

Frequently Asked Questions

HUD Assisted Housing Communities

- 1. Does the HUD assisted housing agencies/owners pay for the event?
- 2. <u>Does the Father's Day event have to be held on Father's Day?</u>
- 3. Can the HUD assisted property hold the event in conjunction with another event?
- 4. How will the HUD assisted properties connect with local partners?
- 5. <u>Do HUD assisted housing properties have to follow the national theme or can they use their own theme?</u>
- 6. Are there funds available from HUD for this initiative?

Partners

- 1. What is a partner?
- 2. Why should I be a sponsor for the 2015 Father's Day Initiative?
- 3. Will there be a fee for participating?
- 4. What can my organization do to support the Father's Day event in my community?
- 5. Will there be other organizations participating in this event?

Families

- 1. What is the mission of the National Father's Day Event?
- 2. Is this the first year for this event?
- 3. Is the event for Fathers only?
- 4. Are Moms invited to the event?
- 5. Will there be activities for Moms?
- 6. Will there be activities for Fathers?
- 7. What is the cost for families to attend?
- 8. Is the event held on or around Father's Day?
- 9. What types of activities occur at this event?
- 10. What types of activities occur at this event?

Federal, State and Local Government

- 1. Will my agency have to pay to participate in this event?
- 2. How can my agency provide support for this event?
- 3. Who is the lead agency for this initiative?
- 4. Why are other federal agencies partnering on the Father's Day 2015 initiative?
- 5. What could be the impact?

- ❖ The Father's Day event is designed bring together partners from HUD, other federal agencies and partners in support of the event. HUD assisted properties may incur minimal costs (e.g. food, transportation of residents, etc.). However, the goal is to make the event cost free for every HUD assisted housing agency/owner. In the Notice PIH-2011-51, HUD encourages collaborative partnerships with public and private agencies to assist with resources and services.
- The event date is at the discretion of the HUD assisted property and can be held in conjunction with another event. The HUD assisted property has the flexibility to hold the event on a date that is beneficial to them and their residents.
- ❖ Yes. The event can be held in conjunction with another event such as an event that may be occurring in the community, city or state. It's important that the HUD assisted property registers the event at www.hud.gov/fathersday.
- ❖ HUD headquarters will manage a partner list and forward that information to each of our HUD assisted property agencies/owners. A letter will be provided to HUD assisted housing providers that can be modified and used as a resource to connect with partners. The host site has the flexibility of using the letter or to connect via a method of their choice.
- ❖ In an effort to keep the message and focus consistent across the country we encourage HUD assisted properties to use the national theme approved by HUD.
- ❖ At this present time the initiative is non-appropriated. HUD assisted properties are encouraged to establish and/or strengthen collaborations where possible to assist with supporting the initiative.

- A partner is a non-profit, business, college or university, federal, state, city or local agency other than a Public Housing Agency, multi-family properties or section 8 property owners.
- ❖ Your participation as a community leader will help to revitalize your local community by supporting an initiative that works to strengthen, empower and improve the quality of life of families living in HUD assisted housing communities. Your participation will help to facilitate new and existing relationships with Fathers and their children and enhance the Father's capacity to be an economic and social asset.
- ❖ There is no fee to participate. All we ask is that you participate by setting up a booth, donating resources or assisting in any way you feel would benefit Fathers and their families and support the Father's Day initiative in your area.
- Your organization can attend the local event and connect your resources to families living in HUD assisted housing. Your organization can also:
 - ✓ Work to provide services/resources focused on health, wealth, education, job training, public/private partnerships
 - ✓ Serve as a member of the local Father's Day 2015 Planning Committee
 - ✓ Assist with set-up
 - ✓ Set up resource tables
 - ✓ Donate or assist with securing resources to support the event
 - ✓ Partner with other local organizations
- ❖ YES! We are excited to be celebrating 5 years of collaboration with sponsors/host sites and partners from all areas of industry. Partners like the Girls and Boys club, National Football League, National Basketball Association, faith-based organizations, local city government, Corporation for National and community Services, Family Equality Council and many, many more.

Our mission is to Strengthen, empower and improve the quality of life of families living in HUD assisted housing communities by providing access to a variety of services through a strategic collaborative approach in the areas of wealth, education, job training, health, corporate and government supportive services. The HUD Father's Day event is celebrated in the Month of June and is designed to provide opportunities for Fathers and families to ensure positive effects on children's health, development and well-being.

- ❖ We are proud to be celebrating the 5th year of the HUD's National Father's Day. Over 22,000 thousand Fathers, Mothers and children and partnering organizations have participated and provided services and resources. There have been over 1200 events held at more than 400 HUD assisted housing communities since its inception in 2011.
- This event is for the entire family!! Since 2011 an estimated 22,000 fathers, children, mothers and partnering organizations participated in nationwide events at HUD assisted housing communities. This is a family affair to celebrate Mothers, Fathers and their Children.
- ❖ YES INDEED!! Mothers are the cornerstone of the family. We celebrate Moms and the amazing job they do providing their children with the support they need for healthy development.
- ❖ Yes! The activities for the events are geared toward the entire family. Mothers will learn about the myriad of opportunities and strategies available to strengthen and protect their children and families.
- ❖ Yes! There will be activities for the entire family. Fathers will have the opportunity to participate in these activities with their children, and learn more about available resources to support a strong and sustained bond with their children and families.
- Yes! There will be activities such as face painting, basketball, essay-writing, food, fun and dancing just to name a few. We want children and their Mothers and Fathers to have a fun, fruitful and amazing experience.
- There is no cost to Fathers, Mothers or children to attend!
- Yes. Every HUD assisted property will decide when and where to hold their event. The event is held on or around Father's Day to promote Fatherhood and the importance of active and involved Fathers.
- There will be various types of activities such as face painting, essay writing contest, food, inspirational speakers and booths that are set up by local and federal partners.

- ❖ There is not a fee for government agencies to participate. Many federal partners have existing resources in local communities around the country and we ask our federal partners to utilize their existing resources in support of strengthen and empowering families across the nation.
- ❖ Federal partners have offices and teams in many communities across the nation. Agencies can connect their local offices with local HUD assisted properties and participate in their Father's Day 2015 event. Connecting your resources to Father's, Mothers and children living in HUD assisted housing will help to strengthen and empower these families in your local community.
- HUD, through the office of Public Housing Investments, is the lead agency for this initiative however, WE CANNOT DO THIS WITHOUT HUD ASSISTED HOUSING AGENCIES, NON-GOVERNMENT SPONSORS, FEDERAL AND LOCAL PARTNERS! The department is striving to encourage ongoing connection between Fathers and their children. This can only happen via the collaboration of each partner committed to strengthening and empowering families.
- Other agencies are participating because Father's Day2015 initiative is about more than just Father's It's about families!! HUD will designate a Marketing and Outreach Coordinator to partner with you to identify Partners that can provide services focused on health, wealth, job training, education, and corporate and government services. HUD also will provide a Welcome Package that consists of a marketing tool kit complete with templates you can use to advertise you event.
- By working with local, state, federal partners and organizations HUD is able to facilitate effective and sustainable engagements focused on strengthening and empowering families. By providing resources, knowledge, contacts and guidance your agency can collectively and positively impact complex community and neighborhood problems.