Archived: Tuesday, October 12, 2021 12:24:37 PM From: <u>Financial Management Center</u> Sent: Friday, February 26, 2021 8:47:48 AM Subject: Reminder: Survey Request for the FUP-FSS Demonstration Evaluation Importance: Normal Sensitivity: None

I hope you are doing well. I am reaching out with a request to fill out a survey about the Family Unification Program and Family Self-Sufficiency (FUP-FSS) Demonstration. This survey is closing March 12, 2021, and the more responses we have, the more complete the resulting picture will be of this Demonstration and how its implementation has been experienced by all participating PHAs.

We are working with the Urban Institute and Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago to evaluate the effectiveness of using FUP and FSS to address the needs of youth exiting the child welfare system. In addition to this survey being sent to all Demonstration sites, the Urban Institute will also conduct interviews with some programs as a part of this evaluation and may be reaching out to your agency in the upcoming weeks. We hope to use data collected from this evaluation to better understand how the FUP-FSS Demonstration is being used to address the housing and self-sufficiency needs of these young people and to learn about the benefits and challenges your agency has faced in implementing the demonstration and working with partnering organizations. Even if your agency has not been actively participating in the Demonstration, your responses will help us to understand these issues.

Please note that the survey asks you to provide the number of FUP youth and FUP-FSS demonstration participants. We recognize that these numbers can be time consuming to pull, so please prioritize the other questions, which are more central to assessing how the demonstration is working.

An Urban Institute staff member should have already emailed you inviting you to participate in the survey and providing a survey link. If you cannot find that email, or if you are not the most appropriate person to contact regarding the survey, please email Amy Rogin at the Urban Institute at <a href="mailto:arogin@urban.org">arogin@urban.org</a>. She can re-send the link or send it to the appropriate staff member.

Participation in this survey is voluntary. Participating or choosing not to participate will have no effect on your FUP program or eligibility to receive housing vouchers. The survey should take about 30 minutes to complete, but time may vary based on the components of your program. Finally, the Urban Institute will not share individual survey responses with HUD or release findings in a way that would identify you.

Sincerely,

Steven Durham

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