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Special Attention of:

Public Housing Agencies that Administer
the Housing Choice Voucher Program,
Public Housing Directors,
Regional Public Housing Directors

Notice PIH 2026-01

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Cross References: FR-6476-N-01,
Notices PIH 2025-13 and 2022-18

Subject: 2025 Additional Administrative Fees for HUD-VASH

I. PURPOSE

This notice announces the availability of \$10 million in funding for public housing agencies (PHAs) currently administering the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program to assist in the leasing of HUD-VASH vouchers. This notice provides guidance on the process of funding requests and outlines eligible uses for these HUD-VASH administrative fees.

II. BACKGROUND

HUD-VASH vouchers are authorized under section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as modified by the requirements in the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025 (Public Law 119-4) (2025 Act).

The HUD-VASH program is a special purpose voucher program that combines HUD housing choice voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Generally, the HUD-VASH program is administered in accordance with 24 CFR Sections 982 and 983 (in cases where HUD-VASH vouchers are project-based). HUD-VASH waivers and alternative requirements are detailed in the revised operating requirements published in the Federal Register at 89 FR 65769 on August 13, 2024. This and other documents pertinent to the program can be found on the [HUD-VASH webpage](#).

Administrative fees for HUD-VASH are awarded through the HCV Administrative Fee Formula based on leasing, as detailed in [Notice PIH 2025-13, Implementation of the Federal Fiscal Year \(FFY\) 2025 Funding Provisions for the Housing Choice Voucher Program](#). HUD-VASH PHAs may also be eligible for special fees made available under Notice PIH 2025-13, Section V.E.

The 2025 Act provided a total of \$15 million in funding for HUD-VASH, of which up to \$10 million may be used for administrative and other expenses as established by and allocated pursuant to a method determined by the Secretary. Using this authority under the

2025 Act, HUD is making \$10 million available for additional administrative fees to assist PHAs in administering HUD-VASH to help eligible families obtain and maintain housing.

III. HUD-VASH ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FUNDING

Through this notice, HUD is setting forth the application and eligibility requirements for PHAs that wish to receive additional administrative fees for their HUD-VASH program in accordance with the 2025 Act. The additional administrative fee funding described in this notice will be calculated and allocated exclusively for HUD-VASH vouchers.

Administrative funding allocated through this notice must be used for eligible expenses (see Section III.B.) in support of leasing HUD-VASH vouchers.

HUD encourages PHAs to work with their partnering VA facility to apply for these additional administrative fees.

A. Funding Application

Using the authority under the 2025 Act, HUD will make funding available to PHAs administering the HUD-VASH program based on two factors: 1) the total number of HUD-VASH vouchers currently administered by the PHA, and 2) the total number of HUD-VASH PHAs requesting administrative fees under this notice.

To apply for these funds, the authorized individual¹ at the PHA will submit the electronic form, located on the [HUD-VASH webpage](#), which contains the following declaration:

I certify that my PHA needs funding to assist in successfully leasing HUD-VASH vouchers. I acknowledge that the additional administrative fees made available through this notice may only be used in connection with the HUD-VASH program, consistent with the terms of this notice.

All applications must be received no later than midnight on **March 2, 2026**, in the time zone of the PHA.

B. Eligible Uses of HUD-VASH Additional Administrative Fees.

This additional administrative funding must be used exclusively to support the HUD-VASH program for two purposes: (1) costs incurred by a PHA in carrying out administrative responsibilities under the HUD-VASH program, and (2) other eligible expenses in administering the program, which are described in Section 3 of [Notice PIH 2022-18](#).

PHAs are specifically encouraged to use funds available under this notice to take on new HUD-VASH administrative activities such as HUD-VASH landlord recruitment, housing search assistance activities, and landlord/tenant mediation activities, or other additional HUD-VASH expenses such as owner incentives and retention payments and security deposits. PHAs must follow the requirements under Notice PIH 2022-18.

¹ An authorized individual for this purpose is the Executive Director, Chief Executive Officer, or individual of equivalent position.

C. Reporting Other Expenses in the Voucher Management System (VMS) and Financial Assessment Subsystem for Public Housing (FASS-PIH)/Financial Data Schedule (FDS)

1. VMS reporting.

The new authorized expenses listed in this notice that are incurred by the PHA each month and paid with ongoing administrative fees are reported as part of the total expenses in the VMS *Administrative Expense* field. There is no separate field currently for reporting these other expenses.

2. FDS reporting.

In general, the new authorized expenses listed in this notice are reported on FDS Line 92400 *Tenant services – other*. However, with respect to the fees used for deposits, a PHA may account for these deposits in different ways: as an expense to a balance sheet only transaction, or with the cash outlay for the deposits treated as an accounts receivable and allowance for doubtful accounts being established. The accounting treatment is typically based on the PHA's and its auditor's interpretation of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for these deposit transactions and individual state law, with only limited deposits ever coming back to the PHA. Therefore, HUD will not require any specific FDS reporting for ongoing administrative fees used for deposits as long as the accounting and reporting conforms to GAAP.

3. Reporting changes.

HUD is implementing new grants management and reporting tools, which will be rolled out for your use in the near term. As a grantee, you will be required to report on grant performance and financial activities (including vendor and cash disbursement supporting details for yourself and your sub-recipients) using these new tools when they are released. HUD will work with you to support your transition to this new reporting environment. Once implemented, timely reporting in this new environment will be mandatory. HUD reserves the right to exercise all available rights and remedies for any noncompliance with these grants management and financial reporting requirements, to include requiring 100 percent review or stopping future disbursements altogether if reporting is not timely submitted.

IV. ASSISTANCE LISTING

The assistance listing for this opportunity is [14.871](#).

V. PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT

The information collection requirements contained in this notice have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. §§ 3501-3520) and have been assigned OMB control number 2577-0169.

VI. FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions concerning this notice should be submitted by email to the Office of Housing Voucher Programs mailbox at VASH@hud.gov.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Benjamin Hobbs".

Benjamin Hobbs
Assistant Secretary