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Kimberly Mack
Executive Director
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Dear Executive Director:

SUBJECT: Housing Choice Voucher Programs – Special Fees for PHAs operating in newly designated mandatory SAFMRs Under the CY 2023 Administrative Fee Set-Aside

On October 25, 2023, HUD published the SAFMR notice designating 41 new metropolitan areas where PHAs will be required to utilize SAFMRs in the HCV program. The notice included an implementation date of October 1, 2024, and PHAs operating in the newly designated metropolitan areas will then have until January 1, 2025, in accordance with 24 CFR 982.503(b)(1)(i) to implement SAFMR-based payment standards. PHAs in designated SAFMR areas are required to use SAFMRs for their tenant-based HCV vouchers and may choose to apply SAFMRs to their Project-based Voucher (PBV) program, if applicable.

HUD recognizes that PHAs located in a designated SAFMR area may incur additional, implementation-related administrative costs. On October 26, 2023, HUD published "Notice PIH 2023-07, Revision 1" that added a new category of special administrative fees for PHAs operating in newly designated SAFMR areas. Under these special fees, PHAs operating in the new SAFMR areas will receive \$10,000 to offset the administrative costs of transitioning to SAFMRs.

Your PHAs is identified as operating in one of the newly designated SAFMR areas. The amount of funding your agency has been awarded is \$10,000. Please see Notice PIH 2023-07, Revision 1 for more information, including eligible activities that can be paid for with the special fees.

Should you have questions concerning this determination, please contact Yasandra Deyá at yasandra.deya@hud.gov or Rachel Kennedy at rachel.e.kennedy@hud.gov.

Thank you for your continued participation in the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program and for ensuring decent, safe and affordable housing for families most in need in your jurisdiction

Sincerely

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