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Moving to Work (MTW) Program Participant Meeting

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What is the MTW Program?

- Ability to modify our housing programs to better benefit our local community
- Three objectives:
 - Reduce cost
 - Encourage self-sufficiency through job training, education programs, etc.
 - Increase housing choices





Timeframe

- Application due to HUD: January 8, 2021
- Housing Authorities selected: 2021-2022
- Once the Housing Authorities are selected:
 - 6-12 months to prepare
 - 1 year enrollment period
 - 6 years for the study on rent calculations

Eligible Households for Tenant Rent Portion Calculation Changes

- Public Housing and HCV Programs
- Current and new participants
- Randomly assigned by lottery to one of two groups:
 - Control group (calculated by current method)
 - Treatment group (calculated by income tiers)



Eligible Households Continued...

- Excluded from the new tenant rent portion calculation:
 - Elderly/disabled households
 - "Elderly" will include aged 56 or older at the time of enrollment
 - Special Purpose Vouchers
 - Such as FUP, Homeownership, Mainstream, MOD, VASH, etc.
 - Households paying public housing flat rent
 - Current FSS participants

Income Tiers for Rent Calculation

- Groups households by income into "tiers"
- Within each tier, all households will pay the same tenant rent portion
- Income recertifications will happen every three years





Tiered Rent Table

Tier	Tier Income Minimum	Tier Income Maximum	Tiered Rent
1	\$0	\$2,499	\$50
2	\$2,500	\$4,999	\$94
3	\$5,000	\$7,499	\$156
4	\$7,500	\$9,999	\$219
5	\$10,000	\$12,499	\$281
6	\$12,500	\$14,999	\$344
7	\$15,000	\$17,499	\$406
8	\$17,500	\$19,999	\$469
9	\$20,000	\$22,499	\$531
10	\$22,500	\$24,999	\$594
11	\$25,000	\$27,499	\$656
12	\$27,500	\$29,999	\$719

Tier	Tier Income Minimum	Tier Income Maximum	Tiered Rent
13	\$30,000	\$32,499	\$781
14	\$32,500	\$34,999	\$844
15	\$35,000	\$37,499	\$906
16	\$37,500	\$39,999	\$969
17	\$40,000	\$42,499	\$1,031
18	\$42,500	\$44,999	\$1,094
19	\$45,000	\$47,499	\$1,156
20	\$47,500	\$49,999	\$1,219
21	\$50,000	\$52,499	\$1,281
22	\$52,500	\$54,999	\$1,344
23	\$55,000	\$57,499	\$1,406

The "Tiered Rent" will be reduced by the cost of any utilities you are responsible for (your utility allowance)

Benefits to Income Tiers

- If your income increases within the tier:
 - Your family's share of rent will not increase
- If your income increases into a higher income tier:
 - Your family's share of rent will not change until the triennial income recertification
- Income recertifications will happen every three years rather than every year



What if my Income Decreases?

• Hardships

- 1-12 months
- Can be renewed
- Income drops into a lower tier
- Other unexpected circumstances: major increase in costs from a medical bill, a death in the family, etc.
- Example
 - My income is \$24,000
 - Tier 10, my portion is \$524
 - My hours get cut at work and my income is now \$18,500
 - Tier 8, my portion is \$469
 - I will stay at Tier 8 (\$469) until my hardship is over, then I will return to Tier 10 (\$524)



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Questions?

Thank You!

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