this document.	er, date ar	nd time. Copies of efforts to obtain
Describe the reason(s) you were unable to acquir	e third-pa	rty verification:
Describe efforts to follow HUD's preferred methodology Document(s) attached: Yes No	d of verifica	ation and the outcome:
If yes, specify:		
I certify this information to be true and comple	ete.	
Staff Name and Title Si	gnature	Date



Written Verification of Hotel/Motel Stay

RE:	SSN X		
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has applied for asshousing program. Federal regulations require that Written verification of a hotel/motel stay must be obtatel/motel name and address, applicant's paid lend the signature and title of the person providing information.	we verify the stained. The gth of stay i	e housing status of this individu verification must include: the	
I do hereby authorize the release of this information	า:		
Applicant Name (print clearly) Signature	e of Applicar	nt Date	
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY C GOVERNMENT STAFF OR H		•	
(Applicant Name)	is currer	ntly residing at (hotel/motel)	
		located	at
The client entered the hotel/motel on	and ex	kited on	<u> </u>
Additional information:			
Name and address of individual or organization that	it paid for ho	otel/motel stay:	
I certify this information is true and complete.			
. so, this information is true and complete.			
Staff Name and Title Sign	nature	Date	
Company Name Ad	dress		



Oral Verification of Hotel/Motel Stay

RE:	SSN _	XXX-XX-
Applicant's Name (print)		XXX-XX- (last four digits)
The applicant referenced above has applied for asshousing program. Federal regulations require that Written verification of a hotel/motel stay must be obtained hotel/motel name and address, applicant's paid lend the signature and title of the person providing information.	we verify otained. T ngth of sta	the housing status of this individual. The verification must include: the
If unable to obtain written verification, intake staff from information in an oral statement from the third party information includes: the hotel/motel name and ad and title of the individual providing statement, and information.	y and doo dress, ap	cument on this form. The required oplicant's entry and exit dates, name
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPL	ETED B	Y AGENCY STAFF
(Applicant Name)	is cu	rrently residing at (hotel/motel)
		located at
The client entered the hotel/motel on	and	d exited on
Additional information:		
Name and address of individual or organization that	at paid fo	r hotel/motel stay:
Name of individual providing information:		
Title of individual providing information:		
Contact number:		
Date and time of conversation:		
I certify this information is true and complete as	s reporte	ed to me.
Staff Name and Title Sign	nature	Date



Written Verification of Institution Stay

RE:	SSN	XXX-XX	
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four dig	gits)
The applicant referenced above has applied for as nousing program. Federal regulations require that nstitution. Verification of an institution stay must be manager, or other appropriate official of the institution and address, the applicant's length of stay is signature of the institution staff providing the information do hereby authorize the release of this information.	we verify be a written tion. The rendered in t	this individual's stance or referral from a so referral must includ	ay in your ocial worker, case le: the institution
Applicant Name (print clearly) Signatur	e of Applic	ant	Date
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPL	ETED RV	INSTITIITION ST	AFE
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMITE			Al I
(Applicant Name)	entere	ed (institution)	
			located at
on and exited/or will exit the i	nstitution o	n	
Please provide any information you may have regarder to admission to your facility:	arding this	individual's living	arrangements
certify this information is true and complete.			
Staff Name and Title Sig	nature		Date



Oral Verification of Institution Stay

RE:	SSN _		
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has appl housing program. Federal regulations institution. Verification of an institution stamanager, or other appropriate official of the	require that we ay must be a writt	verify this individual's stay in the	
If unable to obtain written verification, an in information in an oral statement from the inname and address, the applicant's length of the individual providing statement, and statement.	nstitution. The ref	ferral must include: the institution entry and exit dates, name and title	
SECTION BELOW TO E	BE COMPLETED	BY INTAKE STAFF	
(Applicant Name)	ente	red (institution)	
		located at	
on and exited/or will e	exit the institution	on	
Please provide any information you may h prior to admission to your facility:	nave regarding thi	s individual's living arrangements	
Name of individual providing information: _			
Title of individual providing information: _			
Contact number:			
Date and time of conversation:			
I certify this information is true and complete.			
Staff Name and Title	Signature	Date	



Imminent Risk of Homelessness Certification

RE: SSN	XXX-XX-		
Applicant's Name (print)	(last four digits)		
Federal regulations permit the use of housing program from the strength of homelessness, have not identified resources and support networks needed to obtain other part the individual or head of household presenting for assistic circumstances may be required.	a subsequent residence and lack the permanent housing. A certification from		
For individuals and families whose primary nighttime re- the individual or family lacks the resources necessary after the date of application for homeless assistance is re	to reside there for more than 14 days		
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE HEAD APPLYING FOR ASSIST			
Select all that apply:			
I/We lack the support networks (family, friends, faithto obtain permanent housing.			
I/We lack the financial resources needed to obtain pe	permanent housing.		
Please identify income and assets of the household. Inclamount. Include the type of asset and amount. <i>These it</i>			
I/We cannot identify a subsequent residence and with	thout assistance will be homeless.		
Additional information:			
I certify that the above selected statements are true and complete.			
Name (print clearly) Signa	nature Date		
Received by:			
Staff Name (print clearly) Title Signa	nature Date		



Client Oral Statement of Love Eviction

RE:	SSNXXX-XX
Applicant's Name (print)	(last four digits)
Federal regulations permit the use of housing imminently lose their primary nighttime residence individual or head of household that the owner or reside will not allow them to stay for more than homeless assistance is required. The details of the staff and found credible.	within 14 days. An oral statement by the renter of the housing in which they currently 14 days after the date of application for
At minimum the following information must be obtathe applicant is currently residing, dates of resider reason the applicant must vacate, and the name an can verify the situation.	ncy, the date the applicant must vacate, the
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLE	TED BY INTAKE STAFF
The applicant has provided me with the following in	formation:
Name of the leaseholder:	
Relationship to applicant:	
Current address:	
Dates of residency: Date	required to vacate:
Reason(s) required to vacate:	
Please provide contact information for the owner or	renter who can verify this situation.
Name:	
Title (relative, friend, landlord, etc.):	
Contact Information:	
I certify this information is true and complete as	reported to me.
Staff Name and Title Sign	ature Date



Credible Written Statement of Love Eviction

RE:	SSN	XXX-XX	-	
Applicant's Name (pr		(las	st four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has housing program. Federal regulation individual. Verification must come for is currently residing. The verification residing, dates of residence, the dain individual(s) must vacate. You may be a look of the day and hereby authorize the release of	ons require that we ver from the owner or rend in must include: the ad te the individual(s) must provide the requester	rify the home ter of the resi ddress where ust vacate, ar	less status of thi dence where the the applicant is nd the reason the	s applicant currently
Applicant Name (print clearly)	Signature of Ap	plicant		Date
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPL	ETED BY OWNER O	R RENTER (OF THE RESIDE	NCE
	(Applicant Name)	has resided a	nt (address)	
since	le/She must vacate th	ne residence l	by	
due to the following reason(s):				
Name (print clearly):				
Title of individual providing informat	tion (select one):	Renter	Owner	
I certify this information is true a	nd complete.			
Signature			Date	



Credible Oral Statement of Love Eviction

RE:Applicant's Name (print)	SSN _	XXX-XX- (last four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has appli housing program. Federal regulations reindividual. Verification must come from the is currently residing. The verification must residing, dates of residence, the date to individual(s) must vacate.	require that we e owner or rente include: the ad	 verify the homeless stat r of the residence where the dress where the applicant is 	us of this applicant s currently
THIS SECTION TO BE	COMPLETED E	BY INTAKE STAFF	
(Арр	olicant Name) ha	as resided at (Address)	
since He/She m	nust vacate the r	residence by	
due to:			
Name of individual providing information: _			
Title of individual providing information (sel	ect one):	Renter Owner	
Contact number:			
Date and Time of conversation:			
I certify this information is true and com	plete as report	ted to me.	
Staff Name and Title	Signature	Date	



VSP Client Statement Certification

RE:	SSN _	XXX-XX	
Applicant's Name (pr	int)	(last four dig	its)
The applicant referenced above had nousing program. Federal regulation is fleeing, or attempting to stalking, or other dangerous or life andividual or a family member, in a family is primary night return to their primary nighttime resisupport networks needed to obtain or head of household seeking assistant.	ons require a document flee domestic violence threatening conditions a child, that time residence or has a dence; has no other reother permanent housi	nted certification that ce, dating violence, s that relate to viole has either taken p made the individual of sidence; and lacks the ng. A certification from	the individual or sexual assault, ence against the place within the or family afraid to ne resources and
SECTION BELOW TO BE COM	IPLETED BY THE INDI OR INTAKE STAFF	IVIDUAL/HEAD OF	HOUSEHOLD
Select all that apply:			
I/We are fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against me or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within my or my family's primary nighttime residence or has made me or my family afraid to return to our primary nighttime residence.			
\Box I/We lack the support networks (family, friends, faith-based or social networks, etc.) or resources needed to obtain other housing.			
☐ I/We have not identified a subsequent residence.			
f form completed by applicant:			
certify that the above selected statements are true and complete.			
Name (print clearly)	Signatu	ure	Date
f form completed by intake staff: certify that the above selected statements are true and complete as reported to me by the applicant.			
Staff Name (print clearly)	Title	Signature	Date



Non-VSP Client Statement Certification

RE:	SSN XXX->		
Applicant's Name (print)	((last four digits)	
The applicant referenced above has applied for ass program. Federal regulations require a documente or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating viole life-threatening conditions that relate to violence ag child, that has either taken place within the individu made the individual or family afraid to return to their residence; and lacks the resources and support net certification from the individual or head of household	d certification that nce, sexual assations the individual's or family's per primary nightting works needed to	at the individual or family is fleeing, ault, stalking, or other dangerous or ual or a family member, including a rimary nighttime residence or has me residence; has no other o obtain other housing. A	
Where the safety of the individual is not in jeopardy observation by the intake worker or a written referra observation need only include the minimum amoun individual or family is fleeing, or attempting to flee, ostalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions.	al from an approp t of information r domestic violenc	priate source. The written referral or necessary to document that the	
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY T	HE INDIVIDUAL	/HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	
Select all that apply:			
I/We are fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against me or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within my or my family's primary nighttime residence or has made me or my family afraid to return to our primary nighttime residence. I/We lack the support networks (family, friends, faith-based or social networks, etc.) or resources needed to obtain other housing. I/We have not identified a subsequent residence.			
Can this information be verified without jeopardizing How can this information be verified?	g your safety?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
I certify that the above selected statements are	true and compl	ete.	
Name (print clearly)	Signature	Date	
If applicant answered "Yes" above, the following in	formation must b	pe completed by intake staff.	
Written observation			
OR ☐ Written referral obtained			
Staff Name (print clearly) Title	Signatu	re Date	



Non-VSP Written Referral

RE:	_ SSN	_XXX-XX		
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)		
The applicant referenced above has applied for a housing program. Federal regulations require the Where the safety of the individual or family would dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other be verified by a written referral from a housing or provider, law enforcement agency, legal assistant organization from whom the individual or head or referral or observation need only include the min document the individual or family's living situation	at we verify d not be jeop dangerous service provider f household imum amou	the situation of this individually pardized, the domestic violes or life-threatening condition to the properties of the	lual. lence, on must h-care / other ne written	
I do hereby authorize the release of this informat	ion:			
Applicant Name (print clearly) Signate	ure of Applic	cant	Date	
SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPLET	TED BY THE	E REFERRAL SOURCE		
(Applicant Name)		$_{\scriptscriptstyle -}$ sought assistance at (age	ency)	
			located at	
		on fo	or reasons	
of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual ass	sault, stalkin	ng, or other dangerous or li	fe-	
threatening conditions.				
Please provide the minimum amount of informati family was fleeing, or attempting to flee, one of the		-	ual or	
I certify that the above statements are true and complete.				
Name (print clearly) Title	Signatur	re Date	;	



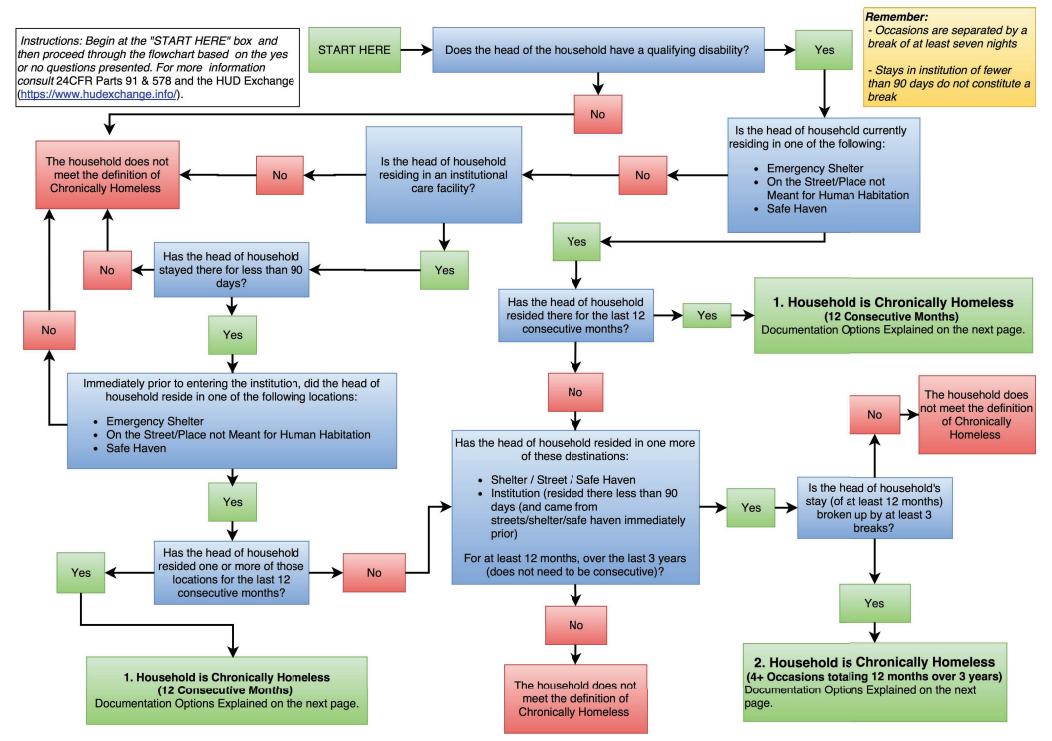
Verification of Disability

I authorize (agency)	of a member of my household:	ecessary information
regarding my disability status or that o	a member of my noddenoid.	WWW WW
(Print) Disabled Household Member	Relationship to Head/Applicant	XXX-XX- SSN (last 4 digits)
I understand that this information is to signing below I authorize the release of	help me qualify for appropriate housing and sup of this information.	oportive services. By
Applicant Signature	Date	e
Development (HUD) program that re	ed for housing under a U.S. Department of Hequires verification of a disability under the abondition(s) you have diagnosed this person t	applicable HUD
1. A condition that:		
 Could be improved by the provisi 	n's ability to live independently; AND on of more suitable housing conditions; AND al impairment, including an impairment caused by alc	ohol or drug abuse, post-
2. A developmental disability	(as defined in Section 102 of the Developme	ental Disability
disability of an individual the ls attributable to a mental or physe. Is manifested before the individual ls likely to continue indefinitely; A Results in substantial functional l and expressive language; (c) Lea Economic self-sufficiency; AND Reflects the individual's need for individualized supports, or other in planned and coordinated. OR An individual from birth to age 9, acquired condition, may be consineriteria described above if the indicriteria later in life. 3. The disease of acquired in the etiological agent for acquired in immunodeficiency verse.	sical impairment or combination of mental and physical attains age 22; AND IND imitations in three or more areas of major life activity; arning; (d) Mobility; (e) Self-direction; (f) Capacity for it a combination and sequence of special, interdiscipling forms of assistance that are of lifelong or extended durinclusive, who has a substantial developmental delay dered to have a developmental disability without meet lividual, without services and supports has a high profusional munodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) or any conjuired immunodeficiency syndrome, including irus (HIV).	al impairments; AND (a) Self-care; (b) Receptive independent living; (g) arry, or generic services, or uration and are individually or specific congenital or eting three or more of the bability of meeting those conditions arising from
Is not considered disabled	according to the above definitions.	
	HIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETE TO BE V	ALID
Name of Certifying Official (print clearly) Title/License #/State Issued (print clearly) Office Address		
Telephone and Fax		
	above named individual meets the disability defin state in which you practice to diagnose and treat	
Signature	Date	9





Flowchart of HUD's Definition of Chronic Homelessness





Documentation Standards for Chronic Homelessness

Instructions: Based on your navigation of the flowchart on the previous page, locate the appropriate numbered situation on this page and follow the documentation standards noted. This tool summarizes the criteria for the new Chronically Homeless Definition. To review the exact language, please refer to 24 CFR Parts 91 & 578 and the HUD Exchange (https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-chronic-homelessness/)

Situation	Documentation of Homelessness	Documentation of Disability
1. Household is Chronically Homeless (12 Consecutive Months)	 □ HMIS record or record from a comparable database; or □ Written observation by an outreach worker of the conditions where the individual was living; or □ Written referral by another housing or service provider; or □ Where the evidence above is unavailable, there must be a certification by the individual seeking assistance, accompanied by the intake worker's documentation of the living situation and the steps taken to obtain the evidence listed above. If the head of household is currently staying in an institution where they have been for less than 90 days (and were in a shelter/street/safe haven immediately prior) their Institutional Stay can be documented by: □ Discharge paperwork or written/oral referral from a social worker or appropriate official of the institutional facility, with start/end dates of client's residence, or □ Where the evidence above is unavailable, there must be a certification by the individual seeking assistance, accompanied by the intake worker's documentation of the living situation and the steps taken to obtain the evidence listed above. 	Documentation of the head of household's disability, including: ☐ Written verification of the disability from a licensed professional; ☐ Written verification from the Social Security Administration; ☐ The receipt of a disability check; or ☐ Intake staff-recorded observation of disability that, no later than 45 days from the application for assistance, accompanied by supporting evidence.
2. Household is Chronically Homeless (4+ Occasions totaling 12 months over 3 years)* *May include institution stays of <90 days	 ☐ HMIS record or record from a comparable database; or ☐ Written observation by an outreach worker of the conditions where the individual was living; or ☐ Written referral by another housing or service provider; or ☐ Discharge paperwork or written/oral referral from a social worker or appropriate official of the institutional facility, with start/end dates of client's residence (for institutional stays of less than 90 days) ☐ Where the evidence above is unavailable, there must be a certification by the individual seeking assistance, accompanied by the intake worker's documentation of the living situation and the steps taken to obtain the evidence listed above. * Each separate occasion MUST be documented (minimum of 3 breaks). 100% of the breaks can be documented by self- report. 	Documentation of the head of household's disability, including: ☐ Written verification of the disability from a licensed professional; ☐ Written verification from the Social Security Administration; ☐ The receipt of a disability check; or ☐ Intake staff-recorded observation of disability that, no later than 45 days from the application for assistance, accompanied by supporting evidence.

Important Notes:

- Each individual occasion needs to be fully documented.
- Breaks can be documented by self-report.
- For each Project:
 - 100% of households served can use self-certification for 3 months of their 12 months,
 - 75% of households served need to use 3rd Party documentation for 9 months of their 12 months, and
 - 25% of households served can use self-certification as documentation for any and all months.



Chronic Homelessness Definition

This tool provides some sample recordkeeping tools for the Chronic Homelessness Definition. To review the exact language, please refer to 24 CFR Parts 91 & 578 and the
HUD Exchange.">HUD Exchange.

Recordkeeping Documentation Options Explained



3rd Party Documentation

Documentation from HMIS/Comparable Database

Records must show entries/exits at Shelters.

An answer of "Yes" to the question as to whether the individual is chronically homeless (Universal Data Element 3.917) is not sufficient.



Written observation by an outreach worker or

Written referral by another housing or service provider



Documentation from Institutions like Hospitals, Correctional Facilities, etc.

Must include records about stay the length of stay, signed by Clinician or other appropriate staff.

Self Certification



Signed certification by the individual seeking assistance describing how they meet the definition, which must be accompanied by the intake worker's documentation of the living situation and the steps taken to obtain evidence to support it.

Remember that for each Project:

- 100% of households served can use self-certification for 3 months of their 12 months,
- 75% of households served need to use 3rd Party documentation for 9 months of their 12 months, and
- 25% of households served can use self-certification as documentation for any and all months.

When do you need third party documentation?



Preferred to record all occasions of homelessness to document Chronic Homelessness.

X

Not necessary to record breaks in homelessness, these can be based on self reports.

SAMPLE Chronic Homelessness Documentation Checklist

An individual is defined by HUD as "Chronically Homeless" if they have a disability and have lived in a shelter, safe haven, or place not meant for human habitation for 12 continuous months or for 4 separate occasions in the last three years (must total 12 months). Breaks in homelessness, while the individual is residing in an institutional care facility will not count as a break in homelessness. Additionally, an individual who is currently residing in an institutional care facility for less than 90 days and meets the above criteria for chronic homelessness may also be considered chronically homeless. Lastly, a family with an adult/minor head of household who meets the above mentioned criteria may also be considered chronically homeless, despite changes in family composition (unless the chronically homeless head of household leaves the family).

Client Name:	Date of Birth:				
Number in Household:	Client Head of Household: ☐ Yes ☐ No				
Part 1: Current Housing Status					
Client must currently be in one of these locations in or Client is currently residing: ☐ In Emergency Shelter ☐ On the Streets/Place not Meant for Human Habita ☐ In the Safe Haven ☐ In an Institutional Care Facility (Where they have be	tion				
Start Date:	End Date:				
Current Housing Status Notes:					
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Part 2:	Part 2: Housing History											
	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month
	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	# 7	# 8	# 9	# 10	# 11	# 12
Mo./Yr.												
	(Current											
	Month)											
Location	\square Streets	☐ Streets	\square Streets	\square Streets	\square Streets	\square Streets	\square Streets	\square Streets	☐ Streets	☐ Streets	☐ Streets	\square Streets
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Apply	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)	(<90 days)
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	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach	Outreach
Check	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.	\square Comp.
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Break	Break 1:											
Mo./Yr.												
& Descr.	Break 2:											
- NI/A	Dunali 2:											
or N/A	Break 3:											
	If there are a	dditional break	ks please detail	and attach.								
Notes												
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Self-Cert. Check		cumentation in					Yes \square No					
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		ied. Please che										
Кеу	Mo. = Month	, Yr. = Year, Ins	t. = Institution,	Doc. = Docume	entation, Obsv.	= Observation	, Comp. = Com	parable, Cert. =	Certification,	Descr. = Descrip	otion	
		Chro	nic Homeles	sness Docun	nentation Ch	necklist - Pag	e 2 of 4 (No	t including A	ttachments)		
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Part 3: Disability Status The term homeless individual with a disability' means an individual who is homeless, as defined in section 103, and has a disability that • Is expected to be long-continuing or of indefinite duration; o Substantially impedes the individual's ability to live independently; o Could be improved by the provision of more suitable housing conditions; and o Is a physical, mental, or emotional impairment, including an impairment caused by alcohol or drug abuse, post-traumatic stress disorder, or brain injury; • Is a developmental disability, as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002); or • Is the disease of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome or any condition arising from the etiologic agency for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. The head of household has been diagnosed with one or more of the following (check all that apply): ☐ Substance use disorder ☐ Serious mental illness ☐ Developmental disability ☐ Post-traumatic stress disorder ☐ Cognitive impairments resulting from brain injury ☐ Chronic physical illness or disability ☐ Other: **Documentation Attached:** ☐ Written verification of the disability from a licensed professional; ☐ Written verification from the Social Security Administration; ☐ The receipt of a disability check; or ☐ Intake staff-recorded observation of disability that, no later than 45 days from the application for assistance, accompanied by supporting evidence. **Disability Notes:** Chronic Homelessness Documentation Checklist - Page 3 of 4 (Not including Attachments)

Part 4: Staff and Client Certifications Client Certification: To the best of my knowledge and ability, all the information provided in this document is true and complete. I also understand that any misrepresentation or false information may result in my participation being cancelled or denied, or in termination of assistance. It is my responsibility to notify ___ __ of any changes in my housing status or address in writing during program participation and I understand that my application may be cancelled if I fail to do so. Client Name: (Printed) **Client Signature:** Date: **Staff Certification:** To the best of my knowledge and ability, all of the information and documentation used in making this eligibility determination is true and complete. **Staff Name: (Printed) Staff Signature:** Date: **Staff Role:** Agency: Notes: **Chronic Homelessness Documentation Checklist - Page 4 of 4 (Not including Attachments)**

Potential reasons for not obtaining source documents: applicant/participant does not receive paystubs due to direct deposit, the first paycheck has not yet been received, social security award letter has been misplaced or lost, etc.

party, oral third-party, and self-certification.

I certify this information is true and complete.

Signature

Print Name

Potential reasons for not obtaining third-party verification include: inability to contact third party, third party refused to provide information, etc.

Efforts reflecting attempts to follow HUD's preferred order include phone calls, e-mails, letters, faxes, etc.

When documenting the efforts and outcomes for phone call attempts, descriptions must include the name and title of the individual, contact number, date and time. Copies of efforts to obtain third-party documentation through e-mail correspondence, certified letters, faxes, etc. should be attached to this document.

	Describe the reason(s) for the inability to	acquire HUD's	preferred income	verification:
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Describe efforts to follow	HUD's pref	ferred method of verifying income and the outcome:
Document(s) attached:	☐ Yes	□ No
If yes, specify:		

WARNING: It is unlawful to provide false information to the government when applying for federal public benefit programs per Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Date

Title



Verification of Employment

RE:Applicant's Name (print)	SSNXXX-XX (last four di	
The person referenced above is a partirequire that we verify the income of progratisfaction of that stated purpose only.	icipant in a federally assisted housingram participants. The information pr	ng program. Federal regulations ovided will remain confidential to
Applicant Name (print clearly)	Signature of Applicant	Date
SECTION TO	O BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLO	YER
Employer:		
Address	City	State Zip
Employee Job Title:		
Presently Employed: Yes - Employmen	nt Date No - Last Day	of Employment
Current Wages/Salary: \$ (select one) hourly weekly bi-weekly		
Average # of regular hours per week:	Year-to-date earnings: \$	through
Overtime Rate: \$ per hou	r Average # of overtime hours pe	er week:
Shift Differential Rate: \$ per he	our Average # of shift differential he	ours per week:
Commissions, bonuses, tips, other: \$		yearly other
List any anticipated change in the employ	yee's rate of pay within the next 12 m	onths:
If the employee's work is seasonal or spo	oradic, please indicate the layoff perio	d(s):
Additional remarks:		
Employer's Signature	Employer's Printed Name	Date
Phone Number:	Fax:	



Zero Income Certification

throug	have applied for emergency or rental assistance program. Program regulations require tion of all income from participating households.
	includes but is not limited to:
•	Gross wages, salaries, overtime pay, commissions, fees, tips and bonuses
•	Net income from operation of a business or from rental or real personal property
•	Interest, dividends and other net income of any kind for real personal property
•	Periodic payments received from Social Security, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefits and other similar types of periodic receipts
•	Lump sum payment(s) for the delayed start of a periodic payment (except as provided in 24 CFR 5.609 (b)(5))
•	Payments in lieu of earnings, such as unemployment and disability compensation, worker's compensation, and severance pay
•	Public assistance
•	Alimony and child support payments (whether through the court system or not)
•	Regular pay, special pay and allowances of a head of household or spouse who is a member of the Armed Forces (whether or not living in the dwelling)
•	Regular monetary gifts from family and/or friends
receive income	stated during this verification process that I have no income at this time. I have not d income since I do not expect to receive any until I applied for (other financial assistance) on (date).
I unde on this be gro also u	stand that any misrepresentation of information or failure to disclose information requested form may disqualify me from participation in the program for which I am applying, and may unds for termination of assistance. I certify that the above information is true and correct. Inderstand that it is my responsibility to report all changes to my household composition or when they occur.
Signat	re: Date:
Witnes	s: Date:



Verification of Child Support

RE:		SSN	۱XXX-X	Χ-	
	ant's Name (print)			ast four digits)	
The person reference regulations require information below.	-	•	•	• • •	•
I do hereby authorize	e the release of this i	nformation:			
Applicant Name (prir	nt clearly)	Signature	of Applicant		Date
SECTION	BELOW TO BE CO	MPLETED BY	CHILD SUP	PORT PROVI	DER
Amount of child supp	oort payments: \$	weekly; \$	\$ m	nonthly; \$	other
If inconsistent, list to	tal amount in last six	months:	\$		
Date child support pa	ayments began:		Date ended:		
Names of children fo	r which payments ar	e made:			
Name		Name			
Name		Name			
Name		Name			
I certify this inform	ation is true and co	mplete.			
Name (Print)		Signature			Date
Address	City	State	Zip	Telepho	one
	rticipant (agency if a	pplicable)			



Verification of Informal Support

RE:Applicant's Name		XXX-XX- (last fou	r digits)	
The person referenced above is regulations require that we ver information provided will remain or	ify all income for the progra	am participar	nt's househo	
I do hereby authorize the release	e of this information:			
Applicant Name (print clearly)	Signature of A	Applicant		Date
SECTION BELOW TO BI	E COMPLETED BY INFORM	IAL SUPPOR	T PROVIDE	R
I certify that I provide financial as The assistance provided is for:	ssistance in the amount of \$_	🗆	weekly \square	monthly
F. C.				
I certify this information is true	e and complete.			
Name (print)	Signature		Date	
Relationship to Participant	Agency (if applicable)		Telepi	none
Address	City	State	Zip	



Verification of Benefits or Pension

RE:		SSN	XXX-XX-	
Applicant's	Name (print)			ur digits)
The person referenced at regulations require that w provided will remain confid	e verify all househo	ld income of	program partici	
I do hereby authorize the	release of this inforr	nation:		
Applicant Name (print clea	arly)	Signature	of Applicant	Date
SECTION BELO	OW TO BE COMPL	ETED BY BE	ENEFITS ADMII	NISTRATOR
Amount of monthly payme	ent to participant:	\$		
OR				
Amount of weekly paymer	nts to participant:	\$		
Date Payments Began:		Date Pa	yments Ended:	
Deductions from gross inc	come for medical ins	urance prem	niums: \$	
Type of Benefit (check on Social Security ☐ I		_	_	☐ VA ☐ Welfare☐Other (please list):
I certify this information	is true and comple	ete.		
Name (print)	Signatur	e		Date
Title	Agency/	Company		Telephone
Address	Citv		State	 Zip



Verification of Assets

RE:	SSN	XXX-XX-	
Applicant's Na	me (print)	(last four	digits)
confidential to the satisfaction	ts of the program participar of that stated purpose only	nts and their househo y.	program. Federal regulations old. This information will remain
By signing below I authorize to	he release of this informati	on.	
Participant's Signature		Date	
SECTION BE	LOW TO BE COMPLETED	BY BANKING INS	TITUTION
	Current Balance	Interest Rate on Account	Date Account Opened
Checking Account #1:	\$	\$	
Checking Account #2:	\$	\$	
	Current Balance	Interest Rate on Account	Date Account Opened
Savings Account #1:	\$	\$	
Savings Account #2:	\$	\$	
Other Accounts:		Interest Rate	Date Account
Account Type	Current Balance	on Account	<u>Opened</u>
	\$	\$	
	\$	\$	
I certify that this information	n is accurate.		
Name (print clearly)	Title	Signature	Date
Financial Institution		Telephone Numb	er
Address	City	State	Zip



Verification of Child Care Expense

RE:	SSN	XXX-XX-	
Applicant's Name (print)		(last four digits)
The individual referenced above is a particle Federal regulations require that we verify enabling the family member to be employed be paid out-of-pocket by the particle and By signing below I authorize the release of	expenses paid ed or to attend I may not be rei	for the care of depe school. The amounts mbursed from another	ndent children provided must source.
from any source for the amount paid:			
Applicant's Signature			Date
THIS SECTION TO BE COME	PLETED BY CH	IILD CARE PROVIDEI	₹
By signing below, I certify that I provide chi and receive the amount of compensation st	ated. Please o		
Names of children for which child care is pr	ovided: 		
Name	Name		
Name	Name		
I receive \$ weekly for services	(OR) I receive	\$ monthly	for services.
Date child care began: numb (OR) weekly (OR)	per of hours chi monthly.	ld care is provided: _	daily
Is any portion of the child care expense paid	d by another so	urce? 🗆 Yes 🗀	□No
If Yes: Total child care amount: \$	Amount pa	aid by another source:	\$
If amounts are received for child care during amount received:	g holidays, vaca	ntions, etc., please prov	vide dates and
I certify that this information is accurate:			
Child Care Provider Signature		Name (print)	
Child Care Facility (if applicable)		Telephone #	
Address	City	State	Zip



Verification of Attendant Care Expense

RE:	Applicant's Name (print)	_ SSN _	XXX-XX- (last four di	gits)
regulations amounts p	dual referenced above is a participal require that we verify attendant care provided must be paid out-of-pocket from another source.	expenses	paid for unreimburs	sed, anticipated costs. The
	below I authorize the release of this for the amount paid:	informatio	n and certify that I	am not reimbursed from
Applicant's	Signature			Date
	SECTION BELOW TO BE COMPL	ETED BY	ATTENDANT CARE	PROVIDER
receive the	below, I certify that I provide atter amount of compensation stated.		_	
If Yes:	Total amount: \$	Amount p	aid by another sour	rce: \$
I receive \$_	weekly for services (OR)) I receive	• \$ mo	nthly for services.
Date attend	dant care began:			
Number of	hours attendant care is provided:	_ daily <i>(O</i>	R) weekly ((OR) monthly.
If amounts amount rec	are received for attendant care during ceived:	ı holidays,	vacations, etc., ple	ase provide dates and
I certify th	is information is true and complete.	•		
Attendant (Care Provider Signature		Name	(print)
Attendant (Care Facility (if applicable)		Phone	Number
Address		City	State	Zip



Verification of Aux	iliary Apparatus Expense	s
RE:Applicant's Name (print)	SSNXXX-XX (last four di	igits)
The individual referenced above is a particip regulations require that we verify the out-of-poinformation includes the estimated out-of-pocket impaired expenses, etc.) of the participant for the provide medical expenses for the past 12-mont insurance or reimbursed to the participant. By signing below I authorize the release of this is source for the amount paid:	ocket medical expenses of part medical expenses (e.g. where e anticipated next 12-month part has been been been been been been been bee	program participants. This elchair, walker, ramp, vision period. If not available, then nclude amounts covered by
Applicant's Signature		Date
SECTION BELOWTO BE COMP	PLETED BY DOCTOR OR OF	FFICE STAFF
Description of Expenses	Total Out-of-Pocket Amor Anticipated 12 Mo. (Of	<u> </u>

The information is provided by:

Name (print)

Signature

Date

Title

Name of Business

Phone Number

Address

City

State

Zip



Verification of Medical Expenses

RE:Applicant's Name (print)	SSN <u>XXX-</u>	XX- (last four dig	its)
The individual referenced above is a partiregulations require that we verify the out-of-information must be provided by a third party estimated out-of-pocket medical expenses of please provide medical expenses for the provided by insurance or reimbursed to the party signing below I authorize the release of the any source for the amount paid:	f-pocket medical exp r, such as a doctor of the participant for the ast 12-month period rticipant.	penses of p r pharmacist next 12-mo l. Expense	rogram participants. This it, familiar with the actual or nth period. If not available, is do not include amounts
Applicant's Signature		D	ate
SECTION BELOWTO BE COMPLETE	D BY DOCTOR, PH	ARMACIST	OR OFFICE STAFF
	Total Out of Po	ocket Amou	nt Paid by Participant
Description of Medical Expenses	Anticipated 12		Last Actual 12 Mo.
The information is provided by:			
Name (print)	ignature		Date
Title	lame of Business		Phone Number
Address C	City	State	Zip



Client Service Plan & Tracker for COC Client Name: Date of Assessment: (Please check type of Assessment) Update Initial Assessment Annual Assessment 1. Summary. Client's current status: If Annual / Update: Were previous objectives/goals achieved? ___Yes ___Partially ____No ___N/A Agency 2. Identify Client's Current Needs (for each need below, indicate if your Refer Need Comments to Out agency will address or if need will be referred to another entity) Address Housing assistance Services Needed - COC Eligible

a) Assistance with moving costs **b)** Case management Counseling • Developing, securing & coordinating services • Obtaining federal, state, and local benefits Monitoring and evaluating client progress Ongoing risk assessment, Safety planning with DV • Developing Housing & Service Plan c) Child care d) Education services e) Employment assistance & job training f) Food **g)** Housing search Assistance to locate, obtain & retain housing • Tenant counseling, understanding leases, arranging utilities & moving Mediation with landlords Credit counseling & accessing free credit report Rental application fees h) Legal services Child support Guardianship Paternity Emancipation Legal separation Orders of protection Civil remedies for victims of DV Appeal of veteran and public benefit claim denials Landlord – tenant disputes Resolution of outstanding criminal warrants



Client Service Plan & Tracker for COC

(Cont.) Identify Client Service Needs	Need	Agency to Address	Refer out	С	omments
i) Life skills training					
budgeting of resources					
Money management					
Household management					
Conflict Management					
Shopping for food and other items					
Nutrition					
How to use public transportation					
Parenting training					
j) Mental health services					
k) Outpatient health services					
I) Substance abuse treatment services					
m) Transportation					
n) Utility deposits					
Other Services Needed – Not COC Eligible, Please be (Needs that are not COC eligible, may be paid with from Homeless Mate					
o)					
p)					
q)					
2. List Cools / Objectives to address yeards that has been		To be o	omplet	ed by	У
3. List Goals / Objectives to address needs that has been identified	Da		asewor		Client √
a)					
b)					
c)					

e)		
4. List referrals given		
a)		
b)		
с)		
Client signature:	Date:	
Case Manager:	Date:	

d)



Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification - CoC Leasing

24 CFR 578.49 (1) Leasing structures. When grants are used to pay rent for all or part of a structure or structures, the rent paid must be reasonable in relation to rents being charged in the area for comparable space. In addition, the rent paid may not exceed rents currently being charged by the same owner for comparable unassisted space.

24 CFR 578.49 (2) Leasing individual units. When grants are used to pay rent for individual housing units, the rent paid must be reasonable in relation to rents being charged for comparable units, taking into account the location, size, type, quality, amenities, facilities, and management services. In addition, the rents may not exceed rents currently being charged for comparable units, and the rent paid may not exceed HUD-determined fair market rents.

	Proposed Unit	Unit #1	Unit #2	Unit #3
Address				
Number of Bedrooms				
Square Feet				
Type of Unit/Construction				
Housing Condition				
Location/ Accessibility				
Amenities				
Unit:				
Site:				
Neighborhood:				
Year of Construction				
Which Utilities are Provided by the Owner (type-Gas, Electric, etc.)				
Unit Rent				
Utility Allowance				
Gross Rent				
Handicap Accessible?				
Most Recent Rent Charged For Proposed Unit		Reason For Change:		
CERTIFICATION: Based upon a comparison with rents for comparable units, I have determined that the proposed rent for the unit IS IS NOT reasonable.				
The rent paid on this unit cannot exceed the HUD-determined Fair Market Rent (FMR) of				
Name:	S	ignature:		Date:



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	Proposed Unit	Unit #1	Unit #2	Unit #3
Address	123 Main St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	789 Elm St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	456 Oak St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	123 Maple St. Frankfort, Ky 40601
Number of Bedrooms	2	2	2	2
Square Feet	950	900	925	975
Type of Unit/Construction	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden
Housing Condition	Good (recently renovated)	Good (well maintained)	Fair (needs repair)	Fair (needs repair)
Location/ Accessibility	Downtown	Downtown	Downtown	Downtown
Amenities	Washer/Dryer Dishwasher	Washer/Dryer Deck	Washer/Dryer Dishwasher	Dishwasher
Unit:	Discourse	Danaga d Danking	Duam anti Allari	Security Cameras
Site:	Playground Covered Parking	Reserved Parking Spaces	Property Mgt. Company/ On-site Maintenance	Elevator Laundry Facilities
Neighborhood:	Public Transportation/Grocery	Bus Stop at Property	Park & Playground	Bus Stop at Property Nearby Shopping
Year of Construction	1994	1999	1984	1979
Which Utilities are Provided by the Owner (type-Gas, Electric, etc.)	All	Electric	Gas Electric	All
Unit Rent	725	675	650	725
Utility Allowance	0	43	53	0
Gross Rent	725	718	703	725
Handicap Accessible?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Most Recent Rent Charged For Proposed Unit	650	Reason For Change: co	ompletely renovated, upd	lated appliances

	Based upon a comparison with rents for comparable units, I have determined IS NOT reasonable.	that the proposed rent
The rent paid on this	unit cannot exceed the HUD-determined Fair Market Rent (FMR) of	
Name:	Signature:	Date:



Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification - CoC Rental Assistance

24 CFR 578.51 (g) HUD will only provide rental assistance for a unit if the rent is reasonable. The recipient or subrecipient must determine whether the rent charged for the unit receiving rental assistance is reasonable in relation to rents being charged for comparable unassisted units, taking into account the location, size, type, quality, amenities, facilities, and management and maintenance of each unit. Reasonable rent must not exceed rents currently being charged by the same owner for comparable unassisted units.

	Proposed Unit	Unit #1 (if possible, same owner as proposed unit)	Unit #2	Unit #3
Address				
Number of Bedrooms				
Square Feet				
Type of Unit/Construction				
Housing Condition				
Location/ Accessibility				
Amenities				
Unit:				
Site:				
Neighborhood:				
Year of Construction				
Which Utilities are provide by the Owner (type-Gas, Electric, etc.)				
Unit Rent				
Utility Allowance				
Gross Rent				
Handicap Accessible?				
Most Recent Rent Charged For Proposed Unit		Reason For Change:		
CERTIFICATION: Based upon a comparison with rents for comparable units, I have determined that the proposed rent for the unit IS IS NOT reasonable.				
Does rent charged for this unit exceed rents charged by the same owner for comparable units?YESNO				
Name:		Signature:		_ Date:



Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification - CoC Rental Assistance

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	Proposed Unit	Unit #1 (if possible, same owner as proposed unit)	Unit #2	Unit #3
Address	123 Main St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	124 Main St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	456 Oak St. Frankfort, Ky 40601	123 Maple St. Frankfort, Ky 40601
Number of Bedrooms	2	2	2	2
Square Feet	950	950	925	975
Type of Unit/Construction	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden	Apt./Garden
Housing Condition	Good (recently renovated)	Good (recently renovated)	Fair (needs repair)	Fair (needs repair)
Location/ Accessibility	Downtown	Downtown	Downtown	Downtown
Amenities	Washer/Dryer Dishwasher	Washer/Dryer Dishwasher	Washer/Dryer Dishwasher	Dishwasher
Unit:				Security Cameras
Site:	Playground Covered Parking	Playground Covered Parking	Property Mgt. Company/ On-site Maintenance	Elevator Laundry Facilities
Neighborhood:	Public Transportation/Grocery	Public Transportation/Grocery	Park & Playground	Bus Stop at Property Nearby Shopping
Year of Construction	1994	1994	1984	1979
Which Utilities are provide by the Owner (type-Gas, Electric, etc.)	All	All	Gas/Electric	All
Unit Rent	725	725	650	750
Utility Allowance	0	0	53	0
Gross Rent	725	725	703	750
Handicap Accessible?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Most Recent Rent Charged For Proposed Unit	725	Reason For Change: N/	'A	

CERTIFICATION: Based upon a compari proposed rent for the unit <u>X</u> IS IS	son with rents for comparable units, I have detern S NOT reasonable.	mined that the
Does rent charged for this unit exceed ren	ts charged by the same owner for comparable ur	nits?YES <u>X</u> NO
Name:	Signature:	Date:



Instructions for Completing the Rent Reasonableness Checklist and Certification

Ensure the applicable rent reasonableness checklist is completed for the type of assistance provided for the unit. The selection of comparables may require the review of similar units owned by the same person/entity who owns the proposed unit. It is recommended that the unit selection be a reasonable reflection of the market to determine rent reasonableness. For example, the selection of three units within the same complex will not demonstrate an accurate comparative market analysis. When completing the form, focus considerations on the factors that affect rent rather than trying to measure against the arbitrary standard of average rents. The person conducting the rent reasonableness should provide sufficient information about the evaluation process so that a supervisor or monitor can understand how the comparables were used to determine the appropriate rent for the program units.

Address: Identify the address of the proposed unit as well as the addresses of the comparable units.

Number of Bedrooms: Identify the number of bedrooms of each unit. Comparable units should have the same number of bedrooms as the proposed unit. In some cases, it may be difficult to identify units that match the location, building type and number of bedrooms. In such cases, the reviewer may need to review units that (a) have the same number of bedrooms and building type but in a broader geographic range, or (b) have the same number of bedrooms and are in the same geographic location but are in other types of buildings. These cases should be rare and documentation should support these exceptions.

Square Feet: Identify the square footage of the living area in the units.

Type of Unit/Construction: Identify the unit type by selecting one of the following: apartment (garden 1-4 stories, mid-rise 5-8 stories, or high-rise 9+ stories), townhouse, duplex, single family house, or other (e.g. mobile home, etc.).

Housing Condition: Describe the condition or quality of the units. Considerations when making this determination may include: newly constructed, completely renovated, partially renovated, no renovation since construction, well maintained, repairs needed soon, minor maintenance required, etc.

Location: Identify the location of the units. Are the comparable units close in proximity or in different geographic areas? Descriptions may include: downtown, rural, the specific name of a neighborhood, etc.

Amenities: Identify amenities provided by the owner. Descriptions may include: central A/C vs. window A/C units, washer/dryer connections, washer/dryer, dishwasher, garbage disposal, balcony, patio, etc. If applicable, identify site amenities. Descriptions may include: playground, covered parking, reserved parking spaces, on-site property management staff, on-site maintenance, security guards, security cameras, laundry facilities, elevator, etc. Identify neighborhood/area amenities. Descriptions may include: nearby shopping, public transportation, park, grocery, walking trail, hospital, etc.

Year of Construction: Identify the year the unit was built: 1978, 2000, 1934, etc.

KHC Instructions for Calculating Utility Allowance

- 1. Obtain a current Utility Allowance Chart from the appropriate Public Housing Authority (PHA) for the area in which the unit is located. For counties in which KHC is the Section 8 administrator, KHC Utility Allowance Charts will be used. These can be found on the KHC website under Program Compliance. For counties where KHC is not the Section 8 administrator, contact your local PHA to obtain the current year's utility allowance. Utility allowances are updated on an annual basis; please check the date at the top of the utility allowance chart to ensure you are using the current year's numbers.
- 2. Determine the utilities the client is responsible for and the fuel source for heating, cooking, and water heating (e.g. gas, electric, propane, etc.). Also determine whether the refrigerator and stove are supplied by the landlord (see # 10 below).
- 3. Determine the category of housing for the unit in question. If the client is responsible for paying heating costs, locate the correct heat/air utility category for the category of house, and select the correct fuel source under the correct bedroom size column and circle the number.
- 4. If the unit has access to air conditioning, you will always include the air conditioning allowance whether it is a window air conditioner or central air; circle the air conditioning number under the correct bedroom size column.
- 5. If the client is responsible for paying cooking costs, locate the correct fuel source for cooking and circle the number that corresponds to the correct bedroom size of the unit.
- 6. If the client is responsible for paying water heating costs, locate the correct fuel source and bedroom size for water heating and circle that number.
- 7. If the client is responsible for the electric bill, always include the category of other electric. This amount covers the lights and other items that get plugged into electric sockets (including the electricity that runs the refrigerator and stove).
- 8. If the client is responsible for paying the water and sewer bill, circle those numbers for the correct bedroom size of the unit.
- 9. If the client is responsible for paying for garbage pickup, circle the number for the correct bedroom size of the unit.
- 10. Range and refrigerator categories will only be circled if the tenant is responsible for providing their own refrigerator or stove appliance, these categories are not for the utilities to run these appliances. That is covered under other electric.
- 11. Do not include other appliances which are not specified on the applicable PHA's utility allowance chart (e.g. washer and dryer, etc.).
- 12. Now you are ready to calculate. Looking over your form you should have circles all in one column which corresponds to the number of bedrooms of the unit. Add all the numbers you have circled to calculate the utility allowance amount.

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Notice of Occupancy Rights under the Violence Against Women Act¹

To all Tenants and Applicants

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) provides protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. VAWA protections are not only available to women, but are available equally to all individuals regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.² The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the Federal agency that oversees that is in compliance with VAWA. This notice explains your rights under VAWA. A HUD-approved certification form is attached to this notice. You can fill out this form to show that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and that you wish to use your rights under VAWA." **Protections for Applicants** If you otherwise qualify for assistance under , you cannot be denied admission or denied assistance because you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. **Protections for Tenants** If you are receiving assistance under , you may not be denied assistance, terminated from participation, or be evicted from your rental housing

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² Housing providers cannot discriminate on the basis of any protected characteristic, including race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, or age. HUD-assisted and HUD-insured housing must be made available to all otherwise eligible individuals regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

because you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Also, if you or an affiliated individual of yours is or has been the victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking by a member of your household or any guest, you may not be denied rental assistance or occupancy rights under _______ solely on the basis of criminal activity directly relating to that domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Affiliated individual means your spouse, parent, brother, sister, or child, or a person to whom you stand in the place of a parent or guardian (for example, the affiliated individual is in your care, custody, or control); or any individual, tenant, or lawful occupant living in your household.

Removing the Abuser or Perpetrator from the Household

HP may divide (bifurcate) your lease in order to evict the individual or terminate the assistance of the individual who has engaged in criminal activity (the abuser or perpetrator) directly relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

If HP chooses to remove the abuser or perpetrator, HP may not take away the rights of eligible tenants to the unit or otherwise punish the remaining tenants. If the evicted abuser or perpetrator was the sole tenant to have established eligibility for assistance under the program, HP must allow the tenant who is or has been a victim and other household members to remain in the unit for a period of time, in order to establish eligibility under the program or under another HUD housing program covered by VAWA, or, find alternative housing.

In removing the abuser or perpetrator from the household, HP must follow Federal, State, and local eviction procedures. In order to divide a lease, HP may, but is not required to, ask you for

documentation or certification of the incidences of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Moving to Another Unit

Upon your request, HP may permit you to move to another unit, subject to the availability of other units, and still keep your assistance. In order to approve a request, HP may ask you to provide documentation that you are requesting to move because of an incidence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. If the request is a request for emergency transfer, the housing provider may ask you to submit a written request or fill out a form where you certify that you meet the criteria for an emergency transfer under VAWA. The criteria are:

- (1) You are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. If your housing provider does not already have documentation that you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, your housing provider may ask you for such documentation, as described in the documentation section below.
- (2) You expressly request the emergency transfer. Your housing provider may choose to require that you submit a form, or may accept another written or oral request.
- (3) You reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your current unit. This means you have a reason to fear that if you do not receive a transfer you would suffer violence in the very near future.

OR

You are a victim of sexual assault and the assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period before you request a transfer. If you are a victim of sexual assault, then in addition to qualifying for an emergency transfer because you reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your unit, you may qualify for an emergency transfer if the sexual assault occurred on the premises of the property from which you are seeking your transfer, and that assault happened within the 90-calendar-day period before you expressly request the transfer.

HP will keep confidential requests for emergency transfers by victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and the location of any move by such victims and their families.

HP's emergency transfer plan provides further information on emergency transfers, and HP must make a copy of its emergency transfer plan available to you if you ask to see it.

Documenting You Are or Have Been a Victim of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking

HP can, but is not required to, ask you to provide documentation to "certify" that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Such request from HP must be in writing, and HP must give you at least 14 business days (Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays do not count) from the day you receive the request to provide the documentation. HP may, but does not have to, extend the deadline for the submission of documentation upon your request.

You can provide one of the following to HP as documentation. It is your choice which of the following to submit if HP asks you to provide documentation that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

- A complete HUD-approved certification form given to you by HP with this notice, that documents an incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The form will ask for your name, the date, time, and location of the incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and a description of the incident. The certification form provides for including the name of the abuser or perpetrator if the name of the abuser or perpetrator is known and is safe to provide.
- A record of a Federal, State, tribal, territorial, or local law enforcement agency, court, or administrative agency that documents the incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Examples of such records include police reports, protective orders, and restraining orders, among others.
- A statement, which you must sign, along with the signature of an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, a medical professional or a mental health professional (collectively, "professional") from whom you sought assistance in addressing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or the effects of abuse, and with the professional selected by you attesting under penalty of perjury that he or she believes that the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking are grounds for protection.
- Any other statement or evidence that HP has agreed to accept.

If you fail or refuse to provide one of these documents within the 14 business days, HP does not have to provide you with the protections contained in this notice.

If HP receives conflicting evidence that an incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed (such as certification forms from two or more members of a household each claiming to be a victim and naming one or more of the other petitioning household members as the abuser or perpetrator), HP has the right to request that you provide third-party documentation within thirty 30 calendar days in order to resolve the conflict. If you fail or refuse to provide third-party documentation where there is conflicting evidence, HP does not have to provide you with the protections contained in this notice.

Confidentiality

HP must keep confidential any information you provide related to the exercise of your rights under VAWA, including the fact that you are exercising your rights under VAWA.

HP must not allow any individual administering assistance or other services on behalf of HP (for example, employees and contractors) to have access to confidential information unless for reasons that specifically call for these individuals to have access to this information under applicable Federal, State, or local law.

HP must not enter your information into any shared database or disclose your information to any other entity or individual. HP, however, may disclose the information provided if:

- You give written permission to HP to release the information on a time limited basis.
- HP needs to use the information in an eviction or termination proceeding, such as to evict your abuser or perpetrator or terminate your abuser or perpetrator from assistance under this program.
- A law requires HP or your landlord to release the information.

VAWA does not limit HP's duty to honor court orders about access to or control of the property.

This includes orders issued to protect a victim and orders dividing property among household members in cases where a family breaks up.

Reasons a Tenant Eligible for Occupancy Rights under VAWA May Be Evicted or Assistance May Be Terminated

You can be evicted and your assistance can be terminated for serious or repeated lease violations that are not related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking committed against you. However, HP cannot hold tenants who have been victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to a more demanding set of rules than it applies to tenants who have not been victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

The protections described in this notice might not apply, and you could be evicted and your assistance terminated, if HP can demonstrate that not evicting you or terminating your assistance would present a real physical danger that:

- 1) Would occur within an immediate time frame, and
- 2) Could result in death or serious bodily harm to other tenants or those who work on the property.

If HP can demonstrate the above, HP should only terminate your assistance or evict you if there are no other actions that could be taken to reduce or eliminate the threat.

Other Laws

VAWA does not replace any Federal, State, or local law that provides greater protection for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. You may be entitled to

additional housing protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking under other Federal laws, as well as under State and local laws.

Non-Compliance with The Requirements of This Notice You may report a covered housing provider's violations of these rights and seek additional
assistance, if needed, by contacting or filing a complaint with
or
For Additional Information
You may view a copy of HUD's final VAWA rule at [insert Federal Register link].
Additionally, HP must make a copy of HUD's VAWA regulations available to you if you ask to
see them.
For questions regarding VAWA, please contact
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For help regarding an abusive relationship, you may call the National Domestic Violence Hotline
at 1-800-799-7233 or, for persons with hearing impairments, 1-800-787-3224 (TTY). You may
also contact
For tenants who are or have been victims of stalking seeking help may visit the National Center
for Victims of Crime's Stalking Resource Center at https://www.victimsofcrime.org/our-
programs/stalking-resource-center.
For help regarding sexual assault, you may contact
Victims of stalking seeking help may contact

Attachment: Certification form HUD-5382 [form approved for this program to be included]

temporary or more permanent occupancy.

Emergency Transfers

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Model Emergency Transfer Plan for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking

(acronym HP for purposes of this model
plan) is concerned about the safety of its tenants, and such concern extends to tenants who are
victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. In accordance with the
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), HP allows tenants who are victims of domestic
violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to request an emergency transfer from the
tenant's current unit to another unit. The ability to request a transfer is available regardless of
sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation. ² The ability of HP to honor such request for tenants
currently receiving assistance, however, may depend upon a preliminary determination that the
tenant is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking,
and on whether HP has another dwelling unit that is available and is safe to offer the tenant for

This plan identifies tenants who are eligible for an emergency transfer, the documentation needed to request an emergency transfer, confidentiality protections, how an emergency transfer may occur, and guidance to tenants on safety and security. This plan is based on a model

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emergency transfer plan published by the U.S.	Department of Housing and Urba	ın Developmen
(HUD), the Federal agency that oversees that _		is in
compliance with VAWA.		

Eligibility for Emergency Transfers

A tenant who is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, as provided in HUD's regulations at 24 CFR part 5, subpart L is eligible for an emergency transfer, if: the tenant reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the tenant remains within the same unit. If the tenant is a victim of sexual assault, the tenant may also be eligible to transfer if the sexual assault occurred on the premises within the 90-calendar-day period preceding a request for an emergency transfer.

A tenant requesting an emergency transfer must expressly request the transfer in accordance with the procedures described in this plan.

Tenants who are not in good standing may still request an emergency transfer if they meet the eligibility requirements in this section.

Emergency Transfer Request Documentation

To request an emergency transfer, the tenant shall notify HP's management office and submit a written request for a transfer to _______. HP will provide reasonable accommodations to this policy for individuals with disabilities. The tenant's written request for an emergency transfer should include either:

 A statement expressing that the tenant reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the tenant were to remain in the same dwelling unit assisted under HP's program; OR A statement that the tenant was a sexual assault victim and that the sexual assault
occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the tenant's
request for an emergency transfer.

Confidentiality

HP will keep confidential any information that the tenant submits in requesting an emergency transfer, and information about the emergency transfer, unless the tenant gives HP written permission to release the information on a time limited basis, or disclosure of the information is required by law or required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance from the covered program. This includes keeping confidential the new location of the dwelling unit of the tenant, if one is provided, from the person(s) that committed an act(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against the tenant. See the Notice of Occupancy Rights under the Violence Against Women Act For All Tenants for more information about HP's responsibility to maintain the confidentiality of information related to incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Emergency Transfer Timing and Availability

HP cannot guarantee that a transfer request will be approved or how long it will take to process a transfer request. HP will, however, act as quickly as possible to move a tenant who is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to another unit, subject to availability and safety of a unit. If a tenant reasonably believes a proposed transfer would not be safe, the tenant may request a transfer to a different unit. If a unit is available, the transferred tenant must agree to abide by the terms and conditions that govern occupancy in the unit to which the tenant has been transferred. HP may be unable to transfer a tenant to a particular unit if the tenant has not or cannot establish eligibility for that unit.

If HP has no safe and available units for which a tenant who needs an emergency is eligible, HP will assist the tenant in identifying other housing providers who may have safe and available units to which the tenant could move. At the tenant's request, HP will also assist tenants in contacting the local organizations offering assistance to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that are attached to this plan.

Safety and Security of Tenants

Pending processing of the transfer and the actual transfer, if it is approved and occurs, the tenant is urged to take all reasonable precautions to be safe.

Tenants who are or have been victims of domestic violence are encouraged to contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233, or a local domestic violence shelter, for assistance in creating a safety plan. For persons with hearing impairments, that hotline can be accessed by calling 1-800-787-3224 (TTY).

Tenants who have been victims of sexual assault may call the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network's National Sexual Assault Hotline at 800-656-HOPE, or visit the online hotline at https://ohl.rainn.org/online/.

Tenants who are or have been victims of stalking seeking help may visit the National Center for Victims of Crime's Stalking Resource Center at https://www.victimsofcrime.org/our-programs/stalking-resource-center.

Attachment: Local organizations offering assistance to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

CERTIFICATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR ST

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SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING, AND ALTERNATE DOCUMENTATION

Purpose of Form: The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") protects applicants, tenants, and program participants in certain HUD programs from being evicted, denied housing assistance, or terminated from housing assistance based on acts of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against them. Despite the name of this law, VAWA protection is available to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

Use of This Optional Form: If you are seeking VAWA protections from your housing provider, your housing provider may give you a written request that asks you to submit documentation about the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

In response to this request, you or someone on your behalf may complete this optional form and submit it to your housing provider, or you may submit one of the following types of third-party documentation:

- (1) A document signed by you and an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, or medical professional, or a mental health professional (collectively, "professional") from whom you have sought assistance relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or the effects of abuse. The document must specify, under penalty of perjury, that the professional believes the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking occurred and meet the definition of "domestic violence," "dating violence," "sexual assault," or "stalking" in HUD's regulations at 24 CFR 5.2003.
- (2) A record of a Federal, State, tribal, territorial or local law enforcement agency, court, or administrative agency; or
- (3) At the discretion of the housing provider, a statement or other evidence provided by the applicant or tenant.

Submission of Documentation: The time period to submit documentation is 14 business days from the date that you receive a written request from your housing provider asking that you provide documentation of the occurrence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Your housing provider may, but is not required to, extend the time period to submit the documentation, if you request an extension of the time period. If the requested information is not received within 14 business days of when you received the request for the documentation, or any extension of the date provided by your housing provider, your housing provider does not need to grant you any of the VAWA protections. Distribution or issuance of this form does not serve as a written request for certification.

Confidentiality: All information provided to your housing provider concerning the incident(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking shall be kept confidential and such details shall not be entered into any shared database. Employees of your housing provider are not to have access to these details unless to grant or deny VAWA protections to you, and such employees may not disclose this information to any other entity or individual, except to the extent that disclosure is: (i) consented to by you in writing in a time-limited release; (ii) required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance; or (iii) otherwise required by applicable law.

TO BE COMPLETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING

1. Date the written request is received by victim:	
2. Name of victim:	-
3. Your name (if different from victim's):	-
4. Name(s) of other family member(s) listed on the lease:	
5. Residence of victim:	_
6. Name of the accused perpetrator (if known and can be safely disclosed):	-
7. Relationship of the accused perpetrator to the victim:	
8. Date(s) and times(s) of incident(s) (if known):	_
10. Location of incident(s):	_
In your own words, briefly describe the incident(s):	
This is to certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of n knowledge and recollection, and that the individual named above in Item 2 is or has been a victim domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. I acknowledge that submission of fal information could jeopardize program eligibility and could be the basis for denial of admission termination of assistance, or eviction.	of se
SignatureSigned on (Date)	

Public Reporting Burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response. This includes the time for collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data. The information provided is to be used by the housing provider to request certification that the applicant or tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The information is subject to the confidentiality requirements of VAWA. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

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Purpose of Form: If you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and you are seeking an emergency transfer, you may use this form to request an emergency transfer and certify that you meet the requirements of eligibility for an emergency transfer under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). Although the statutory name references women, VAWA rights and protections apply to all victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking. Using this form does not necessarily mean that you will receive an emergency transfer. See your housing provider's emergency transfer plan for more information about the availability of emergency transfers.

The requirements you must meet are:

SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING

- (1) You are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. If your housing provider does not already have documentation that you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, your housing provider may ask you for such documentation. In response, you may submit Form HUD-5382, or any one of the other types of documentation listed on that Form.
- (2) You expressly request the emergency transfer. Submission of this form confirms that you have expressly requested a transfer. Your housing provider may choose to require that you submit this form, or may accept another written or oral request. Please see your housing provider's emergency transfer plan for more details.
- (3) You reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your current unit. This means you have a reason to fear that if you do not receive a transfer you would suffer violence in the very near future.

OR

You are a victim of sexual assault and the assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period before you request a transfer. If you are a victim of sexual assault, then in addition to qualifying for an emergency transfer because you reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your unit, you may qualify for an emergency transfer if the sexual assault occurred on the premises of the property from which you are seeking your transfer, and that assault happened within the 90-calendar-day period before you submit this form or otherwise expressly request the transfer.

Submission of Documentation: If you have third-party documentation that demonstrates why you are eligible for an emergency transfer, you should submit that documentation to your housing provider if it is safe for you to do so. Examples of third party documentation include, but are not limited to: a letter or other documentation from a victim service provider, social worker, legal assistance provider, pastoral counselor, mental health provider, or other professional from whom you have sought assistance; a current restraining order; a recent court order or other court records; a law enforcement report or records; communication records from the perpetrator of the violence or family members or friends of the perpetrator of the violence, including emails, voicemails, text messages, and social media posts.

Confidentiality: All information provided to your housing provider concerning the incident(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and concerning your request for an emergency transfer shall be kept confidential. Such details shall not be entered into any shared database. Employees of your housing provider are not to have access to these details unless to grant or deny VAWA protections or an emergency transfer to you. Such employees may not disclose this information to any other entity or individual, except to the extent that disclosure is: (i) consented to by you in writing in a time-limited release; (ii) required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance; or (iii) otherwise required by applicable law.

TO BE COMPLETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE PERSON REQUESTING A TRANSFER

1. Name of victim requesting	an emergency transfer:
2. Your name (if different fro	m victim's)
	ember(s) listed on the lease:
	ember(s) who would transfer with the victim:
5. Address of location from w	hich the victim seeks to transfer:
6. Address or phone number	for contacting the victim:
7. Name of the accused perpe	trator (if known and can be safely disclosed):
8. Relationship of the accused	perpetrator to the victim:
	on(s) of incident(s):
10. Is the person requesting the	the transfer a victim of a sexual assault that occurred in the past 90 coperty from which the victim is seeking a transfer? If yes, skip stion 11
11. Describe why the victim b violence if they remain in their	relieves they are threatened with imminent harm from further r current unit.
notice: This is to certify that the info knowledge, and that the individ an emergency transfer. I ackn	st any third-party documentation you are providing along with this ormation provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my ual named above in Item 1 meets the requirement laid out on this form for owledge that submission of false information could jeopardize program is for denial of admission, termination of assistance, or eviction.
Signature	Signed on (Date)
	Form HIID-5383

HUD Publishes New Proposed Rule Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013: Implementation in HUD Housing Programs

On April 1, 2015, the Department of Housing and Urban Development issued a **proposed rule** amending HUD's regulations to fully implement the requirements of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) as reauthorized in 2013 under the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA 2013). VAWA 2013 provides enhanced statutory protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. VAWA 2013 also expands VAWA protections to HUD programs beyond HUD's public housing and Section 8 programs, which were covered by the reauthorization of VAWA in 2005 (VAWA 2005). In addition to proposing regulatory amendments to fully implement VAWA 2013, HUD has also created two documents concerning tenant protections required by VAWA 2013 – a notice of occupancy rights and an emergency transfer plan.

Sample Forms Overview

Use of *sample* documents in the format provided is not required; however, the documents contain the minimum information necessary and may be referenced for development of agency forms.

General Authorization to Release

This form gives the agency authorization to verify the applicant's or client's information.

Client File Checklist

This checklist serves to ensure that all the necessary paperwork has been completed and required document has been obtained. You may use the Client File Checklist available in this toolkit or the Word document file of the Client File Checklist is available at the HCA Help Desk to allow creation of a personalized client file checklist.

Personnel Activity Report (PAR)

The sample PAR documents provide examples of an acceptable PAR, an incorrect PAR, a list identifying deficiencies in the incorrect sample, and guidance for developing and completing PARs at your agency. Agencies should use the sample and guidance provided to ensure that the PAR developed at the agency level contains all required information and is completed correctly. You may use the PAR available in this toolkit or the Word document file of the Personnel Activity Report (PAR) is also available at the HCA Help Desk to allow creation of your own PAR.

Authorization to Release and Consent

Agency Name:		
INFORMATION COVERED		
that may be requested include, but are child care allowances, expenses and co obtain any information about me/us tha	nt information regarding me/us may be n not limited to: personal identity, employn ost of services. I/We understand that this t is not pertinent to my eligibility for and on and or United States Department of House	nent, income and assets, medical or s authorization cannot be used to continued participation in a
GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS THAT MA	AY BE ASKED	
The groups or individuals that may be a	sked to release the above information in	nclude, but are not limited to:
Past and present employers Past, present, future landlords Public Housing Agencies Child support providers Child care providers State unemployment agencies Other benefit providers public/private	Welfare agencies Past, present, future utility providers Social Security Administration Medical providers Alimony providers Legal service providers	Veterans Administration Retirement /Pension systems Banks/other financial institutions Mental health providers Service vendors Credit repair providers
CONDITIONS		
	norization may be used for the purposes ffect for a year and one month from the ct any information that is incorrect.	
	ersons or companies in the categories li ent, income, assets, expenses and/or co	
SIGNATURES		
Applicant/Resident	Print Name	Date
Co-Applicant/Resident	Print Name	Date
Co-Applicant/Resident	Print Name	Date
Other Adult Household Member	Print Name	Date
	MAY NOT BE USED TO REQUEST NEEDED, IRS FORM 4506, "REQUI DISIGNED SEPARATELY.	

WARNING: It is unlawful to provide false information to the government when applying for federal public benefit programs per Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.



CoC Client File Checklist

✓ or N/A	Required Documents in Client File	Comments (i.e. date placed in client file, etc.)
	Client intake information	
	Client application	
	Homeless Eligibility verification (3 rd party, intake worker, self-	
	certification)	
	Disability Eligibility verification	
	Income Verifications	
	Zero income if household reporting no income	
	Employment	
	Informal support Child support	
	Benefits/pension	
	Assets	
	Banking (checking, savings, etc.)	
	Expense Verifications	
	Medical expenses	
	Child Care expenses	
	Disability expenses	
	Income/Rent Calculation Worksheet	
	Utility Allowance Chart	
	Rent Reasonableness Comparison	
	Release of Confidential Information	
	KYHMIS Release of Information	
	HQS Inspection	
	Environmental Review	
	Client Service Plan	
	Client Lease Agreement with landlord	
	Client Occupancy Agreement with housing agency	
	Client Case Notes	
	Receipt of Required Documents	
	Annual Recertification	
	Annual Assessment of Services	
	Income/Rent Calculation Worksheet	
	Utility Allowance Chart Rent Reasonableness Comparison	
	Rent Reasonableness Companison HQS Inspection	
	Authorization to Release and Consent	
	KYHMIS Release of Information	
	Client Renewal Lease Agreement with landlord	
	Client Occupancy Agreement with housing agency	

*5 year retention required by HUD on all grant files



Agency Name: West Sixth Client Services

Employee Name: Jimbo Jefferson

Date: 22-Dec-14

Category	Eligible Activity	Detail	Client(s)	Time Spent	Grant
HMIS	Data Entry	Entering new client information into HMIS	PQ	1	COC PH
HMIS	Data Entry	Entering client exit information into HMIS	BB	1	ESG
70.150000000000	Leasing	Completing rent reasonableness comparison for client	0		
Leasing	Administration	proposed unit	DM N	1	COC PH
AND THE PARTY OF T	er contemporarion and accommodate	Conducted budgeting and nutrition training session	01 B20	5.00	
Supportive Services	Life Skills	with 3 permanent housing clients	M, I L, RAC	1	COC PH
	Case	Securing services, assisting client with comple of			
Supportive Services	Management	KTAP application	DM	0.5	COC PH
Street Outreach	Engagement	Delivering meals and blankets to So ithto a trut city	JB, JH	1	ESG
Agency task	N/A	Covering phones	N/A	0.5	General
rievention Rapid	in a	60/10			
Rehousing	Case				
Stabilization	Management	Initial Evaluation	JD	1	ESG
Leave Time	Vacation	N/A	N/A	. 1	
	•		Total Hours		
		1 6	worked:	8	

Hours per source:

COC PH:	3.5	General:	0.5	Holiday:	
ESG:	3	CSBG:		Vacation	1
HOPWA:	720	Food Bank:		Sidk:	

Employee Signature:	Jimbo Jaffarson	Date:	12/22/2014
Supervisor Signature:	Amber Alebac	Date:	12/22/2014

Personnel Activity Reports

An acceptable PAR will meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Reflects an after-the-fact determination of the actual activity of the employee.
- ✓ Accounts for the total activity for which the employee is compensated (accounts for the full work day/ work week)
- ✓ Is signed by the employee and a responsible supervisory employee who has firsthand knowledge of the employee's activities
- ✓ Is completed and signed each pay period
- ✓ Is supported by records indicating the total number of hours worked each day
- ✓ If used for meeting match, is completed in the same manner as salaries and wages claimed for reimbursement from the grant
- ✓ Lists the category, the eligible activity, the total time spent on the activity, the grant the activity was conducted for, the client for whom the task was being conducted (if applicable) and adequate details describing the activity

PARS must be reflective of the actual time billed to the grant, therefore the hours reported on the PAR for the grant multiplied by the hourly rate of pay plus fringe should be the equivalent of funds requested from the grant.

Frequent mistakes made on PARS include the following:

- Not reporting the full work day
- Failure to designate the applicable grant
- Bundling clients and/or activities into unclearly designated categories
- Failure to identify an eligible client
- Reporting activities conducted for one funding source to a different funding source
- Designating an activity to an incorrect category
- Reporting holiday's and other paid time off in full for the same time reported as worked
- Not obtaining required signatures
- Not reporting and/or prorating holiday, vacation, or sick leave time

Employee Name: Jimbo Jefferson

Date: <u>24-Dec-13</u>

Date.	24-DEC-13	T .	T-		
Category	Eligible Activity	Detail	Client(s)	Time Spent	Grant
HMIS	Data Entry	Entering and exiting clients into HMIS	PQ,BB, BO	_1	#1 COC PH/ ESG
Leasing	Leasing Administration	Completing rent reasonableness comparison	#2	A.P.	COC PH
Supportive Services	Life Skills	#3 Budgeting and nutrition training session with 2 ESG dient and 3 COC clients	DOM, KL, RAC, PP,JC	1.5	#3 COC PH
Supportive Services	Case Management	Securing services, assisting client with completion of KTAP application	DM	1	COC PH
Street Outreach	#4 Shelter	Deliverin meals and blankets to Smithtown tent	JB, JH	2	ESG
Agency task	N/A CAN	Covering phones and front desk	N/A	1.5	#5 COC PH
Holiday	N/A	Christmas Eve Agency Holiday	N/A	#6 8	#7 ESG
			Total Hours worked:	9000	
Hours per source:	 #8				
COC PH:		General:		Holiday:	
ESG:		CSBG:		Annual:	
HOPWA:		Food Bank:		Sick:	

Signature: Jimbo Jefferson Date: #9
Signature: #10
Date: #10

Incorrect PAR Deficiencies

- 1. Data was entered in HMIS for 3 clients. There is no differentiation of which program each client was enrolled in, and two grants are listed in the grant space. With this method there is no way to determine how much time should be charged to each of the grants.
- 2. An eligible client is not identified.
- 3. A total of 5 clients (2 ESG and 3 COC) were provided a budgeting and nutrition training session. The entire training session was charged to COC PH.
- 4. Time is labeled under an incorrect budget category (street outreach labeled as shelter activity).
- 5. Time spent on general agency duties is designated to the COC grant.
- 6. Leave time is reported for hours also reported as worked.
- 7. Leave time is not prorated to all applicable funding sources, but rather reported to one funding source.
- 8. Hours per funding source are not totaled.
- 9. The PAR is not dated by the employee.
- 10. The supervisor did not sign or date the PAR.

Agency Name:					_		
Employee Name:							
Date:					_		
Category	Eligible Activity	Detail			Client(s)	Time Spent	Grant
L					Total Hours		
					worked:	0	
Hours per source:	T		ī	T	T	Ī	
						j	
Employee Signature	:		Date:				
Supervisor Signature	:		Date:				Rev.8/14

Required Agency Policies

Agencies utilizing CoC program funds are required to maintain written policies and procedures by which to consistently administer the CoC grant. The following individual agency policies and procedures must be established and maintained in the agency's program policies and procedures:

Required Policy	<u>CFR Reference</u>
 Termination of Assistance 	24 CFR 578.91
 Conflict of Interest 	24 CFR 578.95
 Grievance Policy 	24 CFR 966.50
 Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity 	24 CFR 578.93
 Notification of Rights to Fair Housing 	Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968
 Board Representation of Homeless Clients 	24 CFR 578.75
 Faith-based Activities 	24 CFR 578.87
 Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing 	24 CFR 578.93
 Other federal requirements 	24 CFR 578.99
 Procurement 	24 CFR Part 85 & Part 84
 Financial Policies and Procedures 	24 CFR Part 85 & Part 84
 Drug Free Work Place 	24 CFR Part 85 & Part 84
 Minority Business Enterprise/Women Business 	Enterprise 24 CFR Part 85 & Part 84
 VAWA Policies: Violence Against Women Rea in HUD Housing Programs, 24 CFR 5.2001 to VAWA. 	•

KHC Grant Agreement Reference

•	Conflict of Interest	Section 4.2.3
•	Personal Privacy Protection	Section 4.2.4
•	Equal Access Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	Section 4.2.5
•	Compliance with Federal Laws	Section 4.2.6
•	Program Compliance	Section 4.2.7
•	Limited English Proficiency	Section 6.1.10

CoC Application Guidelines

Application: The application for assistance may contain all the information needed on one form or on several forms (i.e. an application packet). It is at the discretion of the sub-recipient agency to determine if additional information is required by their agency's program guidelines in addition to the minimum information listed below.

Handwritten applications should be completed and signed by the applicant, in the applicant's own handwriting. If the client requests assistance with completion of the application it is permissible to assist them, however, this should be rare and should be noted at the top of the application. Electronic applications must be signed by the applicant.

Applicant information to request: At a minimum the following information should be obtained at the time the applicant applies for assistance. The sub recipient agency may require additional information based on the agency's administration of the COC program.

Client name, current address (if applicable), phone number (if applicable)

Social security number and identification for all household members (driver's license, social security cards, and/or birth certificates, etc.)

List all household members (including head of household) and dates of birth

Type of assistance being sought

Determination if other assistance is being received

Household income source and amount

Identify household out-of-pocket expenses, if charging rent or occupancy charge; e.g. child care expense, medical expense, etc.

Program required eligibility status; e.g. disability status

Reasonable accommodation needs if a disability exists

Agency additional screening procedures; e.g. criminal background, sex offender status; etc.

Client signature and date

Required HMIS information

Client conflict of interest questions

CoC Helpful Resources and Links

24 CFR Part 578 - CoC Interim Rule Federal Regulations: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=1&SID=9aad749cffb99f800dfa3f96d3057e4c&ty=HTML&h=L&r=PART&n=24y3.1.1.3.9

24 CFR 84.21 Financial Management Systems Required

Standards: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2012-title24-vol1/xml/CFR-2012-title24-vol1-sec84-21.xml

OMB Circulars – NOW 2 CFR 200: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=e9d04b6379450bca991cbebf947507e6&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML

Homeless Eligibility

Rule: https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/HEARTH_HomelessDefinition_finalRule.pd

CoC Information Page: https://www.hudexchange.info/coc/

CoC FAQs: https://www.hudexchange.info/coc/faqs/

24 CFR Part 582 - Shelter Plus Care Federal Regulations http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2012-title24-vol3-part582.pdf

HUD Fair Market Rents: http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/fmr.html

HUD System Performance Measures Introductory Guide and Additional Resources: https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/System-Performance-Measures-Introductory-Guide.pdf

HUD Exchange: https://www.Hudexchange.info

HUD HQS Inspection: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=52580.pdf

KHC Website: http://www.kyhousing.org/

Homeless and Support Services eGram

Subscription: http://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin?v=001nlnsvTYVCuBC3pBnUZ82o Y vFvQpOdvCxw0qc shzeHsWoYTC8Yt 9tvW3SoZT8YHADEMIOvwKTHwk-lxnuZGq%3D%3D

The Lead-Safe Housing

Rule: <a href="http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/healthy_homes/enforcement/learner-program_offices/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/healthy_homes/health

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Disclosure of information on lead based

paint: http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/library/enforcement/lesr_eng.pdf

Income and Rent Calculation: https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Notice-CPD-96-

03-Tenant-Rent-Calculations-Mckinney-Programs.pdf

24 CFR 5.609 Annual Income: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?rgn=div5&node=24:1.1.1.1.5

24 CFR 5.611 Adjusted Income: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?rgn=div5&node=24:1.1.1.1.5

VAWA Implementation Rule: https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/11/16/2016-25888/violence-against-women-reauthorization-act-of-2013-implementation-in-hud-housing-programs

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- HOME Single Family Production
- AHTF Single Family Production
- GAP Single Family Production
- HouseWorks Single Family Repairs
- HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (HOME TBRA)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Continuum of Care (COC)

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Please contact a KHC technical assistance representative at the <u>Housing Contract Administration (HCA)</u> <u>Help Desk</u> if you have questions or need additional assistance.

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Section I - Conflict of Interest Policy

Kentucky Housing Corporation Conflict of Interest Policy: All recipients are responsible for identifying situations in which a conflict of interest, whether real or perceived, may exist. If a conflict of interest is identified, the agency must request an exemption. Applicants must disclose all real, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest to KHC, regarding the receipt of, assistance provided with, or expenditure of KHC funds. All conflicts of interest must be disclosed and resolved prior to providing KHC assistance.

Types of Conflict of Interest transactions: This list is not all-inclusive.

- Non-Procurement Conflict of Interest transactions: In general, all HUD Community Planning
 and Development Program regulations (HOME, ESG, COC, & HOPWA) prohibit grant-assisted
 activity benefiting subrecipient agency employees, board members, or relatives of employees
 and board members.
- **Procurement Conflict of Interest transactions:** In general, 2-CFR 200 prohibits procurement of goods or services from organizations with an organizational or individual conflict of interest.
- **Kentucky Non-Profit Conflict of Interest Transaction:** KRS 273.219 (1) A conflict of interest transaction is a transaction with the nonprofit corporation in which a director of such corporation has a direct or indirect interest...(2) For the purposes of this section, a director of a nonprofit corporation shall be considered to have an indirect interest in a transaction if: (a) Another entity in which he has a material financial interest or in which he is a general partner is a party to the transaction; or (b) Another entity of which he is a director, officer, or trustee is a party to the transaction and the transaction is or should be considered by the board of directors of the corporation.

Due Diligence Documentation: The recipient agency should obtain and maintain evidence that the following groups have been asked to identify potential conflicts of interests:

- Employees/volunteers Employees and volunteers should be asked if they are:
 - o Related to applicants and/or clients
 - o Related to contractors, vendors, and landlords
- Board members Board members should be asked if they are:
 - o Related to applicants and/or clients
 - o Related to contractors, vendors, and landlords
- Contractors/Vendors (including landlords) Contractors, vendors, and landlords should be asked if they are:
 - Related to employees and/or board members
 - Related to the applicant and/or client being assisted*
- Applicants/Clients Applicants and clients should be asked if they are:
 - o An employee or related to an employee
 - o A board member or related to a board member

Section II - Conflict of Interest Procedures

Step 1: Determine if a potential conflict of interest exist

Potential conflicts of interest may arise from many situations. Use the decision tree located at the end of this publication to determine if the situation is or has the appearance of a potential conflict of interest. Some common examples of potential conflicts of interest are, but not limited to:

- A client presents for assistance and/or services and this client is related to someone who works at the agency or who is a board member of the agency
- A vendor or contractor hired by the agency is related to someone who works at the agency or who is a board member of the agency
- A landlord for an assisted unit is related to someone who works at the agency or who is a board member of the agency
- A board member works for a company that has been hired to perform work for the agency
- A landlord for an assisted unit is related to the client being assisted*
- An affiliated, subsidiary, or related agency is receiving or being paid with grant funds for a product or service
- A volunteer or employee at the agency applies for assistance
- A family member of a volunteer or employee applies for assistance
- A vendor or contractor used by the agency for grant related expenditures is asked to donate money, goods, or services to an agency fund-raising event

It is the subrecipient agency's responsibility to identify, disclose, and document potential conflicts of interest. Not doing so can result in findings; frozen, forfeiture or repayment of funds; suspension, debarment, and potential prosecution. Conflicts of interest are situations and not allegations. Even the appearance of a conflict is a potential conflict of interest. If you have questions on whether something constitutes a conflict of interest, you must contact KHC prior to the transaction.

Step 2: Notify KHC

Send written communication through the <u>HCA Helpdesk</u> indicating you have a potential conflict of interest. A technical assistance representative will assist you through the rest of the process.

Step 3: Complete & submit a waiver request

Your technical assistance representative will email you a link to access the Online Project Modification/Waiver Request form. You will complete the form and attach/upload the following documents and then submit the request:

- A. A written narrative that includes specific information about the potential conflict of interest transaction and any information you have relevant to whether it is, or is not an actual conflict of interest.
- B. A letter from the agency's legal counsel stating that there are no laws, statutes, or local ordinances which would be violated, should an exception be granted.
- C. Evidence of public disclosure of the potential conflict of interest. Example: A copy of the newspaper advertisement with the dates of publication, or a copy of minutes from a board of director's meeting (that is open to the public) in which the potential conflict of interest was disclosed and discussed.

PLEASE NOTE: Submission of a waiver request does not authorize a subrecipient agency to engage in any activity related to the transaction that involves the potential conflict of interest. A waiver or exception is not granted until the subrecipient agency receives such determination in writing.

Step 4: Decision

Upon receipt of the waiver request documentation, KHC will submit the request to the federal agency (e.g. HUD) for consideration, except when the conflict involves state funds, in which case, KHC legal counsel will consider those requests. With federal funding, the federal agency determines whether the threshold requirements are met and whether the circumstances fall within the exception criteria permitted by the regulations. KHC and/or the federal agency may request additional information, if necessary. The subrecipient agency will receive a decision in writing. Until the written decision is received, the subrecipient agency is not authorized to engage in any activity related to the transaction.

^{*} HOPWA allows for a possible exception to the potential conflict of interest created between a landlord and the assisted client by means of a "reasonable accommodation." For more information please see the <u>HOPWA rule</u>.

Section III - Resources

Conflict of Interest Definitions

Employee: For the purpose of conflict of interest, the term employee includes both paid and unpaid (volunteers), as well as those persons paid on a contract basis, and those persons acting as agent or consultant.

Exception: The mechanism by which HUD waives the conflict of interest provisions.

Family ties (i.e., what does "related to" encompass?): The spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, including steps, and in-laws; and any person cohabitating with a covered person, as well as any immediate family member related by blood, marriage, or adoption, but not distant relations such as cousins, aunts, uncles, who do not reside with the covered person.

Example # 1: A cousin living with the covered person <u>is</u> a potential conflict. A cousin not living with the covered person would <u>not</u> be a potential conflict.

Example # 2: A brother or step-brother living with the covered person <u>is</u> a potential conflict. A brother or step-brother not living with the covered person <u>is still</u> a potential conflict.

Individual Conflict of Interest: An employee, agent, consultant, officer, elected official, or appointed official of the sub-grantee or subrecipient:

- 1. Who exercises or has exercised any function, or responsibility with respect to activities assisted under the funded program, *or*
- 2. Who is in a position to participate in a decision making process, or
- Who gains inside information with regard to activities assisted under the program...

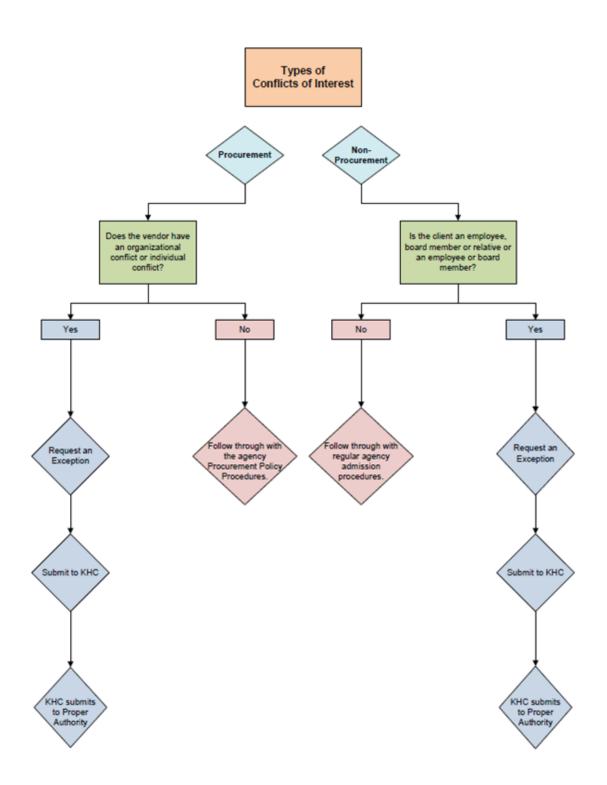
...For either him or herself, or for those with whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure or during the one-year period following his or her tenure.

Non-Procurement: Transactions that do not involve the procurement of goods, or services.

Organizational Conflict of Interest: Because of relationships with a parent company, affiliate, or subsidiary organization, the recipient/subrecipient entity is unable or appears to be unable to be impartial in conducting a procurement action involving a related organization.

Procurement: Procurement is the process of obtaining any property (purchase or lease), supplies, equipment or services. Some common services include employment, construction, engineering or architecture services, legal services, accounting services, etc.

Vendor: Any person or company you purchase goods or services from, including goods or services purchased on behalf of clients. Some examples are: a building contractor, a landlord, an office supply store, a consultant, a Certified Public Accountant, etc.



Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Overview

The documents in this category provide links, guidance, and instruction to assist agencies in meeting the Kentucky Homeless Management Information System (KYHMIS) requirements.

- KYHMIS Privacy Notice
- Release of Information
- KYHMIS Participation Agreement
- CoC Data Collection Forms
- KYHMIS Agency-Related Forms
- KYHMIS Training Videos