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| 5-Year PHA Plan (for All PHAs) | U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing | OMB No. 2577-0226 Expires: 02/29/2016 |
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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, 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. Form HUD-50075-5Y is to be completed once every 5 PHA fiscal years by all PHAs.

| A. | PHA Information. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| A.1 | <p> PHA Name: Bennington Housing Authority PHA Code: VT009 </p> <p> PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: 07/2020 PHA Plan Submission Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5-Year Plan Submission <input type="checkbox"/> Revised 5-Year Plan Submission </p> <p> 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 on the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan, but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at each Asset Management Project (AMP) and main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official websites. PHAs are also encouraged to provide each resident council a copy of their PHA Plans. </p> <p> The PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements and all information relevant to the public hearing and the proposed Plan will be available for inspection by the public at the offices of the Bennington Housing Authority, 22 Willowbrook Drive, Bennington, Vermont. In addition, the Plan will be posted on the BHA website and at BHA's four housing developments. </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete table below) </p> <table border="1" data-bbox="207 1247 1463 1879"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Participating PHAs</th> <th rowspan="2">PHA Code</th> <th rowspan="2">Program(s) in the Consortia</th> <th rowspan="2">Program(s) not in the Consortia</th> <th colspan="2">No. of Units in Each Program</th> </tr> <tr> <th>PH</th> <th>HCV</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lead PHA: N/A</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | | Participating PHAs | PHA Code | Program(s) in the Consortia | Program(s) not in the Consortia | No. of Units in Each Program | | PH | HCV | Lead PHA: N/A | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| B. | 5-Year Plan. Required for <u>all</u> PHAs completing this form. |
| B.1 | <p>Mission. State the PHA’s mission for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families in the PHA’s jurisdiction for the next five years.</p> <p>The Bennington Housing Authority (BHA) assists very low-income households by providing Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Tenant-Based and Project-Based Vouchers, thus enabling them to afford appropriate housing of their choice. In collaboration with community partners, BHA supports and promotes the availability of programs and services to enable its Section 8 participants to maintain successful residency, improve the quality of their lives and pursue self-sufficiency.</p> |
| B.2 | <p>Goals and Objectives. Identify the PHA’s quantifiable goals and objectives that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families for the next five years.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fully and effectively utilize annual Section 8 HCV funding in order to serve the maximum possible number of households each year. 2. Efficiently administer the Section 8 HCV program in a manner which establishes BHA as a ‘High Performer’ under the Section 8 Section 8 Management Assessment Program. 3. Implement, in FY2021, a new Section 8 HCV Mainstream Program serving households with a non-elderly disabled adult. 4. Pursue opportunities to apply for and obtain additional Housing Choice Vouchers. 5. Complete the restructuring of BHA’s administrative operations to reflect the recent conversion of its 195 former public housing units to Section 8 Project-Based vouchers. 6. Maintain and keep fully occupied BHA’s four Project-Based Voucher developments consisting of 195 units. 7. Support the continuation of the SASH program for residents of Brookside and Walloomsac Apartments, the DREAM program for residents of Willowbrook and Beech Court Apartments and a summer lunch program at Willowbrook Apartments. 8. Collaborate with community partners to increase supportive services for both Tenant Based Voucher participants and residents of Project-Based Voucher housing. |
| B.3 | <p>Progress Report. Include a report on the progress the PHA has made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5-Year Plan.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BHA successfully completed the close-out of its Recovery and Sustainability Plan (RASP) and his SEMAP Corrective Action Plan (CAP) and is now in compliance with HUD program requirements. 2. BHA successfully completed the conversion of its public housing properties to project-based vouchers through the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program, as proposed in a 2019 significant amendment to its previous Five-Year Plan. |
| B.4 | <p>Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals. Provide a statement of the PHA’s goals, activities objectives, policies, or programs that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.</p> <p>BHA has fully implemented the requirements of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) for its Section 8 HCV Tenant-Based Voucher and Project-Based Voucher programs and has Emergency Transfer Plans in place.</p> |

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| <p>B.5</p> | <p>Significant Amendment or Modification. Provide a statement on the criteria used for determining a significant amendment or modification to the 5-Year Plan.</p> <p>The Bennington Housing Authority considers the following to be a significant amendment to the Five Year Plan and related policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addition of new Section 8 programs and/or changes to preferences for the Section 8 waiting list. <p>As a result of the award of 10 Mainstream Vouchers, BHA will be updating the Section 8 Administrative Plan to reflect the inclusion of this new Section 8 program and will be implementing preferences for a limited number of Mainstream eligible households who are (1) currently experiencing homelessness or (2) previously experienced homelessness and currently are a client in a permanent supportive or rapid rehousing project.</p> |
| <p>B.6</p> | <p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) provide comments to the 5-Year PHA Plan?</p> <p>Y N <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Because of the COVID pandemic, BHA will unable to convene a meeting of the Resident Advisory Board to discuss the final version of the Five Year Plan. On April 15th, 2020, All RAB members were provided a copy of the final draft Five Year Plan on April 15th, with a pre-stamped envelope to return their comments by the end of the month. As of April 30, 2020, no comments were received</p> <p>(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the 5-Year PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.</p> |
| <p>B.7</p> | <p>Certification by State or Local Officials.</p> <p>Form HUD 50077-SL, <i>Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p> |

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 5-Year PHA Plan. The 5-Year PHA Plan provides the PHA's mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low-income families and the progress made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5-Year Plan.

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