



## FFY 2007 Public Housing and Section 8 Funding Needs

The Council of Large Public Housing Authorities (CLPHA), National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO), and Public Housing Authorities Directors Association (PHADA) are national membership-based groups dedicated to the preservation and improvement of public housing. Our collective memberships include over 3,100 public housing authorities (PHAs) that own and manage the nation's public housing stock of 1.2 million units, housing more than 2.5 million families, seniors and people with disabilities. These agencies also administer the Housing Choice Voucher program which serves about 2 million households.

One of our major goals is to ensure the preservation and improvement of this federally assisted housing through adequate funding for the public housing and Section 8 programs. Toward that end, we recommend the following funding levels for these key housing programs:

Program	FFY2007 Funding Need
Public Housing Operating Fund	\$4.35 billion <sup>1</sup>
Public Housing Capital Fund	\$3.5 billion <sup>2</sup>
HOPE VI	\$600 million
Safety and security in public housing	\$310 million
Service Coordinators for the elderly and disabled	\$50 million <sup>3</sup>
Resident Opportunity and Supportive Services	\$55 million <sup>3</sup>
Housing Choice Vouchers	\$14.7 billion for vouchers in use
HCV Administrative Fees	\$1.4 billion
Section 8 Family Self Sufficiency Program	\$72 million <sup>3</sup>
Contract Administrators for Project Based Section 8	Fully fund

<sup>1</sup> Assumes implementation of the new funding formula

<sup>2</sup> This figure does not include funding necessary to recover from impact of Hurricane Katrina

<sup>3</sup> These should be funded as separate, stand-alone programs. Funding for these and all HUD programs must be awarded and distributed fully and in a timely fashion.

Utility rates for the 2005-2006 winter season are extraordinary. These bills must be paid; however, PHAs have not received adequate or additional funding to accommodate the increases. We estimate that an additional \$250 million is needed for the public housing program, and \$243 million for the Voucher program. These funds should be included in a supplemental appropriation in 2006, available to pay 2005 and 2006 winter season costs.

Public housing agencies nationally are some of the first responders to the housing crisis wrought by Hurricane Katrina. The federal response has fallen far short of addressing public housing reconstruction and replacement housing needs. Congress identified this issue by instructing HUD to assess and quickly deliver a needs report. We expect that any supplemental appropriation will address this expressed Congressional priority.

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