

National City Housing Authority HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

STREAMLINED ANNUAL PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 - 2024

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Streamlined Annual
PHA Plan
(HCV Only PHAs)

Purpose. The 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans provide a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, including changes to these policies, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA's mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families

Applicability. The Form HUD-50075-HCV is to be completed annually by **HCV-Only PHAs**. PHAs that meet the definition of a Standard PHA, Troubled PHA, High Performer PHA, Small PHA, or Qualified PHA <u>do not</u> need to submit this form. Where applicable, separate Annual PHA Plan forms are available for each of these types of PHAs.

Definitions.

- (1) High-Performer PHA A PHA that owns or manages more than 550 combined public housing units and housing choice vouchers, and was designated as a high performer on <u>both</u> the most recent Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) and Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) assessments if administering both programs, or PHAS if only administering public housing.
- (2) Small PHA A PHA that is not designated as PHAS or SEMAP troubled, that owns or manages less than 250 public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550.
- (3) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Only PHA A PHA that administers more than 550 HCVs, was not designated as troubled in its most recent SEMAP assessment and does not own or manage public housing.
- (4) *Standard PHA* A PHA that owns or manages 250 or more public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceed 550, and that was designated as a standard performer in the most recent PHAS and SEMAP assessments.
- (5) Troubled PHA A PHA that achieves an overall PHAS or SEMAP score of less than 60 percent.
- (6) Qualified PHA A PHA with 550 or fewer public housing dwelling units and/or housing choice vouchers combined and is not PHAS or SEMAP troubled.

А.	PHA Information.				
A.1	PHA Name: National City Housing Authority PHA Code: CA116 PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): 07/2023 PHA Inventory (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above) Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) 1131 PHA Plan Submission Type: ☑ Annual Submission ☐Revised Annual Submission Availability of Information. In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information of the PHA Plans, including updates, at the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official website.				
	PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a joint Plan and complete table below) Participating PHAs PHA Code Program(s) in the Consortia Program(s) not in the Consortia			No. of Units in Each Program	
	Lead HA:				

В.	Plan Elements.			
B.1	Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements.			
	a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?			
	 Y N Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. Financial Resources. Rent Determination. Operation and Management. Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. Homeownership Programs. Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements. Substantial Deviation. Significant Amendment/Modification. (b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s): 			
B.2	New Activities. – Emergency Housing Voucher (32) total 07/2021			
B.3	Progress Report. See Attachment.			
	Provide a description of the PHA's progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan. (SEE ATTACHMENT)			
B.4	Capital Improvements. – Not Applicable			
B.5	Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit.			
	(a) Were there any findings in the most recent FY Audit?			
	$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & N & N/A \\ \Box & \boxtimes & \Box \end{array}$			
	(b) If yes, please describe:			
C.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.			
C.1	Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.			
	(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the PHA Plan?			
	$\begin{array}{c} Y & N \\ \Box & \boxtimes \end{array}$			
	(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.			
C.2	Certification by State or Local Officials. See Attachment.			
	Form HUD 50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.			
C.3	Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan. See Attachment. Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, <i>PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations</i> <i>Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed,</i> must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.			
C.4	Challenged Elements. If any element of the PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public. (a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan? Y N X Y If yes, include Challenged Elements. 			

D.	Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).
D.1	Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH). Provide a statement of the PHA's strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted Assessment of Fair Housing
	(AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals as necessary to overcome fair housing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete this chart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for further detail on completing this item.
	Fair Housing Goal:
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A. PHA Information. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.4)

A.1 Include the full PHA Name, PHA Code, PHA Type, PHA Fiscal Year Beginning (MM/YYYY), Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs), PHA Plan Submission Type, and the Availability of Information, specific location(s) of all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan.

PHA Consortia: Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete the table. (24 CFR §943.128(a))

B. Plan Elements. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3))

B.1 Revision of Existing PHA Plan Elements. PHAs must:

Identify specifically which plan elements listed below that have been revised by the PHA. To specify which elements have been revised, mark the "yes" box. If an element has not been revised, mark "no."

□ Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. Provide a statement addressing the housing needs of low-income, very low-income and extremely low-income families and a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families who reside in the jurisdiction served by the PHA and other families who are on the Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement must identify the housing needs of (i) families with incomes below 30 percent of area median income (extremely low-income); (ii) elderly families (iii) households with individuals with disabilities, and households of various races and ethnic groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the public housing and Section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting lists. The statement of housing needs shall be based on information provided by the applicable Consolidated Plan, information provided by HUD, and generally available data. The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. Once the PHA has submitted an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), which includes an assessment of disproportionate housing needs to be included in the Statement of Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. (24 CFR § 903.7(a)). "NO"

The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. (24 CFR \$903.7(a)(2)(i)) Provide a description of the ways in which the PHA intends, to the maximum extent practicable, to address those housing needs in the upcoming year and the PHA's reasons for choosing its strategy. (24 CFR \$903.7(a)(2)(i))

Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. A statement of the PHA's policies that govern resident or tenant eligibility, selection and admission including admission preferences for HCV. (24 CFR §903.7(b)) "NO"

Financial Resources. A statement of financial resources, including a listing by general categories, of the PHA's anticipated resources, such as PHA HCV funding and other anticipated Federal resources available to the PHA, as well as tenant rents and other income available to support tenant-based assistance. The statement also should include the non-Federal sources of funds supporting each Federal program, and state the planned use for the resources. (24 CFR §903.7(c)) "NO"

Rent Determination. A statement of the policies of the PHA governing rental contributions of families receiving tenant-based assistance, discretionary minimum tenant rents, and payment standard policies. (24 CFR §903.7(d)) "NO"

Operation and Management. A statement that includes a description of PHA management organization, and a listing of the programs administered by the PHA. (24 CFR §903.7(e)). "NO"

Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. A description of the informal hearing and review procedures that the PHA makes available to its applicants. (24 CFR §903.7(f)) "NO"

Homeownership Programs. A statement describing any homeownership programs (including project number and unit count) administered by the agency under section 8y of the 1937 Act, or for which the PHA has applied or will apply for approval. (24 CFR §903.7(k)) "NO"

□ Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements. A description of any PHA programs relating to services and amenities coordinated, promoted, or provided by the PHA for assisted families, including those resulting from the PHA's partnership with other entities, for the enhancement of the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families, including programs provided or offered as a result of the PHA's partnerships with other entities, and activities subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 (24 CFR Part 135) and under requirements for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program and others. Include the program's size (including required and actual size of the FSS program) and means of allocating assistance to households. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(i)) Describe how the PHA will comply with the requirements of section 12(c) and (d) of the 1937 Act that relate to treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements. (24 CFR §903.7(1)(ii)). "NO"

Substantial Deviation. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "substantial deviation" to its 5-Year Plan. (24 CFR §903.7(r)(2)(i)) "NO"

Significant Amendment/Modification. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a "Significant Amendment or Modification" to its 5-Year and Annual Plan. "NO"

If any boxes are marked "yes", describe the revision(s) to those element(s) in the space provided.

- B.2 New Activities. This section refers to new capital activities which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs. 32 Emergency Housing Vouchers 7-2021
- **B.3** Progress Report. For all Annual Plans following submission of the first Annual Plan, a PHA must include a brief statement of the PHA's progress in meeting the mission and goals described in the 5-Year PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3), 24 CFR §903.7(r)(1)) SEE ATTACHMENT
- **B.4** Capital Improvements. This section refers to PHAs that receive funding from the Capital Fund Program (CFP) which is not applicable for HCV-Only PHAs. Emergency Housing Voucher funding July 2021.
- **B.5** Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit. If the results of the most recent fiscal year audit for the PHA included any findings, mark "yes" and describe those findings in the space provided. (24 CFR §903.7(p)) "NO"

C. Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.

- C.1 Resident Advisory Board (RAB) comments. If the RAB had comments on the annual plan, mark "yes," submit the comments as an attachment to the Plan and describe the analysis of the comments and the PHA's decision made on these recommendations. (24 CFR §903.13(c), 24 CFR §903.19) "NO"
- C.2 Certification by State of Local Officials. Form HUD-50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.15). Note: A PHA may request to change its fiscal year to better coordinate its planning with planning done under the Consolidated Plan process by State or local officials as applicable.
- C.3 Civil Rights Certification/ Certification Listing Policies and Programs that the PHA has Revised since Submission of its Last Annual Plan. Provide a certification that the following plan elements have been revised, provided to the RAB for comment before implementation, approved by the PHA board, and made available for review and inspection by the public. This requirement is satisfied by completing and submitting form HUD-50077 ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed. Form HUD-50077-ST-HCV-HP, PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations Including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. This includes all certifications relating to Civil Rights and related regulations. A PHA will be considered in compliance with the certification requirement to affirmatively further fair housing if the PHA fulfills the requirements of §§ 903.7(o)(1) and 903.15(d) and: (i) examines its programs or proposed programs; (ii) identifies any fair housing issues and contributing factors within those programs, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.154; or 24 CFR 5.160(a)(3) as applicable (iii) specifies actions and strategies designed to address contributing factors, related fair housing issues, and goals in the applicable Assessment of Fair Housing consistent with 24 CFR 5.154 in a reasonable manner in view of the resources available; (iv) works with jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; (v) operates programs in a manner consistent with any applicable consolidated plan under 24 CFR part 91, and with any order or agreement, to comply with the authorities specified in paragraph (o)(1) of this section; (vi) complies with any contribution or consultation requirement with respect to any applicable AFH, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.150 through 5.180; (vii) maintains records reflecting these analyses, actions, and the results of these actions; and (viii) takes steps acceptable to HUD to remedy known fair housing or civil rights violations. impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with the local jurisdiction to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing; and assures that the annual plan is consistent with any applicable Consolidated Plan for its jurisdiction. (24 CFR §903.7(o)).
- C.4 Challenged Elements. If any element of the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan is challenged, a PHA must include such information as an attachment to the Annual PHA Plan or 5-Year PHA Plan with a description of any challenges to Plan elements, the source of the challenge, and the PHA's response to the public.

D. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).

D.1 Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. The PHA will use the answer blocks in item D.1 to provide a statement of its strategies and actions to implement each fair housing goal outlined in its accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5) that states, in relevant part: "To implement goals and priorities in an AFH, strategies and actions shall be included in program participants' ... PHA Plans (including any plans incorporated therein) Strategies and actions must affirmatively further fair housing" Use the chart provided to specify each fair housing goal from the PHA's AFH for which the PHA is the responsible program participant – whether the AFH was prepared solely by the PHA, jointly with one or more other PHAs, or in collaboration with a state or local jurisdiction – and specify the fair housing strategies and actions to be implemented by the PHA during the period covered by this PHA Plan. If there are more than three fair housing goals, add answer blocks as necessary.

Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will not have to complete section D., nevertheless, the PHA will address its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing in part by fulfilling the requirements at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(3) enacted prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its own programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works 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. Furthermore, under Section 5A(d)(15) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, a PHA must submit a civil rights certification with its Annual PHA Plan, which is described at 24 CFR 903.7(o)(1) except for qualified PHAs who submit the Form HUD-50077-CR as a standalone document.

This information collection is authorized by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, which added a new section 5A to the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, which introduced the Annual PHA Plan. The Annual PHA Plan provides a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families.

Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 6.02 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not collect this information, and respondents are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Privacy Act Notice. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to solicit the information requested in this form by virtue of Title 12, U.S. Code, Section 1701 et seq., and regulations promulgated thereunder at Title 12, Code of Federal Regulations. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality

A.1) PHA Information

Location where the public may obtain copies of the Annual PHA Plan:

Main Administrative office of the PHA:

National City Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program 140 E 12th Street, Suite B National City, CA 91950

Main Administrative office of Local, County or State government:

City of National City –City Clerk Office 1243 National City Boulevard National City, CA 91950 www.nationalcityca.gov

B.3) PROGRESS REPORT

Mission and Goals

PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing.

Objective: Increase housing choices for families and individuals.

Progress: The National City Housing Authority continued its leasing process to maximize the number of families assisted through the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Programs.

PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing.

Objective: Provide replacement vouchers for HCV.

Progress: Once a family leaves the program, a replacement family is immediately available. Maintain safe, decent, sanitary units and improve quality of life for residents living in assisted units.

National City Housing Authority (NCHA) inspects each assisted unit at least once a year to make sure that residents are living in a unit that is decent, safe and sanitary. Due to COVID-19 NCHA has followed HUD's safety guidance on Housing Quality Standard inspections, accepting written self-certifications from Owner and Tenant.

PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices

Objective: Maintain current number of vouchers within funding level.

Progress: Management closely monitors the utilization of vouchers and makes sure that there are within the funding level.

PHA Goal: Provide an improved living environment

Objective: Assists the local economy by increasing the occupancy rate and the amount of money flowing in the community.

Progress: The current occupancy rate is at 97%, thus, maximizing the number of families being assisted which turns into more spending power for residents in the community.

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

Objective: Increase the number and percentage of employed persons within the assisted units.

Progress: Continued referrals to the National City Collaborative and other supportive services to increase independence.

PHA Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing.

Objective: Promote equal housing opportunities.

Progress: Fair housing programs and resources are included in all issuance briefings.

PHA Goal: Deter and eliminate program fraud.

Objective: Take all steps necessary to prevent fraud, waste and mismanagement.

Progress: Continued tenant counseling and providing detailed understanding of the program at briefings, annuals and moves.

VAWA Attachment

On January 5, 2006, President Bush signed the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) into law as Public Law 109-162.

Recently, Congress passed the Violence Against Woman Reauthorization Act of 2022 (VAWA 2022), which went into effect October 1, 2022. In response to VAWA, the National City Housing Authority (NCHA) has taken the following steps:

NCHA partners with the National City Collaborative (NCC) to provide services to individuals and families caught in domestic violence. These services include: 24-hour crisis line, legal support, transitional housing program referrals, clinical counseling, support groups, domestic violence treatment program for people who abuse, youth education and prevention programs, and volunteer training.

NCHA refers child or adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to NCC for assistance.

NCHA has revised many of its policies and procedures so as to enable child or adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to obtain or maintain housing. NCC provides numerous domestic violence prevention and intervention programs and classes. Clients are referred when there is a belief that they may be victims of domestic violence, or potential victims.

VAWA Components in the Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan

VAWA policies are incorporated throughout the Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan. Those policies are summarized below:

NCHA may deny assistance to applicants if any household member is currently engaged in, or has engaged in violent criminal activity or criminal activity that may threaten the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents or persons residing in the immediate vicinity during the past five years. However, no applicant who has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking will be denied assistance if they are otherwise qualified for the program.

NCHA may terminate a participant family's assistance if any household member has violated the family's obligation not to engage in any violent criminal activity or criminal activity that may threaten the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents or persons residing in the immediate vicinity during participation in the HCV Program. However, no Applicant who has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking will have their assistance terminated if they are otherwise qualified for the program. Any incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence or stalking will not be construed as a serious or repeated violation of the lease by the victim or threatened victim of that violence, and shall not be good cause for terminating the assistance, tenancy or occupancy rights of the victim.

NCHA may terminate the assistance of an individual family member to remove a lawful occupant or tenant who engages in criminal acts or threatened acts of violence or stalking to family members or others without terminating the assistance or evicting victimized lawful occupants.

There is no limitation on the ability of the NCHA to terminate assistance for other good cause unrelated to the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, other than the victim may not be subject to a "more demanding standard" than non-victims. NCHA will require certification by the victim of the victim status on such forms as the NCHA and/or HUD shall prescribe or approve.

When a family on the waiting list breaks up into two otherwise eligible families, only one of the new families may retain the original application date.

If the family breaks up into two otherwise eligible families while receiving assistance, only one of the new families will continue to be assisted.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) POLICY

Purpose and Applicability

The purpose of this policy is to implement the applicable provisions of the violence against women and department of justice reauthorization act of 2022 and more generally to set forth the NCHA's policies and procedures regarding domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, as hereafter defined.

The policy is gender-neutral, and its protections are available to males who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking as well as female victims of such violence.

Goals and Objectives

This policy and the following goals and objectives:

Maintaining compliance with all applicable legal requirements imposed by VAWA; Ensuring the physical safety of victims of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking who are assisted by NCHA; Providing and maintaining housing opportunities for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking; Creating and maintaining collaborative arrangements between NCHA, law enforcement authorities, victim service providers, and others to promote the safety and well-being of victims of actual and threatened domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, who are assisted by NCHA; and taking appropriate action in response to an incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, affecting individuals assisted by NCHA.

Other NCHA Policies and Procedures

This Policy shall be referenced in and incorporated in and made a part of NCHA's Admission and Continued Occupancy Policy. To the extent any provision of this policy shall vary or contradict any previously adopted policy or procedure of NCHA, the provisions of this Policy shall prevail.

Definitions

As used in this Policy;

Domestic Violence – The term "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 cohabiting with or has cohabited 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 – means violence committed by a person– who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Stalking - means to follow, pursue, or repeatedly commit acts with the intent to kill, injure, harass, or intimidate another person; and (ii) 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 death of, or serious bodily injury to, or to cause substantial emotional harm to -that person; a member of the immediate family of that person; or the spouse or intimate partner of that person.

Immediate Family Member - means, with respect to a person - a spouse, parent, brother, sister or child of that person, or an individual to whom that person stands in loco parentis; or any other person living in the household of that person and related to that person by blood or marriage.

Perpetrator – means person who commits an act of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking against a victim.

ADMISSIONS AND SCREENING

Non-Denial of Assistance. NCHA will not deny admission to public housing to any person because that person is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, provided that such person is otherwise qualified for such admission.

TERMINATION OF TENANCY OR ASSISTANCE

VAWA Protections. Under VAWA, public housing residents have the following specifications, which will be observed by NCHA. An incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking will not be considered to be a "serious or repeated" violation of the lease by the victim or threatened victim of that violence and will not be good cause for terminating the tenancy or occupancy rights of or assistance to the victim of that violence. In additions to the foregoing, tenancy or assistance will not be terminated by NCHA as a result of criminal activity, if that criminal activity is directly related to domestic violence, dating violence or stalking engaged in by a member of the assisted household, a guest or another person under the tenant's control, and the tenant or an immediate family member is the victim or threatened victim of this criminal activity. However, the protection against termination of tenancy or assistance described in this paragraph is subject to the following limitations:

Nothing contained in this paragraph shall limit any otherwise available authority of NCHA or to terminate tenancy, evict, or to terminate assistance, as the case may be, for any violation of a lease or program requirement not premised on the act or acts of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking in question against the tenant or a member of the tenant's household. However, in taking any such action, the NCHA may apply a more demanding standard to the victim of domestic violence dating or stalking than that applied to othertenants.

Nothing contained in this paragraph shall be construed to limit the authority of NCHA to evict or terminate from assistance any tenant or lawful applicant if the NCHA can demonstrate an actual and imminent threat to other tenants or to those employed at or providing service to the property, if the tenant is not evicted or terminated from assistance.

B. *Removal of Perpetrator.* Further, notwithstanding anything in paragraph VI.A.2. or Federal, State or local law to the contrary, HACNC, as the case may be, may bifurcate a lease, or remove a household member from a lease, without regard to whether a household member is a signatory to a 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 acts of physical violence against family members or others. Such action against the perpetrator of such physical violence may be taken without evicting, removing, terminating assistance to, or otherwise penalizing the victim of such violence who is also the tenant or a lawful occupant. Such eviction, removal, termination of occupancy rights, or termination of assistance shall be effected in accordance with the procedures prescribed by law applicable to terminations of tenancy and evictions by NCHA.

VERIFICATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE OR STALKING

Requirement for Verification. The law allows, but does not require, NCHA to verify that an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking claimed by a tenant or other lawful occupant is bona fide and meets the requirements of the applicable definitions set forth in this policy. NCHA shall require verification in all cases where an individual claims protection against an action involving such individual proposed to be taken by NCHA. Verification of a claimed incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence or stalking may be accomplished in one of the following three ways:

HUD-approved form – by providing the NCHA a written certification, on a form approved by U.S.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), that the individual is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking that the incident or incidents in question must be described in reasonable detail as required in the HUD approved form, and the completed certification must include the name of the perpetrator.

Other documentation – by providing to NCHA documentation signed by an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, or a medical professional, from whom the victim has sought assistance in addressing the domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or the effects of the abuse, described in such documentation. The professional providing the documentation must sign and attest under penalty of perjury (28 U.S.C. 1746) to the professional's belief that the incident or incidents in question are bona fide incidents of abuse meeting the requirements of the applicable definition(s) set forth in this policy. The victim of the incident or incidents of adatest to the documentation under penalty of perjury.

Police or court record – by providing to NCHA a Federal, State, tribal, territorial, or local police or court record describing the incident or incidents in question.

8. Time allowed to provide verification/failure to provide. An individual who claims protection against adverse action based on an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, and who is requested by NCHA, to provide verification, must provide such verification with14 business days (*i.e., calendar days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and federally-recognized holidays*) after receipt of the request for verification. Failure to provide verification, in proper form within such time will result in loss of protection under VAWA and this policy against a proposed adverse action.

C. *Waiver of verification requirement.* The Executive Director of NCHA may with respect to any specific case, waive the above-stated requirements for verification and provide the benefits of this policy based on the victim's statement or other corroborating evidence. Such waiver may be granted in the sole discretion of the Executive Director. Any such waiver must be in writing. Waiver in a particular instance or instances shall not operate as precedent for, or create any right to, waiver in any other case of cases, regardless of similarity in circumstances.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Right of confidentiality. All Information (including the fact that an individual is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking) provided to NCHA in connection with a verification required under section VII of this policy or provided in lieu of such verification where a waiver of verification is granted, shall be retained by the receiving party in confidence and shall neither be entered in any shared database nor provided to any related entity, except where disclosure is: Requested or consented to by the individual in writing, or required for use in a public housing eviction proceeding, as permitted in VAWA, or otherwise required by applicable law

B. Notification of rights. All tenants of public housing shall be notified in writing concerning their right to confidentiality and the limits on such rights to confidentiality.

Transfer to New Residence Application for transfer. "Emergency Transfer Plan for Victims of Domestic Violence". In situations that involve significant risk of violent harm to an individual as a result of previous incidents or threats of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, NCHA will, if an approved unit size is available at a location that may reduce the risk of harm, approve transfer by a public housing to a different unit in order to reduce the level of risk to the individual. A tenant who requests transfer must attest in such application that the requested transfer is necessary to protect the health or safety of the tenant or another member of the household who is or was the victim of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking and who reasonably believes that the tenant or other household member will be imminently threatened by harm from further violence if the individual remains in the present dwelling unit.

Action on Applications. NCHA will act upon such an application promptly.

No right to transfer. NCHA will make every effort to accommodate requests for transfer when suitable alternative vacant units are available and the circumstances warrant such action.

COURT ORDERS/FAMILY BREAK-UP

Court Orders. It is NCHA's policy to honor orders entered by courts of competent jurisdiction affecting individuals assisted by NCHA and their property. This includes cooperating with law enforcement authorities to enforce civil protection orders issued for the protection of victims and addressing the distribution of personal property among household members in cases where a family breaks up.

B. *Family Break-Up*. Other NCHA policies regarding family break-up are contained in NCHA's Administrative Plan.

NOTIFICATION

NCHA shall provide written notification to applicants, tenants, concerning the rights and obligations created under VAWA relating to confidentiality, denial of assistance and, termination of tenancy or assistance.

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS

Neither VAWA nor this Policy implementing it shall preempt or supersede any provision of Federal, State or local law that provides greater protection than that provided under VAWA for victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.

AMENDMENT

This policy may be amended from time to time by NCHA as approved by the NCHA Board of Commissioners.

DEFINITION OF SUBSTANDARD DEVIATION AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGE OR MODIFICATION

Substandard deviation;

The following actions would be considered a substantial deviation from the 5-year plan:

Change to the target population included in the adopted plan. Decisions to change the process for accepting applications to the Housing Choice Voucher Program. Decision to change Priority of Preference Criteria for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

It will not be considered a substantial deviation from the plan:

- To choose another course of action not specifically spelled out in the plan to meet the established goals.
- To meet goals of the program to assist low-and moderate-income population in a manner not discussed in the adopted plan.
- To increase or decrease the Payment Standard (PS) (within budget authority) based on, (1) in the case of an increase to the PS, unforeseen increases in rents or inability of tenants to rent units within the program rules or (2) in the case of decreases to the PS, reductions in the budget authority awarded by HUD.
- To make modifications to the Administrative Plan which improve the access to the program by applicants and participants or clarification of new issues in order to provide a consistent implementation of the rules.
- To incorporate new procedures brought about by new regulations or clarification of regulations by HUD.

To make changes to parts of the plan, which are found to be inconsistent with regulations. To make changes required by statute or regulation that need to take place before a consultative process can take place. Changes in the Standard Operating Procedures that do not involve policy decisions.

Significant change or modification:

A significant change or modification is defined as discretionary changes in the plan or policies of the housing authority that fundamental changes the mission, goals, objectives or plans of the agency which require the formal approval of the Board of Commissioners. Other similar circumstances will be treated as defined above. Those items which are considered a substantial deviation would require Board Approval at a Regular Meeting of the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and submission to HUD at the next annual submission, where a report will be given of policies changed since the last submission of the Plan. Where feasible on discretionary issues, the Housing Authority will make an effort to consult with the Resident Advisory Committee prior to bringing the issue to the Board.

SMALL AREA FAIR MARKET RENT (SAFMR)

The Small Area Fair Market Rent (SAFMR) Final Rule was published on November 16, 2016 and became effective on January 17, 2017. Under the final rule, the use of Small Area FMRs is required in the administration of the HCV Program for certain metropolitan areas, including San Diego-Carlsbad, CA MSA, beginning on October 1, 2017. Although HUD has suspended the implementation of the SAFMR, it was reinstated effective January 1, 2018. The purpose of this rule is to establish a more effective means for HCV tenants to move into areas of higher opportunity and lower poverty by providing the tenants with a subsidy adequate to make such areas accessible and, consequently, help reduce the number of voucher families that reside in areas of higher poverty concentration.

	National City	FY2023	Payment Standa	rds		
Efficiency	One-Bedroom	Two-Bedroom	Three-Bedroom	Four-Bedroom		
\$1,584	\$1,740	\$2,220	\$3,036	\$3,696		
FY2023 SAFMR's By Unit Bedrooms						
Efficiency	One-Bedroom	Two-Bedroom	Three-Bedroom	Four-Bedroom		
\$1320	\$1,450	\$1,850	\$2,530	\$3,080		

PHA Certifications of Compliance with PHA Plan, Civil Rights, and Related Laws and Regulations including PHA Plan Elements that Have Changed

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairperson or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioners, I approve the submission of the _____ 5-Year and/or ____ Annual PHA Plan, hereinafter referred to as" the Plan", of which this document is a part, and make the following certification and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the PHA fiscal year beginning _July 1, 2023 _____, 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 (24 CFR § 91.2).
- 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 (AI) to Fair Housing Choice, or Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) when applicable, for the PHA's jurisdiction and a description of the manner in which the PHA Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan (24 CFR §§ 91.2, 91.225, 91.325, and 91.425).
- 3. The PHA has established a Resident Advisory Board or Boards, the membership of which represents the residents assisted by the PHA, consulted with this Resident Advisory Board or Boards in developing the Plan, including any changes or revisions to the policies and programs identified in the Plan before they were implemented, and considered the recommendations of the RAB (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.
- 4. 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.
- 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 public housing program of the agency in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-2000d—4), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.), and other applicable civil rights requirements and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program. In addition, if it administers a Housing Act, title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable civil rights requirements, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the grogram in conformity with the Fair Housing Act, title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable civil rights requirements, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program.
- 7. The PHA will affirmatively further fair housing, which means that it will take meaningful actions to further the goals identified in the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) conducted in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR § 5.150 through 5.180, that it will take no action that is materially inconsistent with its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing, and that it will address fair housing issues and contributing factors in its programs, in accordance with 24 CFR § 903.7(o)(3). The PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) and 24 CFR § 903.15(d). Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) promulgated prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; and maintains records reflecting these analyses and actions.
- 8. For PHA Plans that include 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 2011-65);

- 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 a 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 a waiting list is consistent with affirmatively furthering fair housing; and
- 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 903.7(o)(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. In accordance with 24 CFR § 5.105(a)(2), HUD's Equal Access Rule, the PHA will not make a determination of eligibility for housing based on sexual orientation, gender identify, or marital status and will make no inquiries concerning the gender identification or sexual orientation of an applicant for or occupant of HUD-assisted housing.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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.
- 14. The PHA will take appropriate affirmative action to award contracts to minority and women's business enterprises under 24 CFR 5.105(a).
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.
- 17. The PHA will keep records in accordance with 2 CFR 200.333 and facilitate an effective audit to determine compliance with program requirements.
- 18. 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.
- 19. The PHA will comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Assistance, including but not limited to submitting the assurances required under 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.50, and 107.25 by submitting an SF-424, including the required assurances in SF-424B or D, as applicable.
- 20. 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.
- 21. 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.
- 22. The PHA certifies that it is in compliance with applicable Federal statutory and regulatory requirements, including the Declaration of Trust(s).

National City Housing Authority	CA116	
PHA Name	PHA Number/HA Code	

X Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Year 2024

5-Year PHA Plan for Fiscal Years 20_____ - 20_____

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Name of Acting Executive Director		Name Board Chairman	
Armando Vergara		Ron Morrison	
Signature	Date	Signature	Date

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Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan (All PHAs)

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

I, _____Carlos Aguirre_____, the _____Housing Director_____ Official's Name Official's Title

certify that the 5-Year PHA Plan for fiscal years __2021-2025____ and/or Annual PHA Plan for fiscal year _2023-2024____ of the ___National City Housing Authority__ is consistent with the PHA Name

Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan including the Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice or Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) as applicable to the

> _City of National City_ Local Jurisdiction Name

pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91 and 24 CFR §§ 903.7(0)(3) and 903.15.

Provide a description of how the PHA Plan's contents are consistent with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan.

The goals of the PHA Plan are aimed at meeting the priority housing needs outlined in the

Consolidated Plan by expanding Housing Choice Voucher utilization to increase affordable housing to families earning less than 50% AMI. Its goal is also to increase availability of service-enriched housing.

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Name of Authorized Official:	Title:	
CARLOS AGUIRRE	HOUSING DIRECTOR	
Signature:	Date: 4 17 2023	

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