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## Rochester Housing Authority Announces Notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Changes to its Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Administrative Plan

## Public Hearing Scheduled for May 17, 2024

Rochester, NY—Today, April 2, marks Rochester Housing Authority's (RHA) 45-day Public Notice period for comments on the proposed changes to the Administrative Plan for its Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program, formerly known as Section 8.

This notice is in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidelines for resident and public comment whenever changes are made to the HCV Administrative Plan. This Plan is the agency document that provides the guidelines, rules and regulations required to receive assistance by RHA's HCV Program.

The purpose of the proposed plan changes is to better meet local housing needs of our community and agency priorities. The HCV Administrative Plan outlines preferences with points for voucher eligibility:

		Points	Current	Newly
				Proposed
1	RHA participants terminated due to insufficient funding (Super	30	х	
	Preference)			
2	Applicants involuntarily displaced by a government action	30	х	
	(Super Preference)			
3	Applicants on the PHA's current waiting list that have been	50	х	
	cross matched with the local continuum of care (CoC) homeless			
	managements information system (HMIS). These individuals			
	would be considered homeless or at risk of health and safety			
	due to a National Disaster			
4	Rochester Residency Preference	20	Х	
5	Families with children enrolled at RCSD who meet the	20		x
	McKinney Vento definition.			
6	Elderly and/or Disabled	20		х
7	Families with children under the age of 18	15		х
8	Non-elderly person, with disabilities	5	Х	
9	PH Resident transferring to HCV Home Ownership Program	1	х	

10	Applicants that accept a voucher through the Mobility	50	Х	
	Demonstration			

The administrative plan is located on the RHA website and can be viewed in whole <u>082422 RHA - HCV</u> <u>Administrative Plan - Approved 08-24-2022.pdf (rochesterhousing.org)</u> The proposed changes will be reflected in HCV Administrative Plan, Chapter 4, Part III: Selection for HCV Assistance, Local Preferences [24 CFR 982.207; HCV p 4-16]

A Public Hearing to discuss these proposed changes is scheduled for May 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Rochester Housing Authority's Administrative Office located at 675 West Main Street, Rochester, NY 14611.

RHA will receive written comments regarding the proposed changes during the 45-public comment period to commence on April 2, 2024. All written comments regarding the proposed changes may mailed to or hand delivered to 675 West Main Street, Rochester, NY 14611 ATTN: HCV-Public Comment or emailed to <a href="mailedtowaitinglist@rochesterhousing.org">waitinglist@rochesterhousing.org</a>.

Updated information will continue to be posted on the RHA website: www.rochesterhousing.org