

PHA 5-Year and Annual Plan	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing	OMB No. 2577-0226 Expires 4/30/2011
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City of Inglewood Housing Authority

Streamlined 5-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2009 - 2014

and

Streamlined Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2009 - 2010

1.0 PHA Information

PHA Name: City of Inglewood Housing Authority

PHA Code: 082

PHA Type: Small High Performing Standard HCV (Section 8)

PHA Fiscal Year Beginning: 10/2009

2.0 Inventory (based on ACC units at time of FY beginning in 1.0 above) 1002

3.0 Submission Type

5-Year and Annual Plan Annual Plan Only 5-Year Plan Only

4.0 PHA Consortia N/A

5.0 5-Year Plan.

5.1 Mission.

The Inglewood Housing Authority’s mission is essentially the same as the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It is our intention to fully endorse and manage a program designed to:

- Provide a decent, safe and sanitary place to live and raise families; and
- Promote affordable housing, economic opportunities and stability; and
- Provide a living environment free from discrimination; and
- Help create and maintain a safe and drug-free community.

The Inglewood Housing Authority’s (IHA) primary focus is on upgrading service delivery to our participants and owners along with continuing on our path to improve compliance with HUD policies. IHA’s specific areas of focus include, but are not limited to, requesting an increase in the supply of vouchers for very low-income families that we service and wish to service; increasing the number of “leased-up” waitlist applicants; working closely with Inter-City departments such as: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Redevelopment, Building & Safety, Code Enforcement and the Inglewood Police Department (IPD). IHA will continue to actively work with various law enforcement agencies as well as the HUD Office of the Inspector General (OIG) Office of Investigations in regards to fraud, program abuse and criminal activity committed by participants. As such, our goal is to continue to improve the quality of life for both, our participants and the community as a whole. Likewise, IHA will maintain its collaboration with local non-profit agencies to ensure fair housing and general social service needs.

In April 2002, the IHA developed a Housing Choice Voucher Homeownership Policy and Program. The Board of Commissioners approved the policy and program in November 2002. The program was implemented in June 2003. Our first participant purchased a condo in July 2003. As of July 2007, nine clients have purchased homes/condos. The IHA’s goal has been to increase the number of Section 8 Homeowners through the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program, increased employment, job training, education/trade school, credit/financial counseling and homebuyer education courses.

5.2 Goals and Objectives.

- Since the submission of the 2004-2009 Streamlined 5-Year Plan, the IHA has significantly improved compliance with HUD policies. The IHA completed its 2005-2006 Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to HUD standards. Our SEMAP score (115) is highly satisfactory and, as of January 2007, the IHA is no longer in “trouble status”.
- The IHA has increased customer satisfaction. 95% of the customer service surveys, completed by our participants, gave positive feedback as to the quality of our service.
- Conducting Quality Control HQS Inspections and Criminal Background Investigations (CBIs), in accordance with our Applicant Screening Policy, are measures set in place in order to provide safe and suitable living environments for our participants.
- In keeping with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, our “Available Housing List” clearly designates handicap accessible units. When medical apparatus is necessary, we also accommodate participants with an extra bedroom. Likewise, if necessary, a live-in care attendant will be added to the household.
- To ensure Fair Housing, the Inglewood Housing Authority (IHA) works in conjunction with the Inglewood Tenant’s Rights Association, Housing Rights Center and Los Angeles Legal Aid. We refer participants, as well as fair market renters, with discrimination and other rental concerns to the above organizations. And, pamphlets, brochures and/or information are available, to the public, in our lobby.
- With the assistance of the City of Inglewood’s Finance Department, in January 2007, the IHA recouped \$1 million of billing owed from HACLA. The IHA recently upgraded to Housing Pro software. This software gives specific reports on Housing Authorities who are in arrears with their billing. Likewise, IHA will establish a policy for fraudulent landlords who owe the IHA. It is our intention to have this policy completed, approved by HUD and implemented by the end of this fiscal year.
- Since 2004, IHA has significantly increased its program abuse and fraud prevention through the use of the Upfront Income Verification/Electronic Income Verification (UIV/EIV) System, our Screening Policy, HUD OIG court prosecutions and actively investigating fraud allegations provided by anonymous callers, law enforcement and inter-industry agencies such as other Housing Authorities, the Los Angeles County Welfare & Fraud Prevention and other social service providers. Our Section 8 Applicant/Tenant Screening process improves the safety of our participants as well as the community.
- Currently the IHA has 10 active court cases with HUD OIG. IHA currently receives, from the Los Angeles County Probation Dept., monthly restitution payments for over 15 HUD OIG prosecutions. Likewise, we have 30 repayment agreements for participants who owe the IHA \$2,000 or less. And by year’s end, the IHA will utilize the California Tax Franchise Board’s Intercept Program in order to recoup monies owed through fraudulent participant’s garnished State Income Tax Returns.
- The IHA waitlist was last purged on April 21, 2008. As of May 27, 2009, we have a total of 772 active applicants on our list. 25 were pulled off the list. Of that, 5 are “leased-up”, 2 are in the process of leasing, and another 10 are slated for voucher activation.
- In January 2003, the Inglewood Housing Authority (IHA) implemented a Section 8 Homeownership Program. To date, 250 homeowner vouchers were issued and 9 participants have successfully purchased a home/condo in the City of Inglewood. Our Homeownership program increases the economic viability of our participants. They have appreciation for and pride in their property and neighborhood. They now have a vested interest in the community.

6.0 PHA Plan Update

(a) **Identify all PHA Plan elements that have been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission.**

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- The IHA has increased customer satisfaction. 95% of the customer service surveys, completed by our participants, gave positive feedback as to the quality of our service.
- Effective June 1, 2009, with the exception of Reasonable Accommodation, the Occupancy Standard is two (2) persons per bedroom. (Live-in aides will be issued a separate bedroom).

(b) **Identify the specific location(s) where the public may obtain copies of the 5-Year and Annual PHA Plan.**

The Plans are available for public review in the IHA office and City of Inglewood public library.

PHA Plan Elements:

(1) **Eligibility, Selection and Admission.**

The IHA targets “very low” income limits for all new admissions. The pool of applicant families ensures that the IHA will meet income targeting requirements. There are no established preferences for admission. Applicants are selected by date and time of application. Applications were taken in July 2000. The waiting list is closed. It was last purged on April 21, 2008. The IHA has 772 active applicants on the list. In accordance with the IHA Applicant Screening Policy, the Inglewood Police Department performs criminal background checks on new applicants and port-ins. The IHA does not have unit assignment policies.

(2) **Financial Resources.**
Sources:

• FY 2009-2010 Annual contributions for Section 8:	\$6,749,738
• Administrative Fees:	<u>1,808,634</u>
• Total:	\$8,558,372
• FYs 2009-2014 Annual Contributions for Section 8:	\$33,748,690
• HOME (Homeownership):	50,000
• Administrative Fees:	<u>9,043,170</u>
• Total:	42,841,860

(3) **Rent Determination.**

The IHA’s payment standard is at or above 90% but, due to budget constraints, below 100% of FMR. At the beginning of each fiscal year, payment standards are evaluated for adequacy. The IHA takes into consideration: Success rates and rent burdens of families, rent reasonableness, increases in utility rates and budget constraints. In extenuating circumstances and as a reasonable accommodation, the IHA will make discretionary minimum rent hardship exemptions.

(4) **Operation and Management.**

The IHA conducts annual HQS inspections as well as quality control on 5% of all annual inspections.

An organizational chart showing the IHA's management structure and organization is attached. (Attachment D). Management and Maintenance policies may be found in the IHA's Administrative Plan and City of Inglewood's Consolidated Plan.

(5) **Grievance Procedures.**

Management staff reviews all appeals on all adverse actions. The Housing Authority Advisory Commission conducts proposed termination of participation hearings on a monthly basis.

(6) **Designated Housing for Elderly and Disabled Families.**

The IHA has no public housing projects.

(7) **Community Service and Self-Sufficiency.**

(1) IHA provides social service referrals and ensures fair housing by working in conjunction with the Inglewood Tenant's Rights Association, Housing Rights Center and Los Angeles Legal Aid. Pamphlets, brochures and information are available, in our lobby, to the public.

(2) Our Section 8 Homeownership Program promotes economic viability and stability to assisted families.

(8) **Safety and Crime Prevention.** N/A No Public Housing.

(9) **Pets.** N/A

(10) **Civil Rights Certification.** (See attached certifications).

(11) **Fiscal Year Audit.**

Results of the most recent fiscal audit, performed by Simpson & Simpson, CPA on September 30, 2007, are available. There were no findings as a result of the audit. At the present, the September 2008 audit report is incomplete due to staffing shortages and software difficulties in the City of Inglewood's Finance Department. The audit is expected to be completed within the next several months.

(12) **Asset Management.** N/A. No Public Housing.

(13) **Violence Against Women Act. (VAWA).**

The IHA complies with HUD regulations in regards to VAWA. The IHA Administrative Plan, Chapter 17, "Mitigating Circumstances", outlines our VAWA policy and procedures. The IHA also utilizes the revised HAP Contract form 52641 and Tenancy Addendum form 52641A. VAWA, Domestic Violence Hotline and Battered Women Shelter flyers are posted on information bulletin boards in the office. Brochures for the Alternatives to Violence, Jenesse Center, Inc., and Long Beach Battered Women and are displayed in our lobby. The IHA solicits and encourages the participation of social service providers. Outside of social service referrals, providing list of shelters, hotlines and offering a reasonable accommodation and portability based on VAWA, the IHA has no direct activities, services or programs for VAWA.

7.0 Hope VI, Mixed Finance Modernization or Development, Demolition and/or Disposition, Conversion of Public Housing, Homeownership Programs, and Project-based Vouchers.

- (a) Hope VI or Mixed Finance Modernization or Development. – N/A
- (b) Demolition and/or Disposition. – N/A
- (c) Conversion of Public Housing. – N/A
- (d) Homeownership.

The Inglewood Housing Authority (IHA) has the capacity to successfully operate a Section 8 homeownership program. The IHA has 8 participants in the homeownership program.

- (e) Project-based Vouchers. – N/A

8.0 Capital Improvements. N/A

8.1 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement and Evaluation Report. N/A

8.2 Capital Fund Program Five-Year Action Plan. N/A

8.3 Capital Fund Financing Program (CFFP). N/A

9.0 Housing Needs.

Housing Needs of Families on the IHA’s Waiting List			
Waiting list type:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 8 tenant-based assistance			
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	772		10
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	725	93.92%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	24	3.11%	
Low income (>50% but <80% AMI)	23	2.98%	
*Race: Black	674	87.31%	
*Race: Hispanic/Latino	84	10.88%	
*Race: White	5	0.65%	
*Race: Other	9	1.17%	

* surnames

Source:

- **The IHA’s Housing Pro (File Maker Pro 9) Happy Software – Waiting List; and**
- **The City of Inglewood’s Consolidated Plan FY 2007-2010 (Adopted August 2007). Of that, the Consolidated Plan indicates general statistics of the City:**

- **Percentage of Extremely Low (EL), Low (L) and Moderately Low (M) income:**

	EL	L	M
Blacks	10.7%	5.7%	9.0%
Hispanic	5.7%	5.9%	8.1%
White	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%

- **Cost Burdens: 84% of City renters are EL income**

- **Over Crowding:**

30% of City renters are EL
40% of renters are L

9.1 Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs.

- Maintain or increase Section 8 lease-up rates.
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- Establish payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the City.
- Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the IHA, regardless of unit size required.
- Participate in the City of Inglewood’s Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies.
- Offer the Homeownership Program as a Housing Choice option.
- Pursuing other housing resources other than Section 8 tenant-based assistance.
- Target 70% of families at or below 30% AMI.
- Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly and families with disabilities, should they become available.
- Obtain assistance from local non-profit agencies that assist the elderly and families with disabilities.
- Seek alternative affordable housing available to the elderly and families with disabilities.
- Increase awareness of IHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs.
- Continue to work in conjunction with organizations that assist families of races or ethnicities with disproportionate needs.
- Continue to make information available to participants and families of races or ethnicities with disproportionate needs.
- Continue to utilize our Customer Service Surveys to obtain vital feedback from participants and those seeking affordable housing.
- Counsel participants as to the 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 or minority concentration.
- Continue to counsel participants on Fair Housing, refer them to appropriate agencies and inform them of upcoming Fair Housing Rights meetings.
- Make bilingual housing staff, information and materials accessible to participants.

10.0 Additional Information.

(a) Progress in Meeting Mission and Goals.

The Inglewood Housing Authority (IHA) is meeting its mission and goals of upgrading service delivery to our clients in various ways throughout the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

- The Homeownership Program affords eligible participants the option of homeownership and economic viability. The program is available to assist all eligible participants including senior citizens and persons with disabilities. The program partners with a local Homeownership Center in which IHA participants are eligible for the City of Inglewood's First-Time Homebuyer loans, receive financial, credit counseling, enroll in a matching funds program and complete homebuyer education courses.
- IHA has processed approximately 740 portable vouchers thereby serving more very low-income families.
- IHA Applicant/Tenant Screening Policy continues to be maintained by IHA staff in conjunction with the Inglewood Police Department (IPD).
- The IHA has increased its work with the HUD Office of the Inspector General's Office of Investigations to combat program abuse and fraud. The IHA has significantly stepped up its efforts to investigate and terminate families found to be in violation of the family obligations of the program, such as unreported and under-reported household income, allowing unauthorized persons to occupy the subsidized unit, non-compliance of lease agreements, and criminal, gang, and drug-related activity.

(b) Significant Amendment and Substantial Deviation/Modification. Provide the PHA's definition of "significant amendment" and substantial deviation/modification"

The Inglewood Housing Authority's (IHA) definition of substantial deviation and significant amendment or modification:

Modifications to the Housing Choice Voucher Program as specified by HUD notices, guidelines, statute or regulations and governed by HUD are presented to the board for approval prior to implementation and submitted to HUD, via Annual Plan and Administrative Plan, for approval.

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Chapter 17

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

INTRODUCTION

Reasonable accommodation is intended to provide persons with disabilities equal opportunity to participate in the Housing Choice Voucher Program through the modification of policies and procedures.

For purposes of reasonable accommodation and program accessibility for persons with disabilities, the term “person with disabilities” means an individual with handicaps as defined in 24 CFR 8.3(b).

Mitigating circumstances are verifiable facts that overcome or outweigh negative information.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

It is the policy of the IHA to be service directed in the administration of our housing programs, to maintain the integrity of all programs and to exercise and demonstrate a high level of professionalism while providing housing services to families. The IHA’s policies and practices are designed to provide assurances that persons with disabilities will be given reasonable accommodations, upon request, so that they may fully access and utilize the housing program and related services. The availability of requesting an accommodation will be made known by including notices on IHA forms and letters. This policy is intended to afford persons with disabilities an equal opportunity to obtain the same result, to gain the same benefit, or to reach the same level of achievement as those who do not have disabilities and is applicable to all situations described in this administrative plan including when a family initiates contact with the IHA, when the IHA initiates contact with a family including when a family applies, and when the IHA schedules or reschedules appointments of any kind.

To be eligible to request a reasonable accommodation, the requester must first certify (if apparent) or verify (if necessary) that they are a person with a disability under the following ADA definition:

- A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of an individual;
- A record of such impairment; or
 - Being regarded as having such impairment.

Rehabilitated former drug users and alcoholics are covered under the ADA. However, a current drug user is not covered. In accordance with 5.403(a), individuals are not considered disabled for eligibility purposes solely on the basis of any drug or alcohol dependence. Individuals whose drug or alcohol addiction is a material factor to their disability are excluded from the definition. Individuals are considered disabled if disabling mental and physical limitations would persist if drug or alcohol abuse discontinued.

Once the person's status as a qualified person with a disability is confirmed, the IHA will require that a professional third party competent to make the assessment provides written verification that the person needs the specific accommodation due to their disability and the change is required for them to have equal access to the housing program.

If the IHA finds that the requested accommodation creates an undue administrative or financial burden, the IHA will deny the request and/or present an alternate accommodation that will still meet the need of the person.

An undue administrative burden is one that requires a fundamental alteration of the essential functions of the HA (i.e. waiving a family obligation).

An undue financial burden is one that when considering the available resources of the agency as a whole, the requested accommodation would pose a severe financial hardship on the HA (i.e. facility alterations during budget deficits).

The IHA will provide a written decision to the person requesting the accommodation within ten (10) working days. If a person is denied the accommodation or feels that the alternative suggestions are inadequate, they may request an informal hearing to review the IHA's decision. The request must be in writing, within ten (10) working days of the decision.

Reasonable accommodation will be made for persons with a disability that requires an advocate or accessible offices. A designee will be allowed to provide some information, but only with the permission of the person with the disability.

All IHA mailings will be made available in an accessible format upon request, as a reasonable accommodation.

Verification of Disability

The IHA will verify disabilities under definitions in the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, and Americans with Disabilities Act.

A reasonable accommodation is made in response to individual requests from a qualified person with disabilities. In general, the person with disabilities will suggest an accommodation that he/she believes to be effective, and the Housing Specialist will determine whether the requested accommodation is reasonable from their viewpoint. The Housing Specialist may also suggest other accommodations that are less burdensome to the Housing Authority. The Housing Specialist may ask the applicant/participant to verify through a qualified source that his/her condition warrants the accommodation requested.

Authority

The City of Inglewood Housing Authority does not have the authority to waive federal regulations in response to a request for a reasonable accommodation. A request for reasonable accommodation that cannot be granted by the IHA may be forwarded to HUD. All requests must be accompanied by the appropriate verification as required by the IHA and by HUD.

As a reasonable accommodation, a Housing Supervisor may approve an exception payment standard that is higher than that normally used, but still at or below 110% of the FMR, as a reasonable accommodation for a family containing a person with a documented disability. To grant a payment standard above 110% of the FMR as a reasonable accommodation for a family with a person with a disability, the Housing Specialist must send a request through the Housing Supervisor to obtain HUD approval.

Obligation

The Housing Specialist's obligation to make an accommodation that is effective (i.e. one which overcomes barriers to equal access and facilitates the use of the housing program) provided that the accommodation is reasonable (i.e. does not cause an undue burden or cause a fundamental alteration in the nature of the housing program).

A reasonable accommodation is unique to the needs of the person as a result of his/her disability; therefore, each requires an individualized assessment. On a case-by-case basis, the Housing Specialists must consider requests for reasonable accommodation. A Housing Specialist must accept and analyze all requests for reasonable accommodation. A Housing Specialist must respond, in writing, to all applicants/participants requesting a reasonable accommodation.

The Housing Specialist's obligation to consider, and where reasonable, grant accommodations ends when program participation terminates. The IHA will provide each Housing Specialist with written procedures for processing and evaluating reasonable accommodation requests.

If an applicant or participant asserts that a previous failure to comply with essential tenancy or program obligations is a result of a disability, it is up to the applicant/participant to propose a reasonable accommodation, which if implemented, would result in compliance with essential program provisions. The Housing Specialist may require verification that the proposed accommodation would allow the participant to comply with essential program requirements. However, the Housing Specialist cannot require such actions as a condition of initial or continued program participation.

Reasonable accommodation decisions will be made by the Housing Specialist in a timely manner (within ten (10) working days), and, will be documented in writing, and, if applicable, in another format accessible to the requester. A Housing Specialist must agree to communicate with a representative of the family, including when applicable, a family relations worker, social worker, and other community worker. An agreement to make accommodations will include terms, conditions and performance expectations for all parties, and if appropriate, a schedule.

Reinstatement and Provisions for Resumption of Assistance

If a participant who has not been informed of the Housing Authority's reasonable accommodation policy and has been terminated from the program or left the program for reasons related to a recognized disability after the effective date of this plan, he/she may be reinstated under all of the following circumstances:

- Not more than one (1) year has passed from the effective date of the termination; **and**
- He/She is able to provide verification of his or her ability to comply with the essential program requirements which was the cause for the termination; **and,**
- The IHA has a subsidy available to issue.

NOTE: It must be established by the family that the previous unacceptable behavior (which must be defined specifically) did, in fact, occur because of the disability, and that in the future, the family could reasonably be expected to be program compliant because of a change in circumstances.

The IHA may require the former participant to verify that:

- He/she had or has a disability;
- The problems were caused by the disability; and
- Present treatment, or reasonable accommodation, can reasonably be expected to prevent recurrence of the problem.

Illustrative Examples of Reasonable Accommodations

If part of the poor tenant history of an applicant, or former participant with disabilities relates to failure to comply with treatment, the IHA may properly inquire about the reasonable expectation that the applicant will comply with current treatment.

For example, it may be an appropriate accommodation to delay or cancel a termination proceeding. If a reasonable accommodation request is pending, the program termination could be stayed until a decision is made. If the program violation is subject to cure, the participant cures the violation, and a reasonable accommodation makes certain that the violation will not be repeated, the program termination could be canceled. The simple provision of a second chance in the absence of any action to cure the violation or prevent a recurrence is not likely to be an appropriate accommodation.

If an applicant or former participant is being (re) admitted by virtue of a reasonable accommodation, the Housing Specialist may not make continued receipt of the treatment, care or assistance a requirement of continued program participation. Once an applicant is (re) admitted, the standard for remaining in occupancy is continued program compliance.

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

Mitigating circumstances are verifiable facts that overcome or outweigh negative information. Mitigating circumstances can apply to all families, not just to families with disabilities.

Considering mitigating circumstances for a family with disabilities is a reasonable accommodation, and thus a requirement.

Effect on Denial or Termination of Assistance

The IHA has the discretion to consider mitigating factors presented by the family when deciding whether or not to deny or terminate assistance. Should the IHA decide not to deny or terminate a family's assistance due to mitigating circumstances, the IHA must document this fact in the family's file and attach any documentation to support this decision.

It is not the IHA's responsibility to inquire as to whether there were mitigating circumstances. However, if the family claims mitigating circumstances, it is up to the IHA to determine whether it believes the circumstances are valid. The family must provide documentation that establishes the validity of the claim. The IHA is the final judge of what constitutes adequate and credible documentation.

Mitigating factors can be, but are not limited to, considering the seriousness of an offense, the extent of participation by other family members, and the effect that the denial or termination may have on the household. The IHA has discretion to determine an appropriate remedy, and may permit the remaining household members to continue to receive assistance and may impose a condition that the offending household member will not reside in the unit. A signed statement to that effect will be required by the IHA.

In accordance with the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996, a Housing Authority may require the family member(s) involved in the illegal use of a controlled substance or abuse of alcohol to submit evidence of: 1) successful completion of a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program; 2) successful rehabilitation by other means; or, 3) current participation in a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program, as a condition of being allowed to begin or continue participation in the Section 8 program.

Mitigating circumstances may exist such that the IHA believes that granting assistance to an applicant is warranted even though the applicant meets one of the criteria for denying assistance. For example, in the case of criminal activity, where the family member that caused the problem is no longer part of the household.

In cases where a family was evicted or had its assistance terminated by another administering agency, the IHA must do its own investigation into the cause, how long ago it occurred, and whether the family composition is the same before determining whether to deny or terminate assistance to that family. For example, it may not be appropriate to deny assistance to a family that was evicted from public housing for damage to the unit where a family member who no longer resides with the household did the damage.

The IHA may automatically reinstate applicants on the waiting list if the agency reasonably believes that extenuating circumstances interfered with the ability of the applicant to keep his or her waiting list information current.

IHA requires that families give the IHA at least a calendar month written notice before moving to a new unit.

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Domestic Violence as a Mitigation Circumstance – Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 2005.

There is no question that domestic violence can be a mitigating factor in a family's failure to comply with any program requirement. Pursuant to Public Law 109-162. Sections 606 and Section 607 amend the Section 8 and public housing sections of the U.S. Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f and 1437d) VAWA to protect victims of criminal domestic or dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, as well as members of the victim's immediate families from losing their HUD assisted housing as a consequence of the abuse of which they were the victim.

The IHA will notify tenants of their rights under VAWA and, will also, notify owners of their rights and obligations under VAWA. IHA is committed to protecting participants and their immediate family members who are victims of domestic or dating violence or stalking **from being evicted or terminated from housing assistance based on acts of such violence against them.** Criminal activity directly related to domestic or dating violence or stalking, engaged in by a member of a participant's or applicant's household or any guest or other person under the participant's control, **shall not be cause for termination or denial of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of the participant or an immediate member of the participant's family if he/she is the victim or threatened victim of that abuse.** An incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic or dating violence, or stalking **will not** be construed as serious or repeated violations of the lease by the victim or threatened victim of that violence and will not be "good cause" for termination of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy.

Terminate/Removal of Family Member(s):

Under the authority of 24 CFR 982.552 (c) (2), **IHA may terminate assistance for certain family members (the perpetrator) while permitting other members of the family to continue receiving assistance,** provided the culpable family member will no longer reside in the unit. And, **an owner may bifurcate a lease or remove a household member from a lease,** without regard to whether a household member is a signatory to the lease, in order to evict, remove, terminate occupancy rights, or terminate assistance to any individual who is a tenant or lawful occupant and **who engages in criminal acts of physical violence against family members or others.**

Portability:

The IHA may provide an exception to the prohibition against a family moving under the portability provisions in violation of the lease. VAWA provides that the family may receive a voucher and move, in violation of the lease, under the portability procedures if the family has complied with all other obligations of the voucher program and has moved out of the assisted dwelling unit in order to protect the health or safety of an individual who is or has been the victim of domestic or dating violence or stalking and who reasonably believed he or she was imminently threatened by harm from further violence if he or she remained in the assisted dwelling unit. The IHA may allow a family to move under portability procedures if the only basis for the denial is that the family is violating the lease agreement. The IHA may request that the family provide the HUD approved certification form or other acceptable documentation in order to verify the family's claim that the request to move is prompted by incidences of abuse in the unit.

Certification of Domestic or Dating Violence or Stalking.

Sections 606 and 607 of VAWA add certification and confidentiality provisions that allow PHAs, owners or managers responding to an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic or dating violence or stalking that may affect participation in the housing program, to request, in writing, that an individual complete, sign and submit, within 14 business days of the request, a HUD approved certification form. IHA will make the form available to all eligible individuals. On the form, the individual certifies that he/she is a victim of domestic or dating violence or stalking, and that the incident or incidences in question are bona fide incidences of such actual or threatened abuse. The individual shall provide the name of the perpetrator on the certification form.

In lieu, or in addition to, the certification form, the individual may provide a police report or court record (affidavit, restraining or civil protection order), other credible evidence, documentation signed and attested by a second party (professional medical records) from whom the victim has sought assistance in addressing domestic or dating violence or stalking or effects of abuse. The second party will attest, under penalty of perjury, to their belief that the incident or incidents in question are bona fide incidents of abuse. The victim must, also, sign the attested documentation.

Neither a Housing Authority nor owner is required to demand that an individual produce official documentation or physical proof of the abuse in order to receive the protections of VAWA. It is at their discretion to provide assistance based solely on the individual's statement or other corroborating evidence. However, if it is the intention of the individual to submit the certification form or other documented evidence, they must do so within the 14 business days.

In the event of termination or start of an eviction proceeding, IHA may enclose the form with the appropriate notice and direct the individual to complete, sign and return the form by a specified date.

All information provided to IHA or an owner relating to incident(s) of the aforementioned, must be retained in confidence and **must neither** be entered into any shared database nor provided to a related entity, **except** to the extent that the disclosure is (i) requested or consented by the individual in writing; (ii) required for use in an eviction proceeding or termination of assistance; or (iii) otherwise required by application law. The certification form provides notice to the individual of the confidentiality of the form and the limits thereof.

Definitions:

- **Domestic Violence** – Includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitated with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.
- **Dating Violence** – Violence committed by a person (a) who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and (b) where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors (i) the length of the relationship; (ii) the type of relationship; and (iii) the frequency of the interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
- **Stalking** – to follow, pursue, or repeatedly commit acts with the intent to kill, injure, harass, or intimidate; or to place under surveillance with the intent to kill, injure, harass, or intimidate another person; and in the course of, or as a result of, such following, pursuit, surveillance, or repeatedly committed acts, to place a person in reasonable fear of the death of, or serious bodily injury to, or to cause substantial emotional harm to (i) that person; (ii) a member of the immediate family of that person; or (iii) the spouse or intimate partner of that person.
- **Immediate Family Member** – a spouse, parent, brother or sister, or child of the person, or an individual to whom that person stands in place of a parent; or any other person living in the household of that person and related to that person by blood or marriage.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Any information provided pursuant to the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) shall neither be entered into any shared database nor provided to any related entity, except to the extent that disclosure is requested or consented to by the individual in writing; required for use in an eviction proceeding of an abuser, stalker or perpetrator of domestic violence; or is otherwise required by applicable law.

STATE AND LOCAL LAWS

Some states have passed laws effecting applicants, tenants, owners and landlords that are more stringent than requirements of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). Many states have related laws pending. You may want to check with your state and/or city for the most current state and local laws protecting victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.

VIOLENCE **A**GAINST **W**OMEN **A**CT

What Applicants, Tenants, Owners and Landlords Need to Know

**Applicable to Public Housing and
Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher
Programs**

Effective January 5, 2006



VAWA PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC HOUSING AND SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER ASSISTANCE APPLICANTS

A Public Housing Agency (PHA), owner or landlord may not deny admission to an applicant (male or female) who has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking if the applicant otherwise qualifies for assistance or admission.

To qualify for public housing or housing choice voucher assistance, all applicants, including victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, must, at a minimum:

- meet the local PHA's definition of "family";
- be income eligible;
- have at least one family member who is a U.S. citizen or has eligible immigration status;
- pass criminal background screening;
- have no outstanding debt to the PHA; and
- meet all other local PHA screening criteria.

Some, but not all, PHAs give preference to applicants who are victims of domestic violence. If you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, ask if the PHA gives this preference. If they do, the PHA may request that you provide a certification documenting the situation. If you fail to provide a requested certification within 14 business days after receiving the request, your request for a preference may be denied.

VAWA PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC HOUSING TENANTS AND HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Reporting incidents of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking to law enforcement, victim's rights advocates, and the PHA may help preserve your housing rights. The PHA may not deny, remove or terminate assistance to a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking based solely on such an incident or threat.

The PHA, an owner or landlord may deny, remove, or terminate assistance to an individual perpetrator of such

actions and continue to allow the victim or other household members to remain in the dwelling unit or receive housing assistance. This does not limit the authority of the PHA, owner or landlord to terminate your assistance for other criminal activity or good cause.

A Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Participant who is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking may request and be granted portability due to the incident or threat if they are otherwise compliant with all program obligations and the perpetrator has moved out of the dwelling unit.

In processing a request by a victim for continued assistance or for portability, the PHA may request that you certify that you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, and that the actual or threatened abuse meets the requirements set forth in the VAWA. Such certification must include the name of the perpetrator. If you do not provide the requested certification within 14 business days, your assistance may be terminated.

The Violence Against Women Act of 2005 (VAWA): A Fact Sheet for Public Housing Agencies

When did VAWA become effective, and who is required to comply with the law?

VAWA's housing provisions became effective January 5, 2006. HUD has issued notices instructing public housing agencies (PHAs) to implement the law without waiting for HUD to issue regulations. PHAs administering the public housing and Section 8 voucher programs and all landlords, owners, and managers participating in the Section 8 voucher and project-based programs must comply with VAWA.

What types of housing does VAWA cover, and whom does VAWA protect?

VAWA applies to public housing, the Section 8 voucher program, and project-based Section 8. VAWA protects anyone who is:

- (1) A victim of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, or an immediate family member of the victim (spouse, parent, sibling, child, or any other person living in the household who is related by blood or marriage); AND
- (2) Living in, or seeking admission to, public, Section 8 voucher, or project-based Section 8 housing.

How does VAWA affect admissions and terminations?

An individual's status as a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking is not an appropriate basis for denial of admission or denial of housing assistance.

VAWA establishes an exception to the "one-strike" criminal activity eviction rule. Actual or threatened criminal activity directly relating to domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking does not constitute grounds (either as a "serious or repeated violation of lease", or as "good cause") for terminating assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of the victim or an immediate family member of the victim.

Despite the protections described above, a PHA may still evict the victim if the PHA can demonstrate an "actual and imminent threat" to other tenants or employees of the property if the victim is not evicted. VAWA does not define "actual and imminent threat" or explain what evidence a PHA must provide.

What about criminal activity unrelated to abuse?

VAWA does not protect tenants if the criminal incident for which they are being evicted or denied admission is unrelated to domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking. In determining whether to evict, a PHA or owner may not hold a victim of abuse to a more demanding standard than other tenants.

Can the abuser alone be evicted or terminated?

A PHA may bifurcate a lease to evict or terminate assistance to a tenant who commits acts of violence against family members. This action may be taken without evicting or terminating assistance to the victim who is also a tenant. Bifurcation is applicable to all leases in the public housing or Section 8 programs. The eviction or termination must comply with federal, state, and local law.

How does VAWA affect portability?

A PHA may permit a family with a Section 8 voucher to relocate if the family is moving to protect the health or safety of an individual who is or has been the victim of abuse. A PHA may permit the family to

move even if the family's lease term has not yet expired. A PHA may ask for documentation regarding the family's desire to move.

Can a PHA ask for proof of the abuse?

PHAs may, but are not required to, ask an individual for certification that he or she is a victim of abuse if the individual seeks to assert VAWA's protections. At their discretion, PHAs may apply VAWA to an individual based solely on the individual's statement. ✂

A PHA may request that the individual certify that he or she is a victim of abuse by filling out a HUD-approved certification form. Instead of the certification form, the victim may provide:

- Documentation signed by the victim and a victim service provider, an attorney, or a medical professional in which the professional attests under penalty of perjury to the professional's belief that the victim has experienced bona fide incidents of abuse.
- A federal, state, tribal, territorial, or local police or court record.

After a PHA requests certification, an individual has fourteen business days to respond. If an individual fails to respond, a PHA may terminate assistance. However, a PHA is free to extend this timeframe.

Any information provided must be kept confidential. ✂ PHAs may not enter the information into any shared database or provide it to any related entity. The only exceptions are: (1) the victim consents to disclosure in writing; (2) the information is required for use in an eviction proceeding; or (3) disclosure is otherwise required by law.

Must a PHA provide notice of VAWA to tenants and owners?

PHAs must inform tenants and owners of their rights and obligations under VAWA. The information ✂ also must be included in public housing leases, Housing Assistance Payments contracts for the Section 8 Voucher program, tenancy addendums for the voucher program, and Project-Based Section 8 contracts.

How does VAWA affect the PHA planning process?

A PHA must include in its annual plan a description of any activities, services, or programs being undertaken to assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault. A PHA must include in its five-year plan a description of any goals, objectives, policies, or programs it uses to serve victims' housing needs.

What guidance is available?

- VAWA's public housing provisions are located at 42 U.S.C. § 1437d; the project-based Section 8 provisions are at 42 U.S.C. § 1437f(c), (d); the voucher provisions are at 42 U.S.C. § 1437f(o).
- HUD Notice PIH 2006-23: Directs PHAs to notify tenants and owners of VAWA.
- HUD Notice PIH 2006-42: Transmits Certification Form HUD-50066 and provides guidance to PHAs and owners regarding certification and confidentiality.
- Form HUD-50066: The HUD-approved certification form that applicants and tenants in public housing and the Section 8 voucher program may use to certify that they are victims of abuse.
- HUD Notice PIH 2007-5: Transmits the revised Housing Assistance Payments contract and Tenancy Addendum; provides guidance to PHAs and owners on bifurcation and portability.
- Form HUD-52641, Form HUD-52641A: The HAP contract and tenancy addendum as revised by HUD to reflect tenants' protections under VAWA.
- 72 Fed. Reg. 12,696 (Mar. 16, 2007): Identifies VAWA's provisions affecting HUD programs; identifies provisions that require program participants to take action to be in compliance.

JENESSE CENTER, INC.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Jenesse Center, Inc. is more than just a shelter for survivors of domestic violence. We are a family institute with training & educational programs, services and outreach efforts that rebuild lives, reunite families and enrich our community. Jenesse removes barriers to peace for families.

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide victims of domestic violence a comprehensive, centralized base of support and services that ensures their transition from immediate crisis, to stability and self-sufficiency.

Our Philosophy

The program is based on the philosophy and values that (a) domestic violence is a family issue (b) women and children are our primary clients (c) families should receive culturally sensitive and culturally competent services (d) children are equal victims of domestic violence (e) families must receive more than shelter – they must receive life skills (f) services must transform victims into survivors (g) services must be provided to populations that are generally turned away elsewhere and (h) public opinion and public policy must be impacted to combat domestic violence. The plan for transition to self-sufficiency is self determined with clients setting goals in conjunction with case managers.

Our Programs and Services*

Case Management

- Assists clients in assessing their needs and goals
- Coordinates the receipt of all services and participation in programmatic classes
- Advocacy for housing solutions and financial resources
- Client domestic violence certificate program

Vocational Education Program

- Pre-employment skills certification
- Professional Education: computer skills, resume writing, career training, job search
- Financial Freedom Program: budgeting, banking, saving
- School enrollment and Online degree programs

Mental Health Program

- Individual, group, peer, and family counseling by trained, registered MFT counselors
- Empowerment and enrichment classes
- Substance abuse and anger management classes

Legal Services

- Procure restraining orders
- Legal assistance to prevent further abuse, increase economic security, and encourage independent living
- Legal assistance in various areas including child custody, immigration law, landlord/tenant conflict and court accompaniment

Children and Adolescent's Enrichment Program

- Parenting classes
- Children's case management; individual and family counseling
- Tutoring and educational activities
- JMAC: After school parent-child relationship building program

Health

- Health coordinator assess all incoming clients
- Health care referrals and follow-up services
- Health educational classes: preventative medicine, nutrition, fitness and healthy living

Educational Programs

- 40 Hour Certified Domestic Violence Training
- Raising awareness in schools, businesses and the community about domestic violence
- Stop the Hurting Program for the education and prevention of workplace violence
- Health relationship presentations to adolescents

Facilities

Emergency Housing

Families may reside for 30 days

- On-site case management
- All meals provided
- Children's play area

Transitional Housing

Families may reside up to 2 years

- Seventeen 1-bedroom units
- Six 2-bedroom units
- Five 3-bedroom units
- Exercise room
- Recreational room
- Confidential counseling
- Children's areas

Educational Center

- Classroom
- Computer lab
- Confidential counseling
- Children's playroom

Legal Clinic

Inglewood Courthouse

One Regent Street

Inglewood, CA 90301

- Services available to anyone in need
- Lawyers & paralegals on staff
- Legal Advisory Committee

Administrative Office

3761 Stocker Street, Suite 100

Los Angeles, CA 90008

- Executive offices
- Conference room

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Domestic Violence Hotline

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Eradicating domestic violence and the cycle of community violence to which it contributes is a major priority of the District Attorney's Office. In November of 1994, the District Attorney established the Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Hotline to help victims find a safe way out of their abusive environments. This toll-free service routes Southern California victims of domestic violence directly to trained shelter personnel in Los Angeles County.

Funded through corporate and individual philanthropy, the hotline operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Callers can get help in eleven languages (English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Tagalog, Khmer, Japanese, Thai and Armenian). Thousands of victims have already utilized the hotline's services.

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Alternatives to Violence (ATV) was founded in 1979 by Alyce LaViolette as a program of WomenShelter, a refuge for battered women and their children in Long Beach, California. In 1984, the program moved into a private practice with the same philosophy and format as it had when affiliated with the shelter. Our goal is to facilitate the end of violence in intimate relationships and work toward the safety of battered persons.

ATV is a non-residential counseling program in Long Beach and West Los Angeles for the survivors and perpetrators of abuse as well as other victims of crime and trauma. Our services include community education as well as professional training programs on such topics as:

- Partner abuse
- Anger
- Clinical work with battered women
- Clinical work with abusers
- Sexism
- Partnership
- Negotiating anger in the workplace
- Assessment of dangerousness
- Prevention
- Violence in gay and lesbian relationships

Alternatives To Violence

Long Beach, CA

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Long Beach, CA 90803

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P.O. Box 4226
Lancaster, CA. 93539

Central & West Los Angeles

Good Shepherd Shelter (323) 737-6111
P.O. Box 19487
Los Angeles, CA. 90019

Pomona

House of Ruth (909) 623-4364
P.O. Box 459
Claremont, CA. 91711

San Fernando Valley

Haven Hills (818) 887-7481
P.O. Box 260
Canoga Park, CA. 91305

Tamar House Family Violence Project (818) 908-5007
8134 Van Nuys Blvd.
Panorama City, CA. 91402

WAVE
P.O. Box 950883
Mission Hills, CA. 91345-0883

San Gabriel Valley & East Los Angeles

Angel Step Inn (562)906-5061
P.O. Box 689
Downey, CA. 90241

Pathways DV Shelter (626) 350-4029
3800 Penn Marr
El Monte, CA. 91732

Glendale YWCA DV Project (818) 242-4155
735 East Lexington Drive

Glendale, CA. 91206

South Bay

1736 Family Crisis Center
103 Torrance Blvd. Suite 101
Redondo Beach, CA. 90277

(310) 372-4674

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WomenShelter of Long Beach

Organization WomenShelter of Long Beach
★★★★ (1 reviews)

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Mission Statement

The mission of WomenShelter of Long Beach is to help end the cycle of violence through intervention, prevention, and education.

Description

The WomenShelter of Long Beach is a non-profit organization that provides comprehensive support and services to victims and survivors of Domestic Violence. We are the only shelter for battered women and their children in Long Beach. We can house 8 women and up to 24 children in our shelter. Services received in our shelter program include but are not limited to- 30-day emergency housing, case management, social service and legal advocacy, peer and professional counseling, and crisis intervention. We also offer aftercare and outreach services, which include individual and/or group counseling, Cal-works assistance, legal advocacy, court accompaniment, medical assistance and referrals.

Would you recommend WomenShelter of Long Beach?

[Tell Us Why](#)

Average Review *★★★★ (1 reviews)*

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I feel it is important to reach out to others. To let them know they are not alone in the hard times of their lives. The people that help others in need have hearts like no others because they give all they have. These are the true Hero's.

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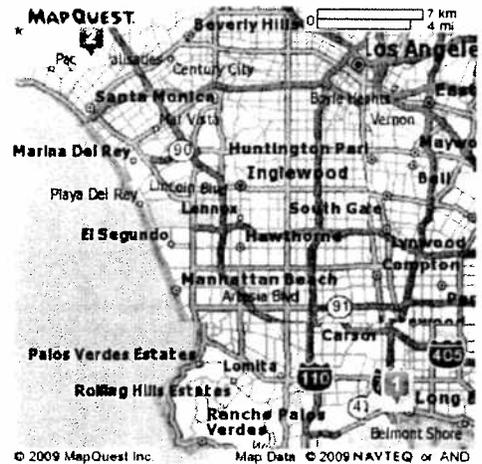
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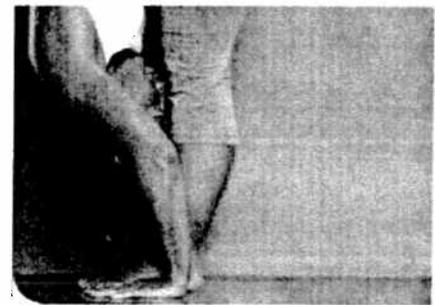
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Everyone deserves a violence-free home!

Since 1977, WomenShelter of Long Beach has helped thousands of families overcome the trauma caused by domestic abuse. WSLB assists victims and their children by providing safe shelter and supportive services. Many clients have moved on to healthy, productive and non-violent lives for themselves and their children.

WomenShelter of Long Beach offers an array of programs and services that include:

- **24-Hour Crisis Line**
Trained counselors respond to crisis calls from abused women and men, and provide support, assistance and emergency referral services. The crisis line receives approximately 3,000 calls annually.
- **Emergency Shelter**
The eight-bedroom, 29-bed facility provides 30-45 days of safe, emergency shelter for domestic violence victims and their children. During their stay, clients receive an array of necessary services including legal advocacy, individual and group counseling, and social services support to prepare them for transition back into the community. WomenShelter is one of the few facilities that assists families with teenaged children as well as victims from same-sex relationships, including men.
- **Domestic Violence Resource Center**
The Resource Center offers non-sheltered victims a variety of services, including individual and group counseling, legal advocacy, case management, social services and emergency food and clothing. The center is located at 930 Pacific Avenue in Long Beach.
- **D.A.R.T. (Domestic Abuse Response Team)**
In cooperation with the Long Beach Police Department, WomenShelter of Long Beach operates the D.A.R.T. program, which provides crisis intervention and counseling to domestic violence victims who have called for 911 assistance or who visit the emergency room due to their injuries. The specially trained counselors offer victims safe shelter and assistance.
- **Speaker's Bureau - Community Education**
WSLB board members, volunteers and staff are available to present information about domestic violence and the work of WomenShelter to your business, social service group, church, school or other organization. Community awareness is one way to help end the cycle of violence.

All services are confidential and provided free of charge. Services are provided in English, Spanish and Khmer.

The Children are Victims Too

WomenShelter of Long Beach recognizes that children are often the silent victims in cases of domestic violence. WSLB's Children's Development Center and Youth Services programs ensure that all children have a voice. At the shelter's Children's Development Center, young ones attend pre-school on-site, while older children receive home schooling until arrangements can be made for them to attend a local school.

All children receive age appropriate counseling and caring attention from the center's dedicated staff. At the Resource Center, non-sheltered children and teens benefit from ongoing counseling, assessment, and participation in WSLB's Domestic Violence Education and Empowerment Program. Helping the children of victims is an important step in ending the cycle of domestic violence.

WSLB
WomenShelter
of Long Beach

Is Domestic Violence Affecting You or Someone You Know?

Domestic violence isn't limited to spousal violence or one type of relationship. It knows no boundaries of profession, education, race, religion, gender, or nationality.

Ask yourself the following questions:

- Are you or someone you know frightened by a partner's temper? Does he/she threaten, humiliate, or humiliate? Have you or someone you know been pushed, shoved or hit?
- Do you or someone you know have the urge to "rescue" a partner and make excuses for his/her behavior?
- Do you believe the partner's behavior will change? Is he/she apologetic and "good" between physical or verbal outbursts?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, it's time to take a good look at your relationship or encourage the person involved in the relationship to consider seeking help.

Violence doesn't have to be a way of life. WomenShelter staff is available to help you understand your options and assist you in deciding which route is best. There are counseling services, support groups, or a safe place to stay. Remember, a phone call is the first step to change.

**24-Hour Crisis Line
(562) HER-HOME**



How can you make a difference?

- **SUPPORT** – You can join WomenShelter's fight against domestic violence by donating money to help fund the organization's vital programs and services. To shelter, feed and counsel a domestic abuse victim and her children for the 30-45 day treatment period costs nearly \$5,500. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.
 - **VOLUNTEER** – There are a variety of volunteer opportunities including assisting with clerical and administrative tasks or helping with fundraising activities and events. After attending a state-mandated, 40-hour training course, volunteers can have direct client contact including assisting on the crisis line, working in the Children's Center and co-facilitating groups.
 - **SPEAK OUT** – Domestic violence thrives in silence and denial. Don't tolerate acts of violence in your own life and speak to a friend who you think might be in an abusive situation.
 - **RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND** – Hiring people in your family isn't about frustration, and it's not excused by economic conditions, education level or cultural background. It's about power, pure and simple. Battery isn't limited to traditional families. Battery also exists in same-sex relationships, in senior relationships and in dating relationships. No one is immune.
- WomenShelter of Long Beach is an IRS 501(c)(3) Public Charity
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**PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations:
Board Resolution to Accompany the PHA 5-Year and Annual PHA Plan**

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairman or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioners, I approve the submission of the x 5-Year and/or x Annual PHA Plan for the PHA fiscal year beginning 2009, hereinafter referred to as "the Plan", of which this document is a part and make the following certifications and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in connection with the submission of the Plan and implementation thereof:

1. The Plan is consistent with the applicable comprehensive housing affordability strategy (or any plan incorporating such strategy) for the jurisdiction in which the PHA is located.
2. The Plan contains a certification by the appropriate State or local officials that the Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan, which includes a certification that requires the preparation of an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, for the PHA's jurisdiction and a description of the manner in which the PHA Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan.
3. The PHA certifies that there has been no change, significant or otherwise, to the Capital Fund Program (and Capital Fund Program/Replacement Housing Factor) Annual Statement(s), since submission of its last approved Annual Plan. The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement/Annual Statement/Performance and Evaluation Report must be submitted annually even if there is no change.
4. The PHA has established a Resident Advisory Board or Boards, the membership of which represents the residents assisted by the PHA, consulted with this Board or Boards in developing the Plan, and considered the recommendations of the Board or Boards (24 CFR 903.13). The PHA has included in the Plan submission a copy of the recommendations made by the Resident Advisory Board or Boards and a description of the manner in which the Plan addresses these recommendations.
5. The PHA made the proposed Plan and all information relevant to the public hearing available for public inspection at least 45 days before the hearing, published a notice that a hearing would be held and conducted a hearing to discuss the Plan and invited public comment.
6. The PHA certifies that it will carry out the Plan in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
7. The PHA will affirmatively further fair housing by examining their programs or proposed programs, identify any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs, address those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available and work with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement and maintain records reflecting these analyses and actions.
8. For PHA Plan that includes a policy for site based waiting lists:
 - The PHA regularly submits required data to HUD's 50058 PIC/IMS Module in an accurate, complete and timely manner (as specified in PIH Notice 2006-24);
 - The system of site-based waiting lists provides for full disclosure to each applicant in the selection of the development in which to reside, including basic information about available sites; and an estimate of the period of time the applicant would likely have to wait to be admitted to units of different sizes and types at each site;
 - Adoption of site-based waiting list would not violate any court order or settlement agreement or be inconsistent with a pending complaint brought by HUD;
 - The PHA shall take reasonable measures to assure that such waiting list is consistent with affirmatively furthering fair housing;
 - The PHA provides for review of its site-based waiting list policy to determine if it is consistent with civil rights laws and certifications, as specified in 24 CFR part 903.7(c)(1).
9. The PHA will comply with the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age pursuant to the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.
10. The PHA will comply with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 and 24 CFR Part 41, Policies and Procedures for the Enforcement of Standards and Requirements for Accessibility by the Physically Handicapped.
11. The PHA will comply with the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Employment Opportunities for Low-or Very-Low Income Persons, and with its implementing regulation at 24 CFR Part 135.

12. The PHA will comply with acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24 as applicable.
13. The PHA will take appropriate affirmative action to award contracts to minority and women's business enterprises under 24 CFR 5.105(a).
14. The PHA will provide the responsible entity or HUD any documentation that the responsible entity or HUD needs to carry out its review under the National Environmental Policy Act and other related authorities in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58 or Part 50, respectively.
15. With respect to public housing the PHA will comply with Davis-Bacon or HUD determined wage rate requirements under Section 12 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.
16. The PHA will keep records in accordance with 24 CFR 85.20 and facilitate an effective audit to determine compliance with program requirements.
17. The PHA will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, and 24 CFR Part 35.
18. The PHA will comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of OMB Circular No. A-87 (Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments), 2 CFR Part 225, and 24 CFR Part 85 (Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State, Local and Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments).
19. The PHA will undertake only activities and programs covered by the Plan in a manner consistent with its Plan and will utilize covered grant funds only for activities that are approvable under the regulations and included in its Plan.
20. All attachments to the Plan have been and will continue to be available at all times and all locations that the PHA Plan is available for public inspection. All required supporting documents have been made available for public inspection along with the Plan and additional requirements at the primary business office of the PHA and at all other times and locations identified by the PHA in its PHA Plan and will continue to be made available at least at the primary business office of the PHA.
21. The PHA provides assurance as part of this certification that:
 - (i) The Resident Advisory Board had an opportunity to review and comment on the changes to the policies and programs before implementation by the PHA;
 - (ii) The changes were duly approved by the PHA Board of Directors (or similar governing body); and
 - (iii) The revised policies and programs are available for review and inspection, at the principal office of the PHA during normal business hours.
22. The PHA certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable Federal statutory and regulatory requirements.

Inglewood Housing Authority

CA 082

PHA Name

PHA Number/HA Code

5-Year PHA Plan for Fiscal Years 2009 - 2014

Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Years 2009 - 2010

I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate. **Warning:** HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Name of Authorized Official	Title
Roosevelt F. Dorn	Chairman
Signature	Date
	8/13/09

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Previous version Cal P. Saunders
Cal P. Saunders
 City Attorney

Certification by State or Local
Official of PHA Plans Consistency
with the Consolidated Plan

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing
Expires 4/30/2011

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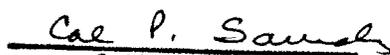
I, Roosevelt F. Dorn the Chairman certify that the Five Year and
Annual PHA Plan of the Inglewood
Housing Authority is consistent with the Consolidated Plan of
City of Inglewood prepared pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91.

 8/13/09

Signed / Dated by Appropriate State or Local Official

Roosevelt F. Dorn

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Cal P. Saunders
City Attorney

Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Applicant Name

Inglewood Housing Authority

Program/Activity Receiving Federal Grant Funding

Housing Choice Voucher Program

Acting on behalf of the above named Applicant as its Authorized Official, I make the following certifications and agreements to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding the sites listed below:

I certify that the above named Applicant will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Applicant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.

b. Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees ---

(1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(2) The Applicant's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

(3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.

c. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph a.;

d. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph a. that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will ---

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

e. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federalagency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

f. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted ---

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

g. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs a. thru f.

2. **Sites for Work Performance.** The Applicant shall list (on separate pages) the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the HUD funding of the program/activity shown above: Place of Performance shall include the street address, city, county, State, and zip code. Identify each sheet with the Applicant name and address and the program/activity receiving grant funding.)

Check here if there are workplaces on file that are not identified on the attached sheets.

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Name of Authorized Official

Title

Roosevelt F. Dorn

Chairman

Signature

Date

X *Roosevelt F. Dorn*

8/13/09

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City Attorney

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**Certification of Payments
to Influence Federal Transactions**

**U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development**
Office of Public and Indian Housing

Applicant Name

Inglewood Housing Authority

Program/Activity Receiving Federal Grant Funding

Housing Choice Voucher Program - Tenant-based Section 8

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

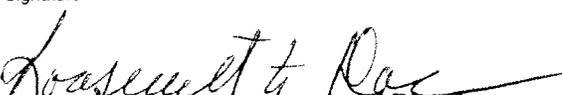
(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

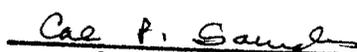
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(18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Name of Authorized Official Roosevelt F. Dorn	Title Chairman
Signature 	Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 08/13/2009

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Cal P. Saunders
City Attorney

Civil Rights Certification

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing
Expires 4/30/2011

Civil Rights Certification

Annual Certification and Board Resolution

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairman or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioner, I approve the submission of the Plan for the PHA of which this document is a part and make the following certification and agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in connection with the submission of the Plan and implementation thereof:

The PHA certifies that it will carry out the public housing program of the agency in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and will affirmatively further fair housing.

Inglewood Housing Authority
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Name of Authorized Official	Title
Roosevelt F. Dorn	Chairman
Signature 	Date 8/13/09

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DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known: Congressional District, if known: 4c		5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:
6. Federal Department/Agency:	7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
8. Federal Action Number, if known:	9. Award Amount, if known: \$ _____	
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):	b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):	
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

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