

Since passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) on February 17, 2009, HUD has been working to provide PHAs with funding for projects that create jobs, improve the public housing inventory, increase energy efficiency and improve the quality of life for our residents.

One of the requirements of the Recovery Act is reporting of activities and outcomes. As stated in Section X. of Notice PIN 2009-12 (HA), all PHAs receiving Capital Fund Recovery Grants are required to meet additional reporting requirements.

Transparency and accountability are critical priorities of the Administration and HUD in the funding and implementation of the Recovery Act. In particular, in addition to routine reporting, the Recovery Act includes two quarterly reporting requirements. This message provides an initial overview of the requirements. Please note that these reports do not take the place of existing reporting requirements for HUD programs.

- **Reporting on Jobs and Activities.** Section 1512 of the Recovery Act requires all recipients to report on their activities, job creation, and job retention. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB), under the direction of the Recovery Act Transparency and Accountability Board (RATB), created FederalReporting.gov to manage the reporting process for this provision. FederalReporting.gov will be the official record of jobs created and activities performed with Recovery Act funding. By reporting to this system in a timely and accurate manner, HUD grantees will assure their achievements are documented and presented to the public.

What are the next steps?

1. PHAs must register now at <http://www.federalreporting.gov> to access the site.
2. Between October 1st and October 10th, 2009, recipients must report their required data at the same link.

To view training materials on FederalReporting.gov, visit <http://www.whitehouse.gov/Recovery/WebinarTrainingMaterials/>. For further information, please contact the FederalReporting.gov help desk by visiting <https://www.federalreporting.gov/federalreporting/help.do>.

- **National Environmental Policy Act Reporting.** Section 1609 of the Recovery Act requires all federal agencies to report on compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for all Recovery Act-funded projects. To gather this information, HUD has created the Recovery Act Management and Performance System (RAMPS).

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1. PHAs who perform environmental reviews according to Part 58 must report this data directly into RAMPS before October 10th, 2009.

For further information and to access RAMPS, please visit the HUD Recovery Reporting website at <http://portal.hud.gov/pls/portal/url/page/Recovery/Reporting>.

In addition to the information PHAs will be reporting into <http://www.federalreporting.gov> in October, PHAs are being asked to voluntarily provide additional information, as follows:

- **Voluntary October Reporting**. PHAs are being asked, on a voluntary basis, to include the following in a Project Narrative Field: number of new units started, completed, developed or rehabbed this quarter and how many of those units have energy efficient or green features. PHAs should include information about any units that meet locally or nationally recognized EE or green standards, such as, but not limited to; LEED, Energy Start and NAHB.

And starting in January:

- **Anticipated January Reporting**. PHAs will be asked to provide additional information to track and report on the housing-specific information related to their investments. This will include: number of units started, number of units developed, number of units rehabbed, number of units completed, number of units receiving energy conservation or green improvements (broken down into number of green affordable housing units developed and number of green affordable housing units rehabbed). HUD is also exploring ways to track energy savings and greenhouse gas emissions reduction in these units and will be providing further guidance towards that end.

Additional guidance and technical assistance with these reporting requirements will be provided shortly. Thank you in advance for meeting these reporting requirements.