

*PHA Plans for the
Housing Authority of
Starr County*

5 Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2001 - 2004
Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2001

**NOTE: THIS PHA PLANS TEMPLATE (HUD 50075) IS TO BE COMPLETED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS LOCATED IN APPLICABLE PIH NOTICES**

**PHA Plan
Agency Identification**

PHA Name: *Housing Authority of Starr County*

PHA Number: *TX396*

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: (mm/yyyy) *07/2001*

Public Access to Information

Information regarding any activities outlined in this plan can be obtained by contacting: (select all that apply)

- Main administrative office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- PHA local offices

Display Locations For PHA Plans and Supporting Documents

The PHA Plans (including attachments) are available for public inspection at: (select all that apply)

- Main administrative office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- PHA local offices
- Main administrative office of the local government
- Main administrative office of the County government
- Main administrative office of the State government
- Public library
- PHA website
- Other (list below)

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at: (select all that apply)

- Main business office of the PHA
- PHA development management offices
- Other (list below)

5-YEAR PLAN
PHA FISCAL YEARS 2001 - 2004
[24 CFR Part 903.5]

A. Mission

State the PHA's mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low income, and extremely low-income families in the PHA's jurisdiction. (select one of the choices below)

- The mission of the PHA is the same as that of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: To promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.
- The PHA's mission is: (state mission here)

The Housing Authority's mission is to serve the needs of low-income, very low-income and extremely low-income families in the PHA's jurisdiction and to (1) increase the availability of decent, safe and affordable housing in its communities; (2) ensure equal opportunity in housing; (3) promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals; and (4) improve community quality of life and economic viability; and to enable improvement of the physical conditions of housing developments; to continually upgrade the management and operations of the public housing agency, while developing and enhancing a stronger, healthier and viable economic initiative-related to low-income housing assistance; and to include any other housing opportunities available to public housing or assisted residents.

Progress Statement: *As of February 2, 2001, the PHA's Troubled Status has been removed. PHA will continue to strive for increasing PHAS score by 5% annually and will strive to continue to maintain a passing SEMAP score.*

B. Goals

The goals and objectives listed below are derived from HUD's strategic Goals and Objectives and those emphasized in recent legislation. PHAs may select any of these goals and objectives as their own, or identify other goals and/or objectives. Whether selecting the HUD-suggested objectives or their own, **PHAS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES OF SUCCESS IN REACHING THEIR OBJECTIVES OVER THE COURSE OF THE 5 YEARS.** (Quantifiable measures would include targets such as: numbers of families served or PHAS scores achieved.) PHAs should identify these measures in the spaces to the right of or below the stated objectives.

HUD Strategic Goal: Increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing.

- PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing
Objectives:
- Apply for additional rental vouchers: **When NOFA's are published**
- Reduce public housing vacancies:

- Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing opportunities: **Will apply for HUD grants and other private funding when Troubled Status is removed, to enable PHA to build between 70 and 150 units by end of year 2004.**
- Acquire or build units or developments: **Build between 70 and 150 units by the end of the year 2004. Changed date to 2005**
- Other (list below)

Progress Statement: PHA has applied for 60 additional vouchers, but has not received a response. As of February 2, 2001, this PHA's Troubled Status has been removed.

- PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing
Objectives:
 - Improve public housing management: (PHAS score)
Increase score by .5% annually
 - Improve voucher management: (SEMAP score)
Maintain passing score
 - Increase customer satisfaction: **On-going, PHA will conduct resident meetings as needed to gather input on problems within communities.**
 - Concentrate on efforts to improve specific management functions: (list; e.g., public housing finance; voucher unit inspections)
Install/upgrade software packages by 2001, Staff and commissioner training on regulations as needed.
 - Renovate or modernize public housing units: **on-going modernization/repairs are warranted.**
 - Demolish or dispose of obsolete public housing:
 - Provide replacement public housing:
 - Provide replacement vouchers:
 - Other: (list below)

Progress Statement: PHA will continue to:

- *strive for increasing PHAS score by 5% annually:*
- *strive to continue to maintain a passing SEMAP score.*
- *conduct resident meetings, as needed*
- *strive to install and upgrade/update software*
- *do on-going modernization/repairs of units, as warranted*

- PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices
Objectives:
 - Provide voucher mobility counseling: **For new and current participants with each briefing and unit transfer.**
 - Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords **on-going. changed**
 - Increase voucher payment standards, **as needed**
 - Implement voucher homeownership program: **changed**
 - Implement public housing or other homeownership programs: **changed**

- Implement public housing site-based waiting lists:
- Convert public housing to vouchers:
- Other: (list below)

Progress Statement: *During FY 2000, the provided mobility counseling, conducted outreach to potential voucher landlords and will increase payment standards as needed. These will be on-going activities.*

HUD Strategic Goal: Improve community quality of life and economic vitality

- PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment
 - Objectives:
 - Implement measures to deconcentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments: **On-going, through Tenant Selection process.**
 - Implement measures to promote income mixing in public housing by assuring access for lower income families into higher income developments: **On-going, through Tenant Selection process.**
 - Implement public housing security improvements: **Pending funding from PHDEP, by 2001 PHA will begin to implement security measures within communities.**
 - Designate developments or buildings for particular resident groups (elderly, persons with disabilities)
 - Other: (list below)
Make PHDEP application for FY2001.

Progress Statement: *During FY 2000, the PHA was successful in achieve these objectives. They will be on-going activities. PHA did not receive PHDEP funding during FY 2000.*

HUD Strategic Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals

- PHA Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households
 - Objectives:
 - Increase the number and percentage of employed persons in assisted families:
 - Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability: **By 12-1-01, attract supportive service classes. changed**
 - Provide or attract supportive services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities.
 - Other: (list below)

Progress Statement: *The PHA will continue to attract supportive services.*

HUD Strategic Goal: Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for all Americans

- PHA Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing
Objectives:
- Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability: **Ongoing; contact advocated for people with disabilities**
 - Undertake affirmative measures to provide a suitable living environment for families living in assisted housing, regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability: **Through expansion**
 - Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all varieties of disabilities regardless of unit size required: **On-going**
 - Other: (list below)

Progress Statement: During FY 2000, the PHA was successful in achieving these goals. They will continue on an on-going basis and strive for more.

Other PHA Goals and Objectives: (list below)

Graduate from troubled performer status by 6/30/01.

- **Dedicate all PHA streets to Starr County - pending**
- **Postpone physical inventory General Ledger. - completed**
- **Complete cash reserves tasks on Recovery/MOA Plan - completed**

Annual PHA Plan
PHA Fiscal Year 2001
[24 CFR Part 903.7]

i. Annual Plan Type:

Select which type of Annual Plan the PHA will submit.

Standard Plan

Streamlined Plan:

- High Performing PHA**
- Small Agency (<250 Public Housing Units)**
- Administering Section 8 Only**

Troubled Agency Plan

ii. Executive Summary of the Annual PHA Plan

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a brief overview of the information in the Annual Plan, including highlights of major initiatives and discretionary policies the PHA has included in the Annual Plan.

The Housing Authority of Starr County, TX has prepared this Annual PHA Plan in compliance with Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and the ensuing HUD requirements.

The purpose of the Annual Plan is to provide a framework for local accountability and an easily identifiable source by which public housing residents, participants in the tenant-based assistance program and other members of the public may locate basic PHA policies, rules and requirements related to the operations, programs and services of the agency.

The Mission Statement and the Goals and Objectives were based on information contained in our jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan and will assure that our residents will receive the best customer service.

Excellent customer service and fulfillment of the Mission Statement and Goals and Objectives is ensured by implementation of a series of policies that are on display with this Plan. The Admissions and Occupancy Policy and Section 8 Administrative Plan are the two primary policies on display. These important documents cover the public housing tenant selection and assignment plan, outreach services, PHA's responsibility to Section 8 owners/landlords, grievance procedures, etc.

The most important challenges to be met by the Housing Authority of Starr County, TX during the FY beginning July 1, 2001:

- Establish partnerships and strategy to increase Public Housing.
- Preserve and improve the public housing stock through the Capital Funds activities, including modernization of several units;
- Involve the public housing residents and the Section 8 participants through the Annual Plan Resident Advisory Board.
- Train staff and commissioners to fully understand and take advantage of opportunities in the new law and regulations to better serve our residents and the community;
- Maintain passing PHMAP/PHAS score; and
- Maintain passing SEMAP score.

In closing, this Annual PHA Plan exemplifies the commitment of the Housing Authority of Starr County, TX to meet the housing needs of the full range of low-income residents. The Housing Authority, in partnership with agencies from all levels of government, the business community, non-profit community groups, and residents will use this plan as a road map to reach the “higher quality of life” destination.

iii. Annual Plan Table of Contents

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a table of contents for the Annual Plan, including attachments, and a list of supporting documents available for public inspection.

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Indicate which attachments are provided by selecting all that apply. Provide the attachment's name (A, B, etc.) in the space to the left of the name of the attachment. Note: If the attachment is provided as a **SEPARATE** file submission from the PHA Plans file, provide the file name in parentheses in the space to the right of the title.

Required Attachments:

- Admissions Policy for Deconcentration (**TX396a04**)
- FY 2001 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement (**TX396b04**)
- Most recent board-approved operating budget (Required Attachment for PHAs that are troubled or at risk of being designated troubled ONLY)

Optional Attachments:

- PHA Management Organizational Chart
- FY 2001 Capital Fund Program 5 Year Action Plan (**TX396c04**)
- Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) Plan
- Comments of Resident Advisory Board or Boards (must be attached if not included in PHA Plan text)
- Other (List below, providing each attachment name)
 - Substantial Deviation and Significant Amendment or Modification (**TX396d04**)
 - Community Service Policy (**TX396e04**)
 - Pet Policy – families (**TX396f04**)
 - Pet Policy – elderly/disabled (**TX396g04**)
 - Resident Membership on PHA Board of Governing Body (**TX396h04**)
 - Membership of Resident Advisory Board or Boards (**TX396i04**)
 - Summary of Policy or Program Changes for the Upcoming Year (**TX396j04**)
 - Annual Statement/P&E Report (**TX396k04**)

Supporting Documents Available for Review

Indicate which documents are available for public review by placing a mark in the “Applicable & On Display” column in the appropriate rows. All listed documents must be on display if applicable to the program activities conducted by the PHA.

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
X	PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Fair Housing Documentation: Records reflecting that the PHA has examined its programs or proposed programs, identified any impediments to fair housing choice in those programs, addressed or is addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available, and worked or is working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdictions’ initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA’s involvement.	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction/s in which the PHA is located (which includes the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI)) and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs in the jurisdiction	Annual Plan: Housing Needs
X	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources;
X	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP]	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
N/A	Public Housing Deconcentration and Income Mixing Documentation: 1. PHA board certifications of compliance with deconcentration requirements (section 16(a) of the US Housing Act of 1937, as implemented in the 2/18/99 <i>Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act Initial Guidance; Notice</i> and any further HUD guidance) and 2. Documentation of the required deconcentration and income mixing analysis	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Public housing rent determination policies, including the methodology for setting public housing flat rents <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing	Annual Plan: Rent Determination

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
Applicable & On Display	Supporting Document	Applicable Plan Component
	A & O Policy	
X	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Public housing management and maintenance policy documents, including policies for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (including cockroach infestation)	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
X	Public housing grievance procedures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	The HUD-approved Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement (HUD 52837) for the active grant year	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
N/A	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grant	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
X	Most recent, approved 5 Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program, if not included as an attachment (provided at PHA option)	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
N/A	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans or any other approved proposal for development of public housing	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
N/A	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
N/A	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans)	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing
N/A	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act	Annual Plan: Conversion of Public Housing
N/A	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans	Annual Plan: Homeownership
N/A	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program <input type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Homeownership
X	Any cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
N/A	FSS Action Plan/s for public housing and/or Section 8	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
N/A	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other resident services grant) grant program reports	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
N/A	The most recent Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) semi-annual performance report for any open grant and most recently submitted PHDEP application (PHDEP Plan)	Annual Plan: Safety and Crime Prevention

List of Supporting Documents Available for Review		
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<i>X</i>	The most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), the results of that audit and the PHA's response to any findings	Annual Plan: Annual Audit
<i>N/A</i>	Troubled PHAs: MOA/Recovery Plan	Troubled PHAs
	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	(specify as needed)

1. Statement of Housing Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (a)]

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

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

Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction by Family Type							
Family Type	Overall	Afford-ability	Supply	Quality	Access-ibility	Size	Loca-tion
Income <= 30% of AMI	1095	3	4	3	3	3	3
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	447	3	4	3	3	3	3
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	271	3	4	3	3	3	3
Elderly	152	3	4	3	3	3	3
Families with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic	1476	3	4	3	3	3	3
Caucasian	1476	3	4	3	3	3	3

What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

- Consolidated Plan of the Jurisdiction/s
Indicate year:
- U.S. Census data: the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy ("CHAS") dataset
- American Housing Survey data
Indicate year:
- Other housing market study
Indicate year:
- Other sources: (list and indicate year of information)

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

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

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List			
Waiting list type: (select one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 8 tenant-based assistance			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Housing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Combined Section 8 and Public Housing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)			
If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction:			
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	115		9
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	115	100%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	0	0	
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	0	0	
Families with children	109	98%	
Elderly families	2	2%	
Families with Disabilities	0	0	
Caucasian	0	0	
Black	0	0	
Hispanic	115	100%	
Other			
Characteristics by Bedroom Size (Public Housing Only)			
1BR	2	2	0
2 BR	2	2	1
3 BR	111	96	8
4 BR	0	0	0
5 BR	0	0	0

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List			
5+ BR	0	0	0
Is the waiting list closed (select one)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
If yes:			
How long has it been closed (# of months)?			
Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			

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Families with Disabilities	0	0	
Caucasian	0	0	
Black	0	0	
Hispanic	115	100%	
Race/ethnicity	0	0	
Characteristics by Bedroom Size (Public Housing Only)			
1BR	N/A	N/A	N/A

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List			
2 BR	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 BR	N/A	N/A	N/A
4 BR	N/A	N/A	N/A
5 BR	N/A	N/A	N/A
5+ BR	N/A	N/A	N/A
Is the waiting list closed (select one)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes: How long has it been closed (# of months)? Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			

C. Strategy for Addressing Needs

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

(1) Strategies

Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations

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

Select all that apply

- Employ effective maintenance and management policies to minimize the number of public housing units off-line
- Reduce turnover time for vacated public housing units
- Reduce time to renovate public housing units
- Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance development
- Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8 replacement housing resources
- Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction
- Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required
- Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration
- Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program
- Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies.

Other (list below)

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

Select all that apply

- Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available
- Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of mixed - finance housing **if appropriate.**
- Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based assistance **if appropriate.**
- Other: (list below) **Building 70-150 units by end of FY 2005. *changed***

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

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

Select all that apply n/a

- Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing
- Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in tenant-based section 8 assistance
- Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships
- Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- Other: (list below)

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

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

Select all that apply n/a

- Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working
- Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- Other: (list below)

Need: Specific Family Types: The Elderly

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:

Select all that apply N/A

- Seek designation of public housing for the elderly
- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available
- Other: (list below)

Need: Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities

Strategy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:

Select all that apply N/A

- Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities
- Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504 Needs Assessment for Public Housing
- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they become available
- Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities
- Other: (list below)

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

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

Select if applicable - N/A

- Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate housing needs
- Other: (list below)

Strategy 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing

Select all that apply

- Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units
- Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations
- Other: (list below)

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

(2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies

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

- Funding constraints
- Staffing constraints
- Limited availability of sites for assisted housing
- Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community
- Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other information available to the PHA
- Influence of the housing market on PHA programs
- Community priorities regarding housing assistance
- Results of consultation with local or state government
- Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board
- Results of consultation with advocacy groups
- Other: (list below)

2. Statement of Financial Resources

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)]

List the financial resources that are anticipated to be available to the PHA for the support of Federal public housing and tenant-based Section 8 assistance programs administered by the PHA during the Plan year. Note: the table assumes that Federal public housing or tenant based Section 8 assistance grant funds are expended on eligible purposes; therefore, uses of these funds need not be stated. For other funds, indicate the use for those funds as one of the following categories: public housing operations, public housing capital improvements, public housing safety/security, public housing supportive services, Section 8 tenant-based assistance, Section 8 supportive services or other.

Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses		
Sources	Planned \$	Planned Uses
1. Federal Grants (FY 2001 grants)		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund		
b) Public Housing Capital Fund	173,708.00	
c) HOPE VI Revitalization		
d) HOPE VI Demolition		
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	457,308.00	
f) Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (including any Technical Assistance funds)		
g) Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Grants		
h) Community Development Block Grant		
i) HOME		
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)		
<i>Modernization funds (1999) TX59P93690699</i>	163,288.00	<i>Public housing capital fund improvements</i>
<i>Capital Funds (2000) TX59P39650100</i>	170,273.00	<i>Public housing capital fund improvements</i>
Sub-total	964,577.00	
3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income	60,000.00	<i>Public housing operations</i>
4. Other income (list below)	3,700.00	<i>Public housing operations</i>
<i>Interest on General Funds Investments: 2,100.00</i>		
<i>Miscellaneous, late fees, maintenance fees 1,500.00</i>		
<i>To tenants, NSF check charges, etc.</i>		
<i>Non-dwelling rental 100.00</i>		
4. Non-federal sources (list below)		
Sub-total	63,700.00	
Total resources	1,028,277.00	

3. PHA Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (c)]

A. Public Housing

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete subcomponent 3A.

(1) Eligibility

a. When does the PHA verify eligibility for admission to public housing? (select all that apply)

- When families are within a certain number of being offered a unit: (state number)
- When families are within a certain time of being offered a unit: (state time)
- Other: (describe) **When name reached on list.**

b. Which non-income (screening) factors does the PHA use to establish eligibility for admission to public housing (select all that apply)?

- Criminal or Drug-related activity
- Rental history, **if appropriate, implemented for all adult applicants**
- Housekeeping
- Other (describe) **Sex Offender Registry, Credit Check, Citizenship**

c. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

d. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

e. Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)

(2) Waiting List Organization

a. Which methods does the PHA plan to use to organize its public housing waiting list (select all that apply)

- Community-wide list
- Sub-jurisdictional lists
- Site-based waiting lists
- Other (describe)

b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?

- PHA main administrative office
- PHA development site management office
- Other (list below)

c. If the PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, answer each of the following questions; if not, skip to subsection **(3) Assignment**

The PHA will not operate site-based waiting lists.

1. How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year?**0**
2. Yes No: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously-HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)? *n/a*
If yes, how many lists?
3. Yes No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously? *n/a*
If yes, how many lists?
4. Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)? *n/a*
 - PHA main administrative office
 - All PHA development management offices
 - Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists
 - At the development to which they would like to apply
 - Other (list below)

(3) Assignment

a. How many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are removed from the waiting list? (select one)

- One
- Two
- Three or More

b. Yes No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?

c. If answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA: *n/a*

(4) Admissions Preferences

a. Income targeting:

- Yes No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% of all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Transfer policies:

In what circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below)

- Emergencies

- Overhoused
- Underhoused
- Medical justification
- Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)
- Resident choice: (state circumstances below)
- Other: (list below)

c. Preferences

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public housing (other than date and time of application)? (If “no” is selected, skip to subsection **(5) Occupancy**)

2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences) **n/a**

Former Federal preferences: **n/a**

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing
- Homelessness
- High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)

Other preferences: (select below) **n/a**

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans’ families
- Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) (list below)

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a “1” in the space that represents your first priority, a “2” in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use “1” more than once, “2” more than once, etc.

1 Date and Time

Former Federal preferences: **n/a**

Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
Victims of domestic violence
Substandard housing
Homelessness
High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply) **n/a**

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans' families
- Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) (list below)

4. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements:

- The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
- Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

(5) Occupancy

a. What reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the rules of occupancy of public housing (select all that apply)

- The PHA-resident lease
- The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy
- PHA briefing seminars or written materials
- Other source (list)

b. How often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition? (select all that apply)

- At an annual reexamination and lease renewal
- Any time family composition changes
- At family request for revision
- Other (list) **Within 10 days of change**

(6) Deconcentration and Income Mixing

a. Yes No: Did the PHA’s analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the need for measures to promote deconcentration of poverty or income mixing?

b. Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its **admissions policies** based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote deconcentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?

c. If the answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (select all that apply) *n/a*

Adoption of site based waiting lists
If selected, list targeted developments below:

Employing waiting list “skipping” to achieve deconcentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments
If selected, list targeted developments below:

Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments
If selected, list targeted developments below:

Other (list policies and developments targeted below)

d. Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to **other** policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need for deconcentration of poverty and income mixing?

e. If the answer to d was yes, how would you describe these changes? (select all that apply) *n/a*

- Additional affirmative marketing
- Actions to improve the marketability of certain developments
- Adoption or adjustment of ceiling rents for certain developments
- Adoption of rent incentives to encourage deconcentration of poverty and income-mixing
- Other (list below)

f. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to attract or retain higher-income families? (select all that apply)

Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts

List (any applicable) developments below:

g. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to assure access for lower-income families? (select all that apply)

- Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts
 List (any applicable) developments below:

B. Section 8

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete sub-component 3B. **Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).**

(1) Eligibility

- a. What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply)
- Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation
 Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or regulation
 More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors below)
 Other (list below)
- b. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- c. Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- d. Yes No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
- e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply)
- Criminal or drug-related activity
 Other (describe below) **Current and previous landlord name and address**

(2) Waiting List Organization

- a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting list merged? (select all that apply)
- None
 Federal public housing
 Federal moderate rehabilitation
 Federal project-based certificate program
 Other federal or local program (list below)

b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (select all that apply)

- PHA main administrative office
 Other (list below)

(3) Search Time

a. Yes No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit? **Extensions usually not needed.**

If yes, state circumstances below: **Verification of previous attempts to find a unit has not been successful**

(4) Admissions Preferences

a. Income targeting

Yes No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Preferences

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent **(5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs**)

2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences) **N/A**

Former Federal preferences **n/a**

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
 Victims of domestic violence
 Substandard housing
 Homelessness
 High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)

Other preferences (select all that apply) **n/a**

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
 Veterans and veterans' families
 Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
 Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
 Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
 Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)

- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) (list below)

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a “1” in the space that represents your first priority, a “2” in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use “1” more than once, “2” more than once, etc.

1 Date and Time

Former Federal preferences n/a

- Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- Victims of domestic violence
- Substandard housing
- Homelessness
- High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply) n/a

- Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- Veterans and veterans’ families
- Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- Other preference(s) (list below)

4. Among applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants selected? (select one)

- Date and time of application
- Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique

5. If the PHA plans to employ preferences for “residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction” (select one) **N/A**

- This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD
- The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan

6. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one)

- The PHA applies preferences within income tiers

- Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

(5) Special Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs

a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility, selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the PHA contained? (select all that apply)

- The Section 8 Administrative Plan
 Briefing sessions and written materials
 Other (list below)

b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?

- Through published notices
 Other (list below)

4. PHA Rent Determination Policies

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (d)]

A. Public Housing

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete sub-component 4A.

(1) Income Based Rent Policies

Describe the PHA's income based rent setting policy/ies for public housing using, including discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income disregards and exclusions, in the appropriate spaces below.

a. Use of discretionary policies: (select one)

- The PHA will not employ any discretionary rent-setting policies for income based rent in public housing. Income-based rents are set at the higher of 30% of adjusted monthly income, 10% of unadjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or minimum rent (less HUD mandatory deductions and exclusions). (If selected, skip to sub-component (2))

---or---

- The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining income based rent (If selected, continue to question b.)

b. Minimum Rent

1. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- \$0
 \$1-\$25
 \$26-\$50

2. Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies?

3. If yes to question 2, list these policies below: **n/a**

c. Rents set at less than 30% than adjusted income

1. Yes No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fixed amount or percentage less than 30% of adjusted income?

2. If yes to above, list the amounts or percentages charged and the circumstances under which these will be used below: **n/a**

d. Which of the discretionary (optional) deductions and/or exclusions policies does the PHA plan to employ (select all that apply) **n/a**

- For the earned income of a previously unemployed household member
- For increases in earned income
- Fixed amount (other than general rent-setting policy)

If yes, state amount/s and circumstances below:

- Fixed percentage (other than general rent-setting policy)
If yes, state percentage/s and circumstances below:

- For household heads
- For other family members
- For transportation expenses
- For the non-reimbursed medical expenses of non-disabled or non-elderly families
- Other (describe below)

e. Ceiling rents

1. Do you have ceiling rents? (rents set at a level lower than 30% of adjusted income) (select one)

- Yes for all developments
- Yes but only for some developments
- No

2. For which kinds of developments are ceiling rents in place? (select all that apply)

N/A

- For all developments
- For all general occupancy developments (not elderly or disabled or elderly only)
- For specified general occupancy developments
- For certain parts of developments; e.g., the high-rise portion
- For certain size units; e.g., larger bedroom sizes
- Other (list below)

3. Select the space or spaces that best describe how you arrive at ceiling rents (select all that apply) **N/A**

- Market comparability study
- Fair market rents (FMR)
- 95th percentile rents
- 75 percent of operating costs
- 100 percent of operating costs for general occupancy (family) developments
- Operating costs plus debt service

- The "rental value" of the unit
- Other (list below)

f. Rent re-determinations:

1. Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or family composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent? (select all that apply)

- Never
- At family option
- Any time the family experiences an income increase
- Any time a family experiences an income increase above a threshold amount or percentage: (if selected, specify threshold) _____
- Other (list below) **All changes must be reported. The PHA will determine after verification if there will be an adjustment to rent.**

g. Yes No: Does the PHA plan to implement individual savings accounts for residents (ISAs) as an alternative to the required 12 month disallowance of earned income and phasing in of rent increases in the next year?

(2) Flat Rents

1. In setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use to establish comparability? (select all that apply.)

- The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing
- Survey of rents listed in local newspaper
- Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood
- Other (list/describe below)

B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer Section 8 tenant-based assistance are not required to complete sub-component 4B. **Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).**

(1) Payment Standards

Describe the voucher payment standards and policies.

a. What is the PHA's payment standard? (select the category that best describes your standard)

- At or above 90% but below 100% of FMR
- 100% of FMR
- Above 100% but at or below 110% of FMR
- Above 110% of FMR (if HUD approved; describe circumstances below)

b. If the payment standard is lower than FMR, why has the PHA selected this standard? (select all that apply)

- FMRs are adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
- The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment standard
- Reflects market or submarket
- Other (list below)

c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level? (select all that apply) **N/A**

- FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
- Reflects market or submarket
- To increase housing options for families
- Other (list below)

d. How often are payment standards reevaluated for adequacy? (select one)

- Annually
- Other (list below)

e. What factors will the PHA consider in its assessment of the adequacy of its payment standard? (select all that apply)

- Success rates of assisted families
- Rent burdens of assisted families
- Other (list below)

(2) Minimum Rent

a. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- \$0
- \$1-\$25
- \$26-\$50

b. Yes No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? (if yes, list below)

5. Operations and Management

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (e)]

Exemptions from Component 5: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this section. Section 8 only PHAs must complete parts A, B, and C(2)

A. PHA Management Structure

Describe the PHA's management structure and organization.

(select one)

- An organization chart showing the PHA's management structure and organization is attached.
- A brief description of the management structure and organization of the PHA follows: **Five staff reports directly to the Executive Director. An additional staff person the PHDEP Coordinator, may be added. This arrangement is appropriate for the size of this agency.**

B. HUD Programs Under PHA Management

List Federal programs administered by the PHA, number of families served at the beginning of the upcoming fiscal year, and expected turnover in each. (Use "NA" to indicate that the PHA does not operate any of the programs listed below.)

Program Name	Units or Families Served at Year Beginning	Expected Turnover
Public Housing	<i>78</i>	<i>6</i>
Section 8 Vouchers	<i>138</i>	<i>10</i>
Section 8 Certificates	<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>
Section 8 Mod Rehab	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Special Purpose Section 8 Certificates/Vouchers (list individually)	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP)	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>
Other Federal Programs(list individually)	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>

C. Management and Maintenance Policies

List the PHA's public housing management and maintenance policy documents, manuals and handbooks that contain the Agency's rules, standards, and policies that govern maintenance and management of public housing, including a description of any measures necessary for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (which includes cockroach infestation) and the policies governing Section 8 management.

(1) Public Housing Maintenance and Management: (list below)

- *Work Order System*
- *Pest Eradication Policy*
- *Maintenance Plan*
- *Uniform Inspection System*
- *Admissions and Occupancy Policy*
- *Fair Housing Policy*
- *Grievance Procedures*
- *Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan*
- *Community Service Plan*
- *Handicapped Policy*
- *Termination and Eviction*
- *Transfer and Transfer Waiting List*
- *Resident Initiative*
- *Section 3 Plan*
- *Pet Policy for Families*
- *Pet Policy for Elderly*

(2) Section 8 Management: (list below)

- *Section 8 Administrative Plan*
- *Section 8 and SEMAP Procedures*

6. PHA Grievance Procedures

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (f)]

Exemptions from component 6: High performing PHAs are not required to complete component 6. Section 8-Only PHAs are exempt from sub-component 6A.

A. Public Housing

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established any written grievance procedures in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR Part 966, Subpart B, for residents of public housing?

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

2. Which PHA office should residents or applicants to public housing contact to initiate the PHA grievance process? (select all that apply)

- PHA main administrative office
 PHA development management offices
 Other (list below)

B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance

1. Yes No: Has the PHA established informal review procedures for applicants to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program and informal hearing procedures for families assisted by the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR 982?

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

2. Which PHA office should applicants or assisted families contact to initiate the informal review and informal hearing processes? (select all that apply)

- PHA main administrative office
 Other (list below)

7. Capital Improvement Needs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (g)]

Exemptions from Component 7: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component and may skip to Component 8.

A. Capital Fund Activities

Exemptions from sub-component 7A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may skip to component 7B. All other PHAs must complete 7A as instructed.

(1) Capital Fund Program Annual Statement

Using parts I, II, and III of the Annual Statement for the Capital Fund Program (CFP), identify capital activities the PHA is proposing for the upcoming year to ensure long-term physical and social viability of its public housing developments. This statement can be completed by using the CFP Annual Statement tables provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR**, at the PHA's option, by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52837.

Select one:

The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) **TX396b04**

-or-

The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP Annual Statement from the Table Library and insert here)

92) Optional 5-Year Action Plan

Agencies are encouraged to include a 5-Year Action Plan covering capital work items. This statement can be completed by using the 5 Year Action Plan table provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR** by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52834.

a. Yes No: Is the PHA providing an optional 5-Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund? (if no, skip to sub-component 7B)

b. If yes to question a, select one:

The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name) **TX396c04**

-or-

The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP optional 5 Year Action Plan from the Table Library and insert here)

Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report – attachment TX396k04

B. HOPE VI and Public Housing Development and Replacement Activities (Non-Capital Fund)

Applicability of sub-component 7B: All PHAs administering public housing. Identify any approved HOPE VI and/or public housing development or replacement activities not described in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

- Yes No: a) Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to question c; if yes, provide responses to question b for each grant, copying and completing as many times as necessary)
- b) Status of HOPE VI revitalization grant (complete one set of questions for each grant)

1. Development name:
2. Development (project) number:
3. Status of grant: (select the statement that best describes the current status)

- Revitalization Plan under development
- Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval
- Revitalization Plan approved
- Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway

- Yes No: c) Does the PHA plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year?
- If yes, list development name/s below:

- Yes No: d) Will the PHA be engaging in any mixed-finance development activities for public housing in the Plan year?
- If yes, list developments or activities below:

- Yes No: e) Will the PHA be conducting any other public housing development or replacement activities not discussed in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement?
- If yes, list developments or activities below:

8. Demolition and Disposition

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (h)]

Applicability of component 8: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

1. Yes No: Does the PHA plan to conduct any demolition or disposition activities (pursuant to section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437p)) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If “No”, skip to component 9; if “yes”, complete one activity description for each development.)

2. Activity Description *n/a*

- Yes No: Has the PHA provided the activities description information in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If “yes”, skip to component 9. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.)

Demolition/Disposition Activity Description	
1a. Development name:	
1b. Development (project) number:	
2. Activity type: Demolition <input type="checkbox"/>	
Disposition <input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Application status (select one)	
Approved <input type="checkbox"/>	
Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/>	
Planned application <input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)	
5. Number of units affected:	
6. Coverage of action (select one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development	
<input type="checkbox"/> Total development	
7. Timeline for activity:	
a. Actual or projected start date of activity:	
b. Projected end date of activity:	

9. Designation of Public Housing for Occupancy by Elderly Families or Families with Disabilities or Elderly Families and Families with Disabilities

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (i)]

Exemptions from Component 9; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

1. Yes No: Has the PHA designated or applied for approval to designate or does the PHA plan to apply to designate any public housing for occupancy only by the elderly families or only by families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities or will apply for designation for occupancy by only elderly families or only families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities as provided by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e) in the upcoming fiscal year? (If “No”, skip to component 10. If “yes”, complete one activity description for each development, unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission; PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 10.)

2. Activity Description *n/a*

Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If “yes”, skip to component 10. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.

Designation of Public Housing Activity Description	
1a. Development name:	
1b. Development (project) number:	
2. Designation type:	Occupancy by only the elderly <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy by families with disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy by only elderly families and families with disabilities <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Application status (select one)	Approved; included in the PHA’s Designation Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Date this designation approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)	
5. If approved, will this designation constitute a (select one)	<input type="checkbox"/> New Designation Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of a previously-approved Designation Plan?
6. Number of units affected:	
7. Coverage of action (select one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development

10. Conversion of Public Housing to Tenant-Based Assistance

[24 CFR Part 903.79(j)]

Exemptions from Component 10; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

A. Assessments of Reasonable Revitalization Pursuant to section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act

1. Yes No: Have any of the PHA's developments or portions of developments been identified by HUD or the PHA as covered under section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act? (If "No", skip to component 11; if "yes", complete one activity description for each identified development, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11.)

2. Activity Description **n/a**

Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 11. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.

Conversion of Public Housing Activity Description	
1a. Development name:	
1b. Development (project) number:	
2. What is the status of the required assessment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Assessment underway <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment results submitted to HUD <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment results approved by HUD (if marked, proceed to next question) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)
3. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No: Is a Conversion Plan required? (If yes, go to block 4; if no, go to block 5.)	
4. Status of Conversion Plan (select the statement that best describes the current status)	<input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan in development <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan submitted to HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan approved by HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) <input type="checkbox"/> Activities pursuant to HUD-approved Conversion Plan underway
5. Description of how requirements of Section 202 are being satisfied by means other than conversion (select one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Units addressed in a pending or approved demolition application (date submitted or approved):

- Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI demolition application
(date submitted or approved:)
- Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI Revitalization Plan
(date submitted or approved:)
- Requirements no longer applicable: vacancy rates are less than 10 percent
- Requirements no longer applicable: site now has less than 300 units
- Other: (describe below)

B. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 22 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

C. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 33 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

11. Homeownership Programs Administered by the PHA

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (k)]

A. Public Housing

Exemptions from Component 11A: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete 11A.

1. Yes No: Does the PHA administer any homeownership programs administered by the PHA under an approved section 5(h) homeownership program (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), or an approved HOPE I program (42 U.S.C. 1437aaa) or has the PHA applied or plan to apply to administer any homeownership programs under section 5(h), the HOPE I program, or section 32 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437z-4). (If “No”, skip to component 11B; if “yes”, complete one activity description for each applicable program/plan, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to **small PHA** or **high performing PHA** status. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11B.)

2. Activity Description **n/a**

Yes No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If “yes”, skip to component 12. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.)

Public Housing Homeownership Activity Description (Complete one for each development affected)
1a. Development name: 1b. Development (project) number:
2. Federal Program authority: <input type="checkbox"/> HOPE I <input type="checkbox"/> 5(h) <input type="checkbox"/> Turnkey III <input type="checkbox"/> Section 32 of the USHA of 1937 (effective 10/1/99)
3. Application status: (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Approved; included in the PHA’s Homeownership Plan/Program <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application
4. Date Homeownership Plan/Program approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YYYY)
5. Number of units affected: 6. Coverage of action: (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development

B. Section 8 Tenant Based Assistance

1. Yes No: Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as implemented by 24 CFR part 982 ? (If “No”, skip to component 12; if “yes”, describe each program using the table below (copy and complete questions for each program identified), unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to high performer status. **High performing PHAs** may skip to component 12.)

2. Program Description: **n/a**

a. Size of Program

- Yes No: Will the PHA limit the number of families participating in the section 8 homeownership option?

If the answer to the question above was yes, which statement best describes the number of participants? (select one)

- 25 or fewer participants
 26 - 50 participants
 51 to 100 participants
 more than 100 participants

b. PHA-established eligibility criteria

- Yes No: Will the PHA’s program have eligibility criteria for participation in its Section 8 Homeownership Option program in addition to HUD criteria?

If yes, list criteria below:

12. PHA Community Service and Self-sufficiency Programs

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (l)]

Exemptions from Component 12: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component. Section 8-Only PHAs are not required to complete sub component C.

A. PHA Coordination with the Welfare (TANF) Agency

1. Cooperative agreements:

- Yes No: Has the PHA entered into a cooperative agreement with the TANF Agency, to share information and/or target supportive services (as contemplated by section 12(d)(7) of the Housing Act of 1937)? ***The PHA Plans to complete and agreement by 4-30-01***

If yes, what was the date that agreement was signed? DD/MM/YY

2. Other coordination efforts between the PHA and TANF agency (select all that apply)

- Client referrals
- Information sharing regarding mutual clients (for rent determinations and otherwise) **as needed.**
- Coordinate the provision of specific social and self-sufficiency services and programs to eligible families
- Jointly administer programs
- Partner to administer a HUD Welfare-to-Work voucher program
- Joint administration of other demonstration program
- Other (describe)

B. Services and programs offered to residents and participants – n/a

(1) General

a. Self-Sufficiency Policies

Which, if any of the following discretionary policies will the PHA employ to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families in the following areas? (select all that apply)

- Public housing rent determination policies
- Public housing admissions policies
- Section 8 admissions policies
- Preference in admission to section 8 for certain public housing families
- Preferences for families working or engaging in training or education programs for non-housing programs operated or coordinated by the PHA
- Preference/eligibility for public housing homeownership option participation
- Preference/eligibility for section 8 homeownership option participation

C. Welfare Benefit Reductions

1. The PHA is complying with the statutory requirements of section 12(d) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (relating to the treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements) by: (select all that apply)

- Adopting appropriate changes to the PHA's public housing rent determination policies and train staff to carry out those policies
- Informing residents of new policy on admission and reexamination
- Actively notifying residents of new policy at times in addition to admission and reexamination.
- Establishing or pursuing a cooperative agreement with all appropriate TANF agencies regarding the exchange of information and coordination of services
- Establishing a protocol for exchange of information with all appropriate TANF agencies
- Other: (list below)

D. Reserved for Community Service Requirement pursuant to section 12(c) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937
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See attachment: TX396e04 – Community Service Policy

13. PHA Safety and Crime Prevention Measures

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (m)]

Exemptions from Component 13: High performing and small PHAs not participating in PHDEP and Section 8 Only PHAs may skip to component 15. High Performing and small PHAs that are participating in PHDEP and are submitting a PHDEP Plan with this PHA Plan may skip to sub-component D.

A. Need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents

1. Describe the need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents (select all that apply)

- High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in some or all of the PHA's developments
- High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in the areas surrounding or adjacent to the PHA's developments
- Residents fearful for their safety and/or the safety of their children
- Observed lower-level crime, vandalism and/or graffiti
- People on waiting list unwilling to move into one or more developments due to perceived and/or actual levels of violent and/or drug-related crime
- Other (describe below)

2. What information or data did the PHA use to determine the need for PHA actions to improve safety of residents (select all that apply).

- Safety and security survey of residents
- Analysis of crime statistics over time for crimes committed "in and around" public housing authority
- Analysis of cost trends over time for repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti
- Resident reports
- PHA employee reports
- Police reports
- Demonstrable, quantifiable success with previous or ongoing anticrime/anti drug programs
- Other (describe below)

3. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

Throughout PHA

B. Crime and Drug Prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake in the next PHA fiscal year

1. List the crime prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake: (select all that apply) **Pending approval of PHDEP**

- Contracting with outside and/or resident organizations for the provision of crime- and/or drug-prevention activities
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

- Activities targeted to at-risk youth, adults, or seniors
- Volunteer Resident Patrol/Block Watchers Program
- Other (describe below)

2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

Throughout PHA

C. Coordination between PHA and the police

1. Describe the coordination between the PHA and the appropriate police precincts for carrying out crime prevention measures and activities: (select all that apply)

- Police involvement in development, implementation, and/or ongoing evaluation of drug-elimination plan
- Police provide crime data to housing authority staff for analysis and action
- Police have established a physical presence on housing authority property (e.g., community policing office, officer in residence)
- Police regularly testify in and otherwise support eviction cases
- Police regularly meet with the PHA management and residents
- Agreement between PHA and local law enforcement agency for provision of above-baseline law enforcement services
- Other activities (list below) **Once PHDEP funding received, PHA will form agreement with City and Police Dept.**

2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

Throughout PHA

D. Additional information as required by PHDEP/PHDEP Plan

PHAs eligible for FY 2001 PHDEP funds must provide a PHDEP Plan meeting specified requirements prior to receipt of PHDEP funds.

- Yes No: Is the PHA eligible to participate in the PHDEP in the fiscal year covered by this PHA Plan?
- Yes No: Has the PHA included the PHDEP Plan for FY 2001 in this PHA Plan?
- Yes No: This PHDEP Plan is an Attachment. (Attachment Filename: _____)

14. RESERVED FOR PET POLICY

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (n)]

See attachment: TX396-f04 Pet Policy – families

See attachment: TX396g04 Pet Policy – elderly/disabled

15. Civil Rights Certifications

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (o)]

Civil rights certifications are included in the PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations.

16. Fiscal Audit

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (p)]

1. Yes No: Is the PHA required to have an audit conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h))?
(If no, skip to component 17.)
2. Yes No: Was the most recent fiscal audit submitted to HUD?
3. Yes No: Were there any findings as the result of that audit?
As of this date, no response.
4. Yes No: If there were any findings, do any remain unresolved?
If yes, how many unresolved findings remain? _____
5. Yes No: Have responses to any unresolved findings been submitted to HUD?
If not, when are they due (state below)?

17. PHA Asset Management

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (q)]

Exemptions from component 17: Section 8 Only PHAs are not required to complete this component. High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component.

1. Yes No: Is the PHA engaging in any activities that will contribute to the long-term asset management of its public housing stock, including how the Agency will plan for long-term operating, capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, disposition, and other needs that have **not** been addressed elsewhere in this PHA Plan?
2. What types of asset management activities will the PHA undertake? (select all that apply)
 - Not applicable
 - Private management
 - Development-based accounting
 - Comprehensive stock assessment
 - Other: (list below)
3. Yes No: Has the PHA included descriptions of asset management activities in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table?

18. Other Information

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

A. Resident Advisory Board Recommendations

1. Yes No: Did the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s?

2. If yes, the comments are: (if comments were received, the PHA **MUST** select one)
 Attached at Attachment (File name)
 Provided below: ***Residents were in agreement with PHA Plan contents***

3. In what manner did the PHA address those comments? (select all that apply) *N/A*
 Considered comments, but determined that no changes to the PHA Plan were necessary.
 The PHA changed portions of the PHA Plan in response to comments
List changes below:

 Other: (list below)

B. Description of Election process for Residents on the PHA Board

1. Yes No: Does the PHA meet the exemption criteria provided section 2(b)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937? (If no, continue to question 2; if yes, skip to sub-component C.)

2. Yes No: Was the resident who serves on the PHA Board elected by the residents? (If yes, continue to question 3; if no, skip to sub-component C.) **No resident on board.**

3. Description of Resident Election Process *N/A*

- a. Nomination of candidates for place on the ballot: (select all that apply)
 Candidates were nominated by resident and assisted family organizations
 Candidates could be nominated by any adult recipient of PHA assistance
 Self-nomination: Candidates registered with the PHA and requested a place on ballot
 Other: (describe)

- b. Eligible candidates: (select one)
 Any recipient of PHA assistance
 Any head of household receiving PHA assistance
 Any adult recipient of PHA assistance
 Any adult member of a resident or assisted family organization
 Other (list)

c. Eligible voters: (select all that apply)

- All adult recipients of PHA assistance (public housing and section 8 tenant-based assistance)
- Representatives of all PHA resident and assisted family organizations
- Other (list)

C. Statement of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

For each applicable Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times as necessary).

1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: (provide name here) ***Texas State***

2. The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
 - The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the needs expressed in the Consolidated Plan/s.
 - The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.
 - The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development of this PHA Plan.
 - Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)
 - ***Reduce Vacancies in public housing***
 - ***Expand the Voucher Program***
 - ***Modernization of public housing units.***
 - Other: (list below)

4. The Consolidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following actions and commitments: (describe below)
 - ***The preservation and rehabilitation of the City's existing housing stock primarily for extremely low, very low and low-income families (0-80 percent of median income).***
 - ***The expansion of economic opportunities in the community particularly for lower income residents.***
 - ***The continued encouragement and support of non-profit organizations in seeking additional funding sources and continued assistance in obtaining such funding whenever possible.***

D. Other Information Required by HUD

Use this section to provide any additional information requested by HUD.

Attachments

Use this section to provide any additional attachments referenced in the Plans.

PHA Plan Table Library

Component 7 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement Parts I, II, and III (see attachment TX396b01)

Annual Statement Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part I: Summary

Capital Fund Grant Number FFY of Grant Approval: (MM/YYYY)

Original Annual Statement

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost
1	Total Non-CGP Funds	
2	1406 Operations	
3	1408 Management Improvements	
4	1410 Administration	
5	1411 Audit	
6	1415 Liquidated Damages	
7	1430 Fees and Costs	
8	1440 Site Acquisition	
9	1450 Site Improvement	
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures	
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment	
14	1485 Demolition	
15	1490 Replacement Reserve	
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration	
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs	
18	1498 Mod Used for Development	
19	1502 Contingency	
20	Amount of Annual Grant (Sum of lines 2-19)	
21	Amount of line 20 Related to LBP Activities	
22	Amount of line 20 Related to Section 504 Compliance	
23	Amount of line 20 Related to Security	
24	Amount of line 20 Related to Energy Conservation Measures	

Annual Statement
Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part II: Supporting Table

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Development Account Number	Total Estimated Cost

Annual Statement

Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part III: Implementation Schedule

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	All Funds Obligated (Quarter Ending Date)	All Funds Expended (Quarter Ending Date)

Optional Table for 5-Year Action Plan for Capital Fund (Component 7)

Complete one table for each development in which work is planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal years. Complete a table for any PHA-wide physical or management improvements planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal year. Copy this table as many times as necessary. Note: PHAs need not include information from Year One of the 5-Year cycle, because this information is included in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

Optional 5-Year Action Plan Tables				
Development Number	Development Name (or indicate PHA wide)	Number Vacant Units	% Vacancies in Development	
Description of Needed Physical Improvements or Management Improvements			Estimated Cost	Planned Start Date (HA Fiscal Year)
(see attachment TX396c01)				
Total estimated cost over next 5 years				

**DECONCENTRATION AND INCOME TARGETING POLICY
FOR
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS**

DECONCENTRATION AND INCOME TARGETING POLICY
(of the Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy)

Sub-Title A, Section 513 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (QHWRA), establishes two interrelated requirements for implementation by Public Housing Authorities: (1) Economic Deconcentration of public housing developments and (2) Income Targeting to assure that families in the “extremely low” income category are proportionately represented in public housing and that pockets of poverty are reduced or eliminated. Under the deconcentration requirement, PHAs are to implement a program which provides that families with lowest incomes will be offered units in housing developments where family incomes are the highest and high-income families will be offered units in developments where family incomes are the lowest. In order to implement these new requirements the PHA must promote these provisions as policies and revise their Admission and Occupancy policies and procedures to comply.

Therefore, the Housing Authority of Starr County (PHA) hereby affirms its commitment to implementation of the two requirements by adopting the following policies:

1. Economic Deconcentration:

Admission and Occupancy policies are revised to include the PHA’s policy of promoting economic deconcentration of its housing developments by offering low-income families, selected in accordance with applicable preferences and priorities, units in developments where family incomes are highest. Conversely, families with higher incomes will be offered units in developments with the lowest average family incomes.

Implementation of this program will require the PHA to: (1) determine and compare the relative tenant incomes of each development and the incomes of families in the census tracts in which the developments are located, and (2) consider what policies, measures or incentives are necessary to bring high-income families into low-income developments (or into developments in low-income census tracts) and low-income families into high-income developments (or into developments in high-income census tracts).

In addition, an assessment of the average family income for each development is necessary. Families will be provided with an explanation of the policy during the application/screening process and/or the occupancy orientation sessions and given opportunities to discuss the options available to them. The families will also be informed that should they choose not to accept the first unit offered under this system, their refusal will not be cause to drop their name to the bottom of the list.

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Implementation may include one or more of the following options:

- Skipping families on the waiting list based on income;
- Establishing preferences for working families;
- Establish preferences for families in job training programs;
- Establish preferences for families in education or training programs;
- Marketing campaign geared toward targeting income groups for specific developments;
- Additional supportive services;
- Additional amenities for all units;
- Ceiling rents;
- Flat rents for developments and unit sizes;
- Different tenant rent percentages per development;
- Different tenant rent percentages per bedroom size;
- Saturday and evening office hours;
- Security Deposit waivers;
- Revised transfer policies;
- Site-based waiting lists;
- Mass Media advertising/Public service announcements; and
- Giveaways.

2. Income Targeting

As public housing dwelling units become available for occupancy, responsible PHA employees will offer units to applicants on the waiting list. In accordance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998, the PHA encourages occupancy of its developments by a broad range of families with incomes up to eighty percent (80%) of the median income for the jurisdiction in which the PHA operates. At a minimum, forty percent (40%) of all new admissions to public housing **on an annual basis** will be families with incomes at or below thirty percent (30%) (extremely low-income) of the area median income. The offer of assistance will be made without discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or familial status.

The PHA may employ a system of income ranges in order to maintain a public housing resident body composed of families with a range of incomes and rent paying abilities representative of the range of incomes among low-income families in the PHA's area of operation, and will take into account the average rent that should be received to maintain financial solvency. The selection procedures are designed so that selection of new public housing residents will bring the actual distribution of rents closer to the projected distribution of rents.

In order to implement the income targeting program, the following policy is adopted:

- ▶ The PHA may select, based on date and time of application and preferences, two

(2) families in the extremely low-income category and two (2) families from the lower/very low-income category alternately until the forty percent (40%) admission requirement of extremely low-income families is achieved (2 plus 2 policy).

- ▶ After the minimum level is reached, all selections may be made based solely on date, time and preferences. Any applicants passed over as a result of implementing this 2 plus 2 policy will retain their place on the waiting list and will be offered a unit in order of their placement on the waiting list.
- ▶ To the maximum extent possible, the offers will also be made to effect the PHA's policy of economic deconcentration.
- ▶ For the initial year of implementation, a pro-rated percentage of the new admissions will be calculated from April 1, 1999 through the end of the fiscal year. Following the initial implementation period, the forty percent (40%) requirement will be calculated based on new admissions for the fiscal year.
- ▶ The PHA reserves the option, at any time, to reduce the targeting requirement for public housing by no more than ten percent (10%), if it increases the target figure for its Section 8 program from the required level of seventy-five percent (75%) of annual new admissions to no more than eighty-five percent (85%) of its annual new admissions.

NOTICE

Although we have made our best effort to comply with regulations, laws, and Federal/local policies the Nelrod Company does not offer advice on legal matters or render legal opinions. We recommend that this policy be reviewed by the Housing Authority's general council and/or attorney prior to approval by the Board of Commissioners.

The Nelrod Company is not responsible for any changes made to these policies by any party other than the Nelrod Company.

Annual Statement /Performance and Evaluation Report

Capital Funds Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF) Part 1: Summary

PHA Name: HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY	Grant Type and Number: Capital Fund Program No: TX59P3965001 Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:	Federal FY of Grant: 2001
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Original Annual Statement
 Reserved for Disasters/Emergencies
 Revised Annual Statement/Revision Number _____
 Performance and Evaluation Report for Program Year Ending _____
 Final Performance and Evaluation Report for Program Year Ending _____

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost		Total Actual Cost	
		Original	Revised	Obligated	Expended
1					
2	1406 Operating Expenses	2,435.00			
3	1408 Management Improvements	8,100.00			
4	1410 Administration				
5	1411 Audit				
6	1415 Liquidated Damages				
7	1430 Fees and Costs	13,673.00			
8	1440 Site Acquisition				
9	1450 Site Improvement	30,000.00			
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	46,000.00			
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable				
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures	50,000.00			
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment	23,500.00			
14	1485 Demolition				
15	1490 Replacement Reserve				
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration				
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs				
18	1499 Development Activities				
19	1501 Collateralization or Debt Service				
20	1502 Contingency				
21	Amount of Annual Grant (sums of lines 2-20)	173,708.00			
22	Amount of line 21 Related to LBP Activities				
23	Amount of Line 21 Related to Section 504 Compliance				
24	Amount of Line 21 Related to Security - Soft Costs				
25	Amount of Line 21 Related to Security - Hard Costs				
26	Amount of Line 21 Related to Energy Conservation Measures				

Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report and Evaluation Report
Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF)

Part II: Supporting Pages

PHA Name: HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY		Grant Type and Number: Capital Fund Program No: TX59P3965001 Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:				Federal FY of Grant: 2001		
Development Number Name/HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Dev. Acct No.	Quantity	Total Estimated Cost		Total Actual Cost		Status of Work
				Original	Revised	Funds Obligated	Funds Expended	
	Subtotal	1406		2,435.00				
TX396	Staff Training	1408		1,500.00				
HA-Wide	Update policies and procedures	1408		1,000.00				
	Board of Commissioners Training	1408		1,000.00				
	HUD Accounting Requirements	1408		1,000.00				
	Maintenance Technical Training	1408		600.00				
	General Technical Assistance	1408		500.00				
	Resident Work Program	1408		1,000.00				
	Computer Update	1408		1,500.00				
	Subtotal			8,100.00				
	Architectural Fees and Costs	1430		6,673.00				
	Inspection Fees	1430		1,500.00				
	Printing Costs	1430		500.00				
	Consultant Fees/Annual Statements/ and Agency Plan Update/Consortium	1430		5,000.00				
	Subtotal			13,673.00				
TX396-002	14 slot parking area	1450		15,000.00				
W. Circle Dr.	Canopy over parking area	1450		15,000.00				
	Subtotal			30,000.00				
	Replace windows	1460		46,000.00				
	Office renovation/expansion	1470		50,000.00				
	Provide automobile	1475		22,000.00				
	Laser printer	1475		1,500.00				
	Subtotal			23,500.00				
	TOTAL			173,708.00				

Capital Funds Program Five Year Action Plan Part II: Supporting Pages--Work Activities

Activities for Year: 4	Activities for Year: 4		Activities for Year: 4	
for Year 1	Development Name/Number	Major Work Categories	Estimated Cost	Development Name/Number
See	TX396	Operations	18,435.00	TX396-002
	HA-Wide	Staff training	1,500.00	W. Circle Drive
		Update policies and procedures	1,000.00	Replace vinyl flooring/base
		Board of Commissioners training	800.00	Replace bathroom paneling
		HUD Accounting Procedures	500.00	Basketball court painting/re
Annual		Maintenance Technical Training	800.00	
		General Technical Assistance	3,000.00	
		Resident Work Program	12,000.00	
		Computer Software Update	1,500.00	
		Energy Audit/Utility Allowance Update	1,500.00	
		Subtotal	22,600.00	
Statement		Architectural Fees & Costs	5,000.00	
		Inspection Fees	1,500.00	
		Printing Costs	500.00	
		Consultant Fees/Annual Statement and Agency Plan Update/Consortium	6,000.00	
		Replace wind turbines	8,000.00	
		Subtotal	21,000.00	
	TX396-001	Basketball bleachers	10,000.00	
	Nixon Site	Basketball court site lighting with security screens near bleachers	4,000.00	
		Security fence around site	40,000.00	
		Playground equipment	6,200.00	
		Subtotal	60,200.00	
		TOTAL CFP ESTIMATED COST	122,235.00	Total 2004

Capital Funds Program Five Year Action Plan Part II: Supporting Pages--Work Activities

Activities for Year 1	Activities for Year: 5 FFY Grant: 2005 PHA FY: 2005	Activities for Year: 1 FFY Grant: 2005 PHA FY: 2005	Development Name/Number	Major Work Categories	Estimated Cost	Development Name/Number	Major Work Categories
See	TX396		Operations		3,435.00	TX396-002	Speed bumps
	HA-Wide		Staff Training		1,500.00	W. Circle Drive	Heat lamps for baths
			Update policies and procedures		1,000.00		Convert gas water heaters 1
			Board of Commissioners training		800.00		Replace closet and passag
			HUD Accounting Procedures		500.00		Re-varnish all kitchen cabin
			Maintenance Technical Training		800.00		
Annual			General Technical Assistance		3,000.00		
			Resident Work Program		12,000.00		
			Computer Software Update		1,500.00		
			Utility Allowance Study/Update		1,500.00		
			Subtotal		26,035.00		
Statement			Architectural Fees & Costs		5,000.00		
			Inspection Fees		1,500.00		
			Printing Costs		500.00		
			Consultant Fees/Annual Statement and Agency Plan Update/Consortium		6,000.00		
			Subtotal		13,000.00		
	TX396-001		Dryer hookups		5,000.00		
	Nixon Site		Install bathroom heaters		8,000.00		
			Replace clotheslines with poles		5,000.00		
			Provide shelving in enclosed area in warehouse for inventory and equipment		15,000.00		
			Speed bumps		5,000.00		
			Replace closet and passage doors		20,000.00		
			Replace broken sewer lines		15,000.00		
			Subtotal		73,000.00		
			TOTAL CFP ESTIMATED COST		112,035.00		Total 2005

Housing Authority of Starr County

1. Substantial Deviation from the 5-Year Plan:

- Any change to the Mission Statement;
- 50% deletion from or addition to the goals and objectives as a whole; and
- 50% or more decrease in the quantifiable measurement of any individual goal or objective.

2. Significant Amendment or Modification to the Annual Plan:

- Any increase or decrease over 50% in the funds projected in the Financial Resource Statement and/or the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement;
- Any change in a policy or procedure that requires a regulatory 30-day posting;
- Any submission to HUD that requires a separate notification to residents, such as Hope VI, Public Housing Conversion, Demolition/Disposition, Designated Housing or Homeownership programs; and
- Any change inconsistent with the local, approved Consolidated Plan, in the discretion of the Executive Director.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE POLICY
FOR
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS**

COMMUNITY SERVICE POLICY

Section 512 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998, which amends Section 12 of the Housing Act of 1937, establishes a new requirement for non-exempt residents of public housing to contribute eight (8) hours of community service each month or to participate in a self-sufficiency program for eight (8) hours each month. Community service is a service for which individuals are not paid. The Housing Authority of Starr County (herein referred to as PHA) believes that the community service requirement should not be perceived by the resident to be a punitive or demeaning activity, but rather to be a rewarding activity that will benefit both the resident and the community. Community service offers public housing residents an opportunity to contribute to the communities that support them.

In order to effectively implement this new requirement, the Housing Authority of Starr County establishes the following Policy, effective October 1, 1999.

1. Community Service

The PHA will provide residents, identified as required to participate in community service, a variety of voluntary activities and locations where the activities can be performed. The activities may include, but are not limited to:

- improving the physical environment of the resident's developments;
- selected office related services in the development or Administrative Office;
- volunteer services in local schools, day care centers, hospitals, nursing homes, youth or senior organizations, drug/alcohol treatment centers, recreation centers, etc;
- neighborhood group special projects;
- self-improvement activities such as household budget, credit counseling, English proficiency, GED classes or other educational activities;
- tutoring elementary or high school age residents; and
- serving in on-site computer training centers.

Voluntary political activities are prohibited.

2. Program Administration

The PHA may administer its own community service program in conjunction with the formation of cooperative relationships with other community based entities such as TANF, Social Services Agencies or other organizations which have as their goal, the improvement and advancement of disadvantaged families. The PHA may seek to contract its community service program out to a third-party.

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In conjunction with its own or partnership program, the PHA will provide reasonable

accommodations for accessibility to persons with disabilities. The PHA may directly supervise community service activities and may develop and provide a directory of opportunities from which residents may select. When services are provided through partnering agencies, the PHA will confirm the resident's participation. Should contracting out the community service function be determined to be the most efficient method for the PHA to accomplish this requirement, the PHA will monitor the agency for contract compliance.

The PHA will assure that the service is not labor that would normally be performed by PHA employees responsible for the essential maintenance and property services.

3. Self-Sufficiency

The PHA will inform residents that participation in self-sufficiency activities for eight (8) hours each month can satisfy the community service requirement and encourage non-exempt residents to select such activities to satisfy the requirement. Such activities can include, but are not limited to:

- apprenticeships and job readiness training;
- substance abuse and mental health counseling and treatment;
- English proficiency, GED, adult education, junior college or other formal education;
- household budgeting and credit counseling;
- small business training.

The PHA may sponsor its own economic self-sufficiency program or coordinate with local social services, volunteer organizations and TANF agencies.

4. Geographic Location

The PHA recognizes that the intent of this requirement is to have residents provide service to their own communities, either in the PHA's developments or in the broader community in which the PHA operates.

5. Exemptions

In accordance with provisions in the Act, the PHA will exempt from participation in community service requirements the following groups:

- adults who are 62 years of age or older;
- persons engaged in work activities as defined under Social Security (full-time or part-time employment);
- participants in a welfare to work program;
- persons receiving assistance from and in compliance with State programs funded under part A, title IV of the Social Security Act; and

- the disabled but only to the extent that the disability makes the person “unable to comply” with the community service requirements.

The PHA will determine, at the next regularly scheduled reexamination, the status of each household member eighteen (18) years of age or older with respect to the requirement to participate in community service activities. The PHA will use the “PHA Family Community Service Monthly Time-Sheet” to document resident eligibility and the hours of community service. A record for each adult will be established and community service placement selections made. Each non-exempt household member will be provided with forms to be completed by a representative of the service or economic self-sufficiency activity verifying the hours of volunteer service conducted each month.

The PHA will also assure that procedures are in place which provide residents the opportunity to change status with respect to the community service requirement. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- going from unemployment to employment;
- entering a job training program;
- entering an educational program which exceeds eight (8) hours monthly.

All exemptions to the community service requirement will be verified and documented in the resident file. Required verifications may include, but not be limited to:

- third-party verification of employment, enrollment in a training or education program, welfare to work program or other economic self sufficiency activities;
- birth certificates to verify age 62 or older; or
- if appropriate, verification of disability limitations.

Families who pay flat rents, live in public housing units within market rate developments or families who are over income when they initially occupy a public housing unit will not receive an automatic exception.

6. Cooperative Relationships with Welfare Agencies

The PHA may initiate cooperative relationships with local service agencies that provide assistance to its families to facilitate information exchange, expansion of community service/self-sufficiency program options and aid in the coordination of those activities.

7. Lease Requirements and Documentation

The PHA's lease has a twelve (12)-month term and is automatically renewable except for

non-compliance with the community service requirement. The lease also provides for termination and eviction of the entire household for such non-compliance. The lease provisions will be implemented for current residents at the next regularly scheduled reexamination on or after October 1, 1999, and for all new residents effective October 1, 1999. The PHA will not renew or extend the lease if the household contains a non-exempt member who has failed to comply with the community service requirement.

Documentation of compliance or non-compliance will be placed in each resident file.

8. Non-compliance

If the PHA determines that a resident who is not an "exempt individual" has not complied with the community service requirement, the PHA must notify the resident:

1. of the non-compliance;
2. that the determination is subject to the PHA's administrative grievance procedure;
3. that unless the resident enters into an agreement under paragraph 4. of this section, the lease of the family of which the non-compliant adult is a member may not be renewed. However, if the non-compliant adult moves from the unit, the lease may be renewed;
4. that before the expiration of the lease term, the PHA must offer the resident an opportunity to cure the non-compliance during the next twelve (12)-month period; such a cure includes a written agreement by the non-compliant adult to complete as many additional hours of community service or economic self-sufficiency activity needed to make up the total number of hours required over the twelve (12)-month term of the lease.

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**PET OWNERSHIP
(FAMILY)
FOR
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS**

PET OWNERSHIP

Section 526 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 added a new Section 31 (“Pet Ownership in Public Housing”) to the United States Housing Act of 1937. Section 31 establishes pet ownership requirements for residents of public housing other than Federally assisted rental housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities. In brief, this section states that: A resident of a dwelling unit in public housing may own 1 or more common household pets or have such pets present in the dwelling unit. Allowance of pets is subject to reasonable requirements of the PHA.

The Housing Authority of Starr County (herein referred to as PHA) notifies eligible new residents of that right and provides them copies of the PHA's Pet Ownership Rules. To obtain permission, pet owners must agree to abide by those Rules.

In consulting with residents currently living in the PHA's developments, the PHA will notify all such residents that:

- A. all residents are permitted to own and keep common domesticated household pets, such as a cat, dog, bird, and fish, in their dwelling units, in accordance with PHA pet ownership rules;
2. the non-refundable nominal pet fee is intended to cover the reasonable operating costs to the development. The refundable pet deposit is intended to cover additional costs not otherwise covered (i.e., fumigation of a unit);
- C. animals that are used to assist the disabled are excluded from the size and weight and type requirements pertaining to ownership of service animals; however, they will be required to assure that proper licensing, inoculations, leash restraints, etc. are observed;
- D. residents may request a copy of the PHA's pet ownership rules or proposed amendments to the rules at any time; and,
- E. if the dwelling lease of a resident prohibits pet ownership, the resident may request that the lease be amended to permit pet ownership, in accordance with the PHA's pet ownership rules shown below;
- F. Section 31 does not alter, in any way, the regulations applicable to Federally assisted

housing for the elderly and persons with disabilities found at Section 227 of the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983 and located in 24 CFR part 5, subpart C.

- G. **New Section 960.705 of 24 CFR clarifies that the regulations added in Section 31 do not apply to service animals that assist persons with disabilities. This exclusion applies to both service animals that reside in public housing and service animals that visit PHA developments. Nothing in this rule limits or impairs the rights of persons with disabilities, authorizes PHAs to limit or impair the rights of persons with disabilities, or affects any authority PHAs may have to regulate service animals that assist persons with disabilities.**

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY

Pet Ownership Rules for Families

1. Common household pet means a domesticated cat, dog, bird, gerbil, hamster, Guinea pig and fish in aquariums. Reptiles of any kind, with the exception of small turtles or in a terrarium, as well as mice and rats are prohibited. These definitions do not include any wild animal, bird or fish.
2. Each household shall have only one pet (except fish or birds). The limit for birds is two (2).
3. The pet owner shall have only a small cat or a dog. The animal's weight shall not exceed *20 pounds*. The animal's height shall not exceed *fifteen inches*. Such limitations do not apply to a **service animal** used to assist a disabled resident.
4. Pet owners shall license their pets yearly with the City in which they live, or as required. The pet owner must show the PHA proof of rabies and distemper booster inoculations and licensing annually. Residents applying for approval to house a dog or cat must provide, at the time of application, proof of insurance in the amount of \$ _____ for property damage and \$ _____ for personal liability. Such insurance shall be in force at all times, with proof of same provided at each recertification or at such other times as the PHA may request.
5. No pet owner shall keep a pet in violation of State or local health or humane laws or ordinances. Any failure of these pet ownership rules to contain other applicable State or local laws or ordinances does not relieve the pet owner of the responsibility for complying with such requirements.
6. The pet owner shall have his or her cat or dog spayed or neutered and shall pay the cost thereof. A veterinarian shall verify that the spaying or neutering has been accomplished.
7. The pet owner shall house the pet inside the pet owner's dwelling unit. The pet owner shall keep a cat or a dog on a leash and shall control the animal when it is taken out of the dwelling unit for any purpose. The owner of a bird(s) shall confine them to a cage at all times. No pet owner shall allow his or her pet to be unleashed or loose outside the pet owner's dwelling unit.
8. No resident shall keep, raise, train, breed or maintain any pet of any kind at any location, either inside or outside the dwelling unit, for any commercial purpose.

9. No pet owner shall keep a vicious or intimidating pet on the premises. If the pet owner declines, delays or refuses to remove such a pet from the premises, the PHA shall do so, in order to safeguard the health and welfare of other residents.
10. No pet owner shall permit his or her pet to disturb, interfere or diminish the peaceful enjoyment of the pet owner's neighbors or other residents. The terms "disturb, interfere or diminish" shall include but not be limited to barking, howling, biting, scratching, chirping and other activities of a disturbing nature. If the pet owner declines, delays or refuses to remove the pet from the premises, the PHA shall do so.
11. The owner of a cat shall feed the animal at least once per day; provide a litter box inside the dwelling unit; clean the litter box at least every two (2) days; and take the animal to a veterinarian at least once per year. The pet owner shall not permit refuse from the litter box to accumulate or to become unsanitary or unsightly, and shall dispose of such droppings by placing them in a sack in a designated container outside the building where the pet owner lives.
12. The owner of a dog shall feed the animal at least once per day; take the animal for a walk at least twice per day; remove the animals droppings at least twice per day; and take the animal to a veterinarian at least once per year. The pet owner shall not permit dog droppings to accumulate or to become unsanitary or unsightly, and shall dispose of such droppings by placing them in a sack in a designated container outside the building where the pet owner lives.
13. The pet owner shall take the precautions and measures necessary to eliminate pet odors within and around the dwelling unit, and shall maintain the dwelling unit in a sanitary condition at all times, as determined by the PHA.
14. No pet owner shall alter the dwelling unit or the surrounding premises to create a space, hole, container or enclosure for any pet.
15. PHA staff shall enter a dwelling unit where a pet has been left untended for twenty - four (24) hours, remove the pet and transfer it to the proper local authorities, subject to any provisions of State or local law or ordinances in this regard. The PHA shall accept no responsibility for the pet under such circumstances.
16. Each pet owner shall pay a non-refundable pet fee of \$ _____ and a refundable pet deposit of \$ _____. A refundable deposit of \$ _____ will be charged for aquariums. There is no pet deposit for birds, gerbils, hamsters, guinea pigs or turtles. The pet fee/deposit is not part of the rent payable by the pet owner, and is in addition to any other financial obligation generally imposed on residents of the development where the pet owner lives. The PHA shall use the non-refundable pet fee only to pay

reasonable expenses directly attributable to the presence of the pet in the development, including, but not limited to the cost of repairs and replacements to, and the fumigation of, the pet owner's dwelling unit. The refundable deposit will be used, if appropriate, to correct damages caused by the presence of the pet.

The refundable pet deposit will be placed in an escrow account and the PHA will refund the unused portion, plus any accrued interest, to the resident within thirty (30) days after the pet owner moves from the dwelling unit or no longer owns or keeps a pet in the dwelling unit.

- 17. All residents are prohibited from feeding, housing or caring for stray animals or birds. Such action shall constitute having a pet without permission of the PHA.
- 18. Each pet owner shall identify an alternate custodian for his or her pet. If the pet owner is ill or absent from the dwelling unit and unable to care for his or her pet, the alternate custodian shall assume responsibility for the care and keeping of the pet, including, if necessary, the removal of the pet from PHA premises.
- 19. Should any pet housed in the PHA's facilities give birth to a litter, the residents shall remove from the premises all of said pets except one as soon as the baby's are able to survive on their own (a maximum of 6 weeks).
- 20. The PHA will not be responsible for any pet which gets out of a unit when maintenance employees enter for the purpose of making repairs. The family is responsible for removing the pet when maintenance is scheduled or assuring that a responsible family member is present to control the pet.
- 21. If a resident, including a pet owner, breaches any of the rules set forth above, the PHA may revoke the pet permit and evict the resident or pet owner.

I have read and understand the above pet ownership rules and agreed to abide by them.

Resident's Signature

PHA Staff member's Signature

Date

Date

Type of Animal and Breed

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PET OWNERSHIP
(ELDERLY/DISABLED RESIDENTS)
FOR
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

PET OWNERSHIP

Housing Authority residents who are elderly and/or disabled are permitted to own and keep pets in their dwelling units. The Housing Authority of Starr County (herein referred to as PHA) notifies eligible new residents of that right and provides them copies of the PHA's Pet Ownership Rules. To obtain permission, pet owners must agree to abide by those Rules.

In consulting with residents currently living in the PHA's developments for the elderly or disabled, the PHA will notify all such residents that:

- A. elderly or disabled residents are permitted to own and keep common domesticated household pets, such as a cat, dog, bird, and fish, in their dwelling units, in accordance with PHA pet ownership rules;
- B. animals that are used to assist the disabled are excluded from the size and weight requirements pertaining to ownership of service animals; however, they will be required to assure that proper licensing, inoculations, leash restraints, etc. are observed.
- C. residents may request a copy of the PHA's pet ownership rules or proposed amendments to the rules at any time; and,
- D. if the dwelling lease of an elderly or disabled resident prohibits pet ownership, the resident may request that the lease be amended to permit pet ownership, in accordance with the PHA's pet ownership rules shown below.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY

Pet Ownership Rules for Elderly/Disabled Residents

1. Common household pet means a domesticated cat, dog, bird, gerbil, hamster, Guinea pig and fish in aquariums. Reptiles of any kind, with the exception of small turtles in a terrarium, as well as mice and rats are prohibited. These definitions do not include any wild animal, bird or fish.
2. Each household shall have only one pet (except fish or birds). The limit for birds is two (2).
3. The pet owner shall have only a small cat or a dog. The animal's weight shall not exceed *20 pounds*. The animal's height shall not exceed *fifteen inches*. Such limitations do not apply to a *service animal* used to assist a disabled resident.
4. Pet owners shall license their pets yearly with the City in which they live, or as required. The pet owner must show the PHA proof of rabies and distemper booster inoculations and licensing annually. Residents applying for approval to house a dog or cat must provide, at the time of application, proof of insurance in the amount of \$ _____ for property damage and \$ _____ for personal liability. Such insurance shall be in force at all times, with proof of same provided at each recertification or at such other times as the PHA may request.
5. No pet owner shall keep a pet in violation of State or local health or humane laws or ordinances. Any failure of these pet ownership rules to contain other applicable State or local laws or ordinances does not relieve the pet owner of the responsibility for complying with such requirements.
6. The pet owner shall have his or her cat or dog spayed or neutered and shall pay the cost thereof. A veterinarian shall verify that the spaying or neutering has been accomplished.
7. The pet owner shall house the pet inside the pet owner's dwelling unit. The pet owner shall keep a cat or a dog on a leash and shall control the animal when it is taken out of the dwelling unit for any purpose. The owner of a bird(s) shall confine them to a cage at all times. No pet owner shall allow his or her pet to be unleashed or loose outside the pet owner's dwelling unit.
8. No resident shall keep, raise, train, breed or maintain any pet of any kind at any location, either inside or outside the dwelling unit, for any commercial purpose.
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I have read and understand the above pet ownership rules and agreed to abide by them.

Resident's Signature

PHA Staff member's Signature

Date

Date

Type of Animal and Breed

Name of Pet

Description of Pet (color, size, weight, sex, etc.)

The alternate custodian for my pet is:

Custodian's first, middle and last name; post office box; street address; zip code; area telephone code and telephone number:

Resident's Signature

Date

Refundable Damage Deposit

Amount Paid

Date

Non-refundable Damage Deposit

Amount Paid

Date

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Housing Authority of Starr County

Required Attachment TX396h01: Resident Member on the PHA Governing Board

1. Yes No: Does the PHA governing board include at least one member who is directly assisted by the PHA this year? (if no, skip to #2)

A. Name of resident member(s) on the governing board:

B. How was the resident board member selected: (select one)?

Elected

Appointed

C. The term of appointment is (include the date term expires):

2. A. If the PHA governing board does not have at least one member who is directly assisted by the PHA, why not?

the PHA is located in a State that requires the members of a governing board to be salaried and serve on a full time basis

the PHA has less than 300 public housing units, has provided reasonable notice to the resident advisory board of the opportunity to serve on the governing board, and has not been notified by any resident of their interest to participate in the Board.

Other (explain):

B. Date of next term expiration of a governing board member:

C. Name and title of appointing official(s) for governing board (indicate appointing official for the next position): *Eloy Vera – County Judge*

Required Attachment TX396i01: Membership of the Resident Advisory Board or Boards

List members of the Resident Advisory Board or Boards: (If the list would be unreasonably long, list organizations represented or otherwise provide a description sufficient to identify how members are chosen.)

Yolanda Flores

Circle Site

Rogelio & Edit Roman

Nixon Site

Norma Rios

Section 8

1. Summary of Policy or Program Changes for the Upcoming Year

In this section, briefly describe changes in policies or programs discussed in last year's PHA Plan that are not covered in other sections of this Update.

5 Year Plan

PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing

Objective (changed):

Acquire or build units or developments (build between 70 and 150 units by the end of the year 2005)

PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices

Objective:

Conduct outreach efforts to potential voucher landlords (add)

Implement voucher homeownership program (delete)

Implement public housing or other homeownership programs (delete)

PHA Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of families and individuals

Objective (changed)

Provide or attract supportive services to improve assistance recipients' employability (by 12/1/01 this PHA will continue to attract supportive service classes.

12. PHA Community Service and Self-sufficiency Program

Adoption of Community Service policy

13. PHA Safety and Crime Prevention Measures

Removal of PHDEP information from PHA Plan. PHA did not receive funding.

14. Pet Policy

Adoption of Pet Policy for families and elderly/disabled

CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM TABLES START HERE

Annual Statement /Performance and Evaluation Report

Capital Funds Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CGPRHF) Part 1: Summary

PHA Name: HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY	Grant Type and Number: Capital Fund Program No: TX59-P396-50100 Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:	Federal FY of Grant: 2000
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- Original Annual Statement
 Reserved for Disasters/Emergencies
 Revised Annual Statement/Revision Number _____
 Performance and Evaluation Report for Program Year Ending 12/31/00
 Final Performance and Evaluation Report for Program Year Ending _____

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost		Total Actual Cost	
		Original	Revised	Obligated	Expended
1					
2	1406 Operating Expenses				
3	1408 Management Improvements				
4	1410 Administration	14,200.00		0.00	0.00
5	1411 Audit				
6	1415 Liquidated Damages				
7	1430 Fees and Costs	17,311.00		0.00	0.00
8	1440 Site Acquisition				
9	1450 Site Improvement	17,000.00		0.00	0.00
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	108,500.00		0.00	0.00
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	9,500.00		0.00	0.00
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures				
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment				
14	1485 Demolition				
15	1490 Replacement Reserve				
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration				
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs				
18	1499 Development Activities				
19	1501 Collateralization or Debt Service				
20	1502 Contingency	3,762.00		0.00	0.00
21	Amount of Annual Grant (sums of lines 2-20)	170,273.00		0.00	0.00
22	Amount of line 21 Related to LBP Activities				
23	Amount of Line 21 Related to Section 504 Compliance				
24	Amount of Line 21 Related to Security - Soft Costs				
25	Amount of Line 21 Related to Security - Hard Costs				
26	Amount of Line 21 Related to Energy Conservation Measures				

Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report and Evaluation Report
Capital Fund Program and Capital Fund Program Replacement Housing Factor (CFP/CFPRHF)
Part II: Supporting Pages

PHA Name: HOUSING AUTHORITY OF STARR COUNTY		Grant Type and Number: Capital Fund Program No: TX59-P396-50100 Replacement Housing Factor Grant No:					Federal FY of Grant: 2000	
Development Number Name/HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Dev. Acct No.	Quantity	Total Estimated Cost		Total Actual Cost		Status of Work
				Original	Revised	Funds Obligated	Funds Expended	
Agency-Wide	Management Improvement							
TX396	PHAS/QHWRA Training	1408		1,200.00		0.00	0.00	
	Inventory System	1408		3,500.00		0.00	0.00	
	Board of Commissioners' Training	1408		1,500.00		0.00	0.00	
	Staff Training	1408		3,000.00		0.00	0.00	
	Maintenance Technical Training	1408		2,000.00		0.00	0.00	
	General Technical Assistance	1408		3,000.00		0.00	0.00	
	Total - 1408			14,200.00				
	Fees & Costs							
	A/E Services	1430		8,905.00		0.00	0.00	
	Inspection Costs	1430		2,906.00		0.00	0.00	
	Printing Costs	1430		500.00		0.00	0.00	
	Consultant Fees/Annual Statement/Consortia	1430		5,000.00		0.00	0.00	
	Total - 1430			17,311.00				
	Non-Dwelling Equipment							
	Replace copier machine	1475		6,000.00		0.00	0.00	
	Provide Walkie-Talkies/Two-Way radios	1475		3,500.00		0.00	0.00	
	Total - 1475			9,500.00				
	Contingency							
	May no exceed 8% of total grant	1502		3,762.00		0.00	0.00	
	Total - 1502			3,762.00		0.00	0.00	
	Total for Agency-Wide			44,773.00		0.00	0.00	

