

## **CITY OF POMONA HOUSING AUTHORITY**

### **RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) AND PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AND RESPONSE TO THE MOVING TO WORK (MTW) SUPPLEMENT TO THE PHA ANNUAL PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

#### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Pomona Housing Authority (PHA) applied for and was granted authority to participate in the Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration expansion program. The MTW program provides select public housing authorities with an opportunity to design and test innovative, flexible and locally-designed housing and self-sufficiency strategies for low-income families.

The “Quality Housing Work Responsibility Act of 1998” (QHWRA) contains a provision whereby a PHA must submit an Annual Plan. As a requirement to participate in the Moving to Work demonstration program, the PHA must submit an MTW supplement to the PHA Annual Plan and solicit feedback from the Resident Advisory Board (RAB), residents and the general public on the proposed policies.

#### **MOVING TO WORK (MTW) AMENDMENT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION PROCESS**

A draft of the MTW Supplement with proposed waivers was made available to the public and published on the PHA website at [www.ci.pomona.ca.us](http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us) on August 25, 2021. The PHA held two resident meetings and a public hearing. The PHA did not receive any formal written comments during the 45-day comment period or any time thereafter. The PHA will continue to engage its stakeholders in future revisions to the MTW Plan and policies.

#### **RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS**

Two resident meetings were held on August 18, 2021, at 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. Notices of the resident meetings were posted on the City of Pomona website. A copy of the resident notice is attached. These meetings were held via webinar. There were 13 resident participants in the meeting.

#### **2021-2022 Resident Advisory Board Members**

- Rebecca Hardaway
- Louisa Gillette
- Pauline Bradford
- Martha Rachal
- Diane Mendez
- Margarito Garcia

#### **COMMENTS FROM RESIDENT MEETINGS AND PHA RESPONSE**

- **Standard Deductions**  
*Comment:* What if I have a disabled son in my home? Will I still get a deduction?  
*PHA response:* Based on the proposed policy, if there is at least one or more dependent in the home, the family will receive the standard deduction
- **Biennial Recertifications**  
*Comment:* What happens if I stop working?

PHA response: The PHA will allow one interim recertification per year if a family's income goes down 10% or more per year or if they have another hardship such as a death in the family or another change in circumstances.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

A notice of public hearing was published in the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin on August 25, 2021. The public hearing was held both in person and virtually on Monday, September 20, 2021, at 7:00 pm. A copy of the public hearing notice is attached. **There were no public comments received.**