

1001 S. Orchard Street Boise, Idaho 83705

### **DOCUMENT LIST**

Annual Recertification / Move Packet

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If any member of your household receives any of the following types of income listed below, you are <u>required</u> to provide the supporting documentation and submit it with your Participant Information Form.

### I. INCOME

EMPLOYMENT INCOME- For every member of your household that is working, please provide the following:

- Paystubs Current & consecutive for the last 60 days
- Documentation of other types of income such as tips, commissions, etc.
   For new employment, you must provide a statement from your employer providing the date of hire, average hours worked per week, and hourly rate or salary amount. The statement must be on company letterhead; OR you may provide your employer with our Employment Verification Form that is available on our website at <a href="https://www.bcacha.org">www.bcacha.org</a> or in our office lobby.

#### SOCIAL SECURITY / SSI / SSDI

• If you or a family member have been receiving Social Security, SSI, or SSDI for more than 3 months you are <u>not</u> required to provide an award letter. If you have been receiving this source of income for less than 3 months or the amount you receive has changed (not including COLA) you must provide a copy of a current award letter dated within the last 60 days. If you are unable to provide the document(s), you may request a copy of your award letter by calling 1-800-772-1213 or going to www.ssa.gov.

### **SELF EMPLOYMENT**

You must complete a Self-Employment Form to include the income and expenses for the last 12 months. Receipts for expenses must be attached to the form. The form is available online at <a href="www.bcacha.org">www.bcacha.org</a> or in our office lobby.

• You must also provide a copy of your most recent tax return. If you do not have a tax return because it is new employment, please indicate that on the form.

### **CHILD SUPPORT:**

- If you have an open case with Idaho you do not need to provide a printout
- If you receive child support from another state, you must provide a printout of the last 12 months
- If you don't have an open case but receive child support you must provide documentation of the payments received (ex. Notarized statement from the paying parent or copies of checks)

### **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS:**

• If you are currently receiving unemployment, you must provide a printout of the last 12 months. Screenshots will not be accepted.

#### **GIFT CONTRIBUTION**

You must provide a notarized statement from the person(s) that give you money or pay your bills. This
must include the amount they provide/pay on a monthly basis

#### OTHER INCOME:

• For all other income sources you must provide documentation from the source stating the monthly amount received. For example, VA pension, Pension, Annuities, Disability Income, Workmen's Compensation, Alimony, etc.







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### II. ASSETS

#### **BANK STATEMENTS**

Current bank statements for all accounts for all family members (i.e., Checking, savings, CDs, etc.)

#### STOCKS/BONDS

Current statement indicating value of stock, and dividend amount.

#### LIFE INSURANCE

Cash surrender value only (please attach table of cash value)

### III. FULL TIME STUDENT STATUS (including students 18 or older in high school and/or college)

- Please provide a LETTER from the school's REGISTRAR OFFICE indicating current full time student status (DO NOT provide an acceptance letter, bill, or schedule); and
- If enrolled in college, please provide a print out of Financial Aid award letter
- **MEDICAL EXPENSES** If you, your Spouse, or Co-Head are 62 years of age or older, disabled, and you have medical expenses that exceed your insurance coverage, your family may provide documentation of out of pocket medical expenses.
  - For prescription medications you would need to provide a print out of the last 12 months from your pharmacy. Over the counter expenses are not eligible, even if prescribed by a Health Care Provider.
     If you have outstanding medical bills and you have entered into repayment agreement with a Health Care Provider and are currently making payments, you may provide your Health Care Provider with a Medical Verification Form that is available on our website at <a href="www.bcacha.org">www.bcacha.org</a> or in our office lobby.
  - Medical coverage (Only if you pay a premium).
- V. <u>CHILD CARE EXPENSES</u>- If you have children 12 years old or younger and you pay for child care to enable a family member to work, actively seek work, or attend school, you may qualify for a child care expense deduction.
  - · Provide the name, address, phone number and fax of your child care provider
  - You must provide copies of the last 3 months receipts
  - If applicable, a copy of your most recent ICCP award letter

It is the policy of BCACHA to see that every individual regardless of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or disability shall have equal opportunity in accessing affordable housing. If you or anyone in your family is a person with disabilities, and you require a specific accommodation in order to fully utilize our programs and services, please submit a request in writing or contact our office at (208) 345-4097.







# 1001 S. Orchard Street Roise Idaho 83705 PARTICIPANT INFORMATION FORM

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Are you reporting a change? LIYES LINO If yes, please list change(s)									
HOME PHONE:			CEL	L PHON	E:				
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### **INCOME INFORMATION**

Check all sources of income received by everyone living in your household. This includes money from wages, self-employment, child support, Social Security, Workman's Compensation, retirement benefits, AABD, Veterans benefits, rental property income, alimony, gift contributions, and all other sources.

You MUST attach current documentation as proof of each source of income.

See enclosed Document List.

□ Retirement benefits

Pensions

□ Other: \_

□ Child Support

■ Social Security

■ Alimony

■ Employment wages

■ Unemployment benefits

■ Self- Employment

<b>□</b> SS	SI or SSDI	□ Veterar	ns pension or ben	nefits		
	ABD payments	☐ Gift contri	butions			
List all sources and am	ounts below:					
Household Member	Name of income source / Employer	Monthly Wages	Monthly Child Support	Social Security Benefits	Unemployment Benefits	All other Income (Gifts, Pensions, etc.)
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### **MEDICAL EXPENSE ALLOWANCE**

May complete ONLY if the Head of Household, Spouse, or Co-Head is age 62 or older or disabled

If you wish to claim an allowance for your <u>out of pocket</u> Medical Insurance Premiums; Medical, Dental, or Optical Expenses; or Expenses for Prescription Medicines, complete the following. **You MUST attach current documentation for each medical expense in order for it to be included.** Do not list health care providers whose services are covered entirely by insurance, or to whom you do not owe any amount.

Household Member	- / F		
	Type of Expense	Name of the Provider <b>You Pay</b> for this Expense	Amount You paid/pay "Out of Pocket"
	□ Doctor/Dental/Hospital □ Medicate □ Insurance Premium □ Other:	ions	
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	OTHER ALLOWA	ANCE	
Do <b>YOU</b> pay child care for a family member under the age of thirteen (13)?	what child(ren)?	Child Care Provider Name	Amount you pay
□ No			
(You must attach acceptable docum	nentation in order for this expense to be i	ncluded. See enclosed Document List.	)
	PARTICIPANT CERTI	FICATION	
	**All household members 18 or old	der MUST sign**	
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Date



Other Adult Member Signature



PHA requesting release of in	nformation:				
Boise City / Ada Cot 1001 S. Orchard St. Boise, ID 83705	unty Housing Authority				
Authority: 42 U.S.C. 1437f	and 3535(d), implemented at	24CFR 982.551(b	)).		
and marital status, employm Activity. HUD and the HA r	ent income, welfare income, need this information to verify	assets, residences your eligibility for	and rental activity, or assisted housing	request information including but not limited to: ide Medical or Child Care Allowances, Credit and Cri- benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct overify your eligibility and level of benefits.	minal
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Sources of Information:	The groups or individuals that n	nay be asked to rele	ease the authorized in	nformation include but are not limited to:	
	Previous Landlords		Social Security A	Administration	
	Current and Prospective Lan	dlords	State Unemployr	nent Agencies	
	Courts and Post Offices		Veterans Admini	stration	
	Schools and Colleges		Retirement Systems		
	Law Enforcement Agencies		Medical and Ch	ild Care Providers	
	Support and Alimony Provide	lers	Banks and other	Financial Institutions	
	Past and Present Employers		Credit Providers	s and Credit Bureaus	
	Welfare Agencies		Utility Companie	28	
business, or individual for that HAs that receive infor	the purpose of verifying my mation under this consent fo	eligibility and lev orm cannot use it	vel of benefits unde to deny, reduce or	ny Federal, State, or local agency, organization, er HUD's assisted housing programs. I understand terminate assistance without first independently those determinations. This consent form expires	
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Head of Household		Date		Last 4 digits of Social Security Number	
				XXX-XX-	
Spouse/Co-Head		Date		Last 4 digits of Social Security Number	
				XXX-XX-	
Other Adult over age 18		Date	<del></del>	Last 4 digits of Social Security Number	
Office Additional age 16		Date		Last 4 digits of Social Security Number	
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Other Adult over age 18		Date		Last 4 digits of Social Security Number	
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# Authorization for the Release of Information/Privacy Act Notice to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Housing Agency/Authority (HA)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Public and Indian Housing

PHA or IHA requesting release of information (full address, name of contact person, and date):

Boise City / Ada County Housing Authorities 1001 S Orchard St Boise, ID 83705

Authority: Section 904 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988, as amended by Section 903 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 and Section 3003 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993. This law is found at 42 U.S.C. 3544. This law requires you to sign a consent form authorizing: (1) HUD, and the Housing Agency/Authority (HA) to request verification of salary and wages from current or previous employers; (2) HUD and the HA to request wage and unemployment compensation claim information from the state agency responsible for keeping that information; and (3) HUD to request certain tax return information from the U.S. Social Security Administration and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

Section 104 of the Housing Opportunity and Modernization Act of 2016. The relevant provisions are found at 42 U.S.C. 1437n. This law requires you to sign a consent form authorizing the HA to request verification of any financial record from any financial institutions as defined in the Right to Financial Privacy Act (12 U.S.C. 3401)), whenever the HA determines the record is needed to determine an applicant's or participant's eligibility for assistance or level of benefits.

**Purpose:** In signing this consent form, you are authorizing HUD and the above-named HA to request income information from the sources listed on the form. HUD and the HA need this information to verify your household's income, in order to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level. HUD and the HA may participate in computer matching programs with these sources in order to verify your eligibility and level of benefits.

Uses of Information to be Obtained: HUD is required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. HUD may disclose information (other than tax return information) for certain routine uses, such as to other government agencies for law enforcement purposes, to Federal agencies for employment suitability purposes and to HAs for the purpose of determining housing assistance. The HA is also required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with any applicable State privacy law. HUD and HA employees may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of the income information that is obtained based on the consent form. Private owners may not request or receive information authorized by this form.

Who Must Sign the Consent Form: Each member of your family who is 18 years of age or older must sign the consent form. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members joining the family or whenever members of the family become 18 years of age.

Persons who apply for or receive assistance under the following programs are required to sign this consent form:

Public Housing Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation

**Failure to Sign Consent Form:** Your failure to sign the consent form may result in the denial of eligibility or termination of assisted housing benefits, or both. Denial of eligibility or termination of benefits is subject to the HA's grievance procedures and Section 8 informal hearing procedures.

**Revocation of consent:** If you revoke consent, the PHA will be unable to verify your information, although the data matches between HUD and other agencies will continue to automatically occur in the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System if the family is not terminated from the program.

### Sources of Information to be Obtained

State Wage Information Collection Agencies. (This consent is limited to wages and unemployment compensation I have received when I have received assisted housing benefits.)

U.S. Social Security Administration (HUD only) (This consent is limited to the wage and self-employment information and payments of retirement income as referenced at Section 6103(l)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.)

U.S. Internal Revenue Service (HUD only) (This consent is limited to unearned income [i.e., interest and dividends].)

Information may also be obtained directly from: (a) current and former employers concerning salary and wages; and (b) financial institutions as defined in the Right to Financial Privacy Act (12 U.S.C. 3401), whenever the HA determines the record is needed to determine an applicant's or participant's eligibility for assistance or level of benefits. I understand that income information obtained from these sources will be used to verify information that I provide in determining eligibility for assisted housing programs and the level of benefits. Therefore, this consent form only authorizes release directly from employers and financial institutions of information.

Consent: I consent to allow HUD or the HA to request and obtain income information from the sources listed on this form for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and level of benefits under HUD's assisted housing programs. I understand that HAs that receive income information under this consent form cannot use it to deny, reduce or terminate assistance without first independently verifying what the amount was, whether I actually had access to the funds and when the funds were received. In addition, I must be given an opportunity to contest those determinations.

This consent form remains effective until the earliest of (i) the rendering of a final adverse decision for an assistance applicant; (ii) the cessation of a participant's eligibility for assistance from HUD and the PHA; or (iii) The express revocation by the assistance applicant or recipient (or applicable family member) of the authorization, in a written notification to HUD or the PHA.

Head of Household	Date		
Social Security Number (if any) of Head of Household	<u></u>	Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Spouse	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Other Family Member over age 18	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Other Family Member over age 18	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date

**Privacy Advisory.** Authority: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et. seq.), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), and by the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19). Purpose: This form authorizes HUD and the above-named HA to request income information to verify your household's income in order to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level. Failure to provide any of the requested information may result in a delay or rejection of your eligibility approval.

Penalties for Misusing this Consent: HUD and the HA (or any employee of HUD or the HA) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form. Use of the information collected based on the form HUD 9886 is restricted to the purposes cited on the form HUD 9886. Any person who knowingly or willfully requests, obtains, or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or participant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000. Any applicant or participant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD or the HA for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use.

OMB Burden Statement. The public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to be 0.16 hours for new admissions and .08 hours for household members turning 19, including the time for reviewing, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Collection of information income and assets is required for program eligibility determination purposes. The submission of the consent form is necessary (form-HUD 9886) so that PHAs can carry out the requirements of Section 904 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988, as amended by Section 903 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 and Section 3003 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 3544) and Section 104 of HOTMA to ensure that HUD and PHAs can verify eligibility and income information for applicants and participants. This information collection is protected from disclosure by the Privacy Act. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions to reduce this burden, to the Office of Public and Indian Housing, US. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410. When providing comments, please refer to OMB Approval No. 2577-0295. HUD may not conduct and sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid control number.

Signatures:



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# FAMILY OBLIGATIONS & HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

### POLICY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

(Please read both pages of this form carefully)

The guidelines outlined in this document are provided to help you comply with the rules and regulations of the Boise City/Ada County Housing Authority (BCACHA) HCV Program. In order to provide rental assistance to as many eligible families as possible, all participants in this HUD-funded program must properly utilize government funds and follow policy requirements. Fraud, willful misrepresentations, or intent to deceive with regard to reporting requirements of the HCV Program are criminal acts and may be prosecuted in a court of law.

### ACTS OF FRAUD IN CONNECTION WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE TERMINATION FROM THE PROGRAM.

Please read the family obligations and reporting requirements carefully. Your signature on this document serves as verification that you have read and understand the information contained within this document. If you have any questions regarding program requirements, please contact your Housing Representative at (208) 345-4907.

### **FAMILY OBLIGATIONS**

The family obligations listed in this section are in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 24, 982.551. A summary of the family obligations is provided below.

- 1. The Family must supply any information that BCACHA or HUD determines to be necessary in the administration of the program.
- 2. The family must disclose and verify social security numbers and sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information.
- 3. Any information supplied by the family must be true and complete.
- 4. The family is responsible for any Housing Quality Standards (HQS) breach by the family, including but not limited to, failure to pay tenant-provided utilities or appliances, or damages to the dwelling unit or premises beyond normal wear and tear caused by any member of the household or guest.
- 5. The family must allow BCACHA to inspect the unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice.
- 6. The family may not commit any serious or repeated violation(s) of the lease.
- 7. The family must notify BCACHA and the owner, IN WRITING, before moving out of the unit or terminating the lease. A minimum 30-day notice is required.
- 8. The family must promptly give BCACHA a copy of any eviction notice.
- 9. The family must use the assisted unit for residence by the family. The unit must be the family's only residence.
- 10. The composition of the assisted family residing in the unit must be approved by BCACHA and the landlord. The family must promptly inform BCACHA of the birth, adoption or court-awarded custody of a child. The family must request BCACHA and landlord's approval to add any other family member as an occupant of the unit.
- 11. The family must promptly notify BCACHA if any family member no longer resides in the unit.
- 12. The family must not sublease the unit, assign the lease, or transfer the unit.
- 13. The family must promptly notify BCACHA of any extended absence from the unit. Extended absence is defined as any period greater than 30 calendar days.
- 14. The family must pay utility bills and provide and maintain any appliances that the owner is not required to provide under the lease.
- 15. The family must not own or have any interest in the unit. A family must not receive HCV assistance while residing in a unit owned by a parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the





- family, unless BCACHA has determined that approving rental of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.
- 16. The members of the family must not commit fraud, bribery, or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with the program.
- 17. The members of the family may not engage in drug-related criminal activity, violent criminal activity, other criminal activity, or the abuse of alcohol that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.
- 18. An assisted family or member of the family may not receive HCV assistance while receiving any other housing subsidy for the same unit or a different unit under any other federal, state, or local housing assistance program.

### HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- \*\* For a change to be effective on the 1st of the month following the change, the change must be reported in writing by the 20th day of the preceding month. \*\*
- 1. INCOME: All Applicants/Participants must report all sources of income initially and at each annual reexamination. Examples include, but, are not limited to: Employment Wages; Child Support Payments; Social Security Income; Supplemental Income (SSI); Cash Assistance through Health & Welfare (AABD); Pension Income; Veteran's Benefits.
- 2. CHANGES IN INCOME: Participants must report all increases in income within 10 days of the occurrence.
- 3. REPORT ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS: Identify all individuals who are residing in the unit, and/or any individuals who are expected to reside in the unit.
- 4. NO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS may reside in the unit without prior written approval from the BCACHA and owner. No unauthorized person may receive any type of mail at the subsidized unit address.
- 5. VISITORS. HCV participants are allowed to have visitors for a total of no more than 30 days during any 12- month period.

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE RECEIVED A VOUCHER BRIEFING PACKET THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING FORMS: 1) IS FRAUD WORTH IT? HUD-1141; 2) WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT EIV; 3) NOTICE OF OCCUPANCY RIGHTS AND HUD-5382; 4) INFORMATION ON HOW TO FILL OUT AND FILE A HOUSING DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT FORM; 5) PROTECT YOUR FAMILY FROM LEAD IN YOUR HOME; 6) LIST OF COMMON HOS FAILS.

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I UNDERSTAND THE HCV PROGRAM FAMILY OBLIGATIONS AND THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. I HEREBY AGREE TO FOLLOW THE FAMILY OBLIGATIONS AND REPORT ANY OF THE ABOVE LISTED CHANGES TO THE BCACHA WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS OF THE CHANGE OR OCCURRENCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE ABOVE RULES MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF MY HCV RENTAL ASSISTANCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT I CAN BE FINED UP TO \$10,000, OR IMPRISONED UP TO FIVE YEARS IF I FURNISH FALSE OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION.

Signature:			
orginature.	Head of Household	Date	
Signature:			
	Spouse/Co-Head/Other Adult	Date	
Signature:			
	Other Adult Household Member	Date	

\*\* THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL ADULTS IN THE HOUSEHOLD \*\*

Supplemental and Optional Contact Information for HUD-Assisted Housing Applicants

### SUPPLEMENT TO APPLICATION FOR FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING

This form is to be provided to each applicant for federally assisted housing

**Instructions: Optional Contact Person or Organization**: You have the right by law to include as part of your application for housing, the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or social, health, advocacy, or other organization. This contact information is for the purpose of identifying a person or organization that may be able to help in resolving any issues that may arise during your tenancy or to assist in providing any special care or services you may require. **You may update, remove, or change the information you provide on this form at any time.** You are not required to provide this contact information, but if you choose to do so, please include the relevant information on this form.

Applicant Name:				
Mailing Address:				
Telephone No:	Cell Phone No:			
Name of Additional Contact Person or Organization:				
Address:				
Telephone No:	Cell Phone No:			
E-Mail Address (if applicable):				
Relationship to Applicant:				
Reason for Contact: (Check all that apply)				
☐ Emergency ☐ Unable to contact you ☐ Termination of rental assistance ☐ Eviction from unit ☐ Late payment of rent	Assist with Recertification P Change in lease terms Change in house rules Other:	rocess		
Commitment of Housing Authority or Owner: If you are app arise during your tenancy or if you require any services or special issues or in providing any services or special care to you.				
<b>Confidentiality Statement:</b> The information provided on this for applicant or applicable law.	orm is confidential and will not be disc	osed to anyone except as permitted by the		
<b>Legal Notification:</b> Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) requires each applicant for federally assisted housing to be offered the option of providing information regarding an additional contact person or organization. By accepting the applicant's application, the housing provider agrees to comply with the non-discrimination and equal opportunity requirements of 24 CFR section 5.105, including the prohibitions on discrimination in admission to or participation in federally assisted housing programs on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, and familial status under the Fair Housing Act, and the prohibition on age discrimination under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.				
Check this box if you choose not to provide the contact	information.			
Signature of Applicant		Date		

The information collection requirements contained in this form were submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The public reporting burden is estimated at 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13604) imposed on HUD the obligation to require housing providers participating in HUD's assisted housing programs to provide any individual or family applying for occupancy in HUD-assisted housing with the option to include in the application for occupancy the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or person associated with a social, health, advocacy, or similar organization. The objective of providing such information is to facilitate contact by the housing provider with the person or organization identified by the tenant to assist in providing any delivery of services or special care to the tenant and assist with resolving any tenancy issues arising during the tenancy of such tenant. This supplemental application information is to be maintained by the housing provider and maintained as confidential information. Providing the information is basic to the operations of the HUD Assisted-Housing Program and is voluntary. It supports statutory requirements and program and management controls that prevent fraud, waste and mismanagement. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Privacy Statement: Public Law 102-550, authorizes the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to collect all the information (except the Social Security Number (SSN)) which will be used by HUD to protect disbursement data from fraudulent actions.



# APPLYING FOR HUD HOUSING ASSISTANCE?

# THINK ABOUT THIS... IS FRAUD WORTH IT?

### Do You Realize...

If you commit fraud to obtain assisted housing from HUD, you could be:

- Evicted from your apartment or house.
- Required to repay all overpaid rental assistance you received.
- Fined up to \$10,000.
- Imprisoned for up to five years.
- **Prohibited** from receiving future assistance.
- Subject to State and local government penalties.

### Do You Know...

You are committing fraud if you sign a form knowing that you provided false or misleading information.

The information you provide on housing assistance application and recertification forms will be checked. The local housing agency, HUD, or the Office of Inspector General will check the income and asset information you provide with other Federal, State, or local governments and with private agencies. Certifying false information is fraud.

### So Be Careful!

When you fill out your application and yearly recertification for assisted housing from HUD make sure your answers to the questions are accurate and honest. You must include:

All sources of income and changes in income you or any members of your household receive, such as wages, welfare payments, social security and veterans' benefits, pensions, retirement, etc.

Any money you receive on behalf of your children, such as child support, AFDC payments, social security for children, etc.

Any increase in income, such as wages from a new job or an expected pay raise or bonus.

All assets, such as bank accounts, savings bonds, certificates of deposit, stocks, real estate, etc., that are owned by you or any member of your household.

All income from assets, such as interest from savings and checking accounts, stock dividends, etc.

Any business or asset (your home) that you sold in the last two years at less than full value.

The names of everyone, adults or children, relatives and non-relatives, who are living with you and make up your household.

(Important Notice for Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita Evacuees: HUD's reporting requirements may be temporarily waived or suspended because of your circumstances. Contact the local housing agency before you complete the housing assistance application.)

### **Ask Questions**

If you don't understand something on the application or recertification forms, always ask questions. It's better to be safe than sorry.

### Watch Out for Housing Assistance Scams!

- Don't pay money to have someone fill out housing assistance application and recertification forms for you.
- Don't pay money to move up on a waiting list.
- Don't pay for anything that is not covered by your lease.
- Get a receipt for any money you pay.
- Get a written explanation if you are required to pay for anything other than rent (maintenance or utility charges).

### Report Fraud

If you know of anyone who provided false information on a HUD housing assistance application or recertification or if anyone tells you to provide false information, report that person to the HUD Office of Inspector General Hotline. You can call the Hotline toll-free Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time, at 1-800-347-3735. You can fax information to (202) 708-4829 or e-mail it to <a href="https://hotline@hudoig.gov">Hotline@hudoig.gov</a>. You can write the Hotline at:



HUD OIG Hotline, GFI 451 7<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20410



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH)



RENTAL HOUSING INTEGRITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

### What You Should Know About EIV

A Guide for Applicants & Tenants of Public Housing & Section 8 Programs

#### What is EIV?

The Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system is a web-based computer system that contains employment and income information of individuals who participate in HUD rental assistance programs. All Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) are required to use HUD's EIV system.

### What information is in EIV and where does it come from?

HUD obtains information about you from your local PHA, the Social Security Administration (SSA), and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

HHS provides HUD with wage and employment information as reported by employers; and unemployment compensation information as reported by the State Workforce Agency (SWA).

SSA provides HUD with death, Social Security (SS) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) information.

### What is the EIV information used for?

Primarily, the information is used by PHAs (and management agents hired by PHAs) for the following purposes to:

- Confirm your name, date of birth (DOB), and Social Security Number (SSN) with SSA.
- 2. Verify your reported income sources and amounts
- Confirm your participation in only one HUD rental assistance program.
- Confirm if you owe an outstanding debt to any
  PHA
- Confirm any negative status if you moved out of a subsidized unit (in the past) under the Public Housing or Section 8 program.
- Follow up with you, other adult household members, or your listed emergency contact regarding deceased household members.

EIV will alert your PHA if you or anyone in your household has used a false SSN, failed to report complete and accurate income information, or is receiving rental assistance at another address. Remember, you may receive rental assistance at only one home!

EIV will also alert PHAs if you owe an outstanding debt to any PHA (in any state or U.S. territory) and any negative status when you voluntarily or involuntarily moved out of a subsidized unit under the Public Housing or Section 8 program. This information is used to determine your eligibility for rental assistance at the time of application.

The information in EIV is also used by HUD, HUD's Office of Inspector General (OIG), and auditors to ensure that your family and PHAs comply with HUD rules

Overall, the purpose of EIV is to identify and prevent fraud within HUD rental assistance programs, so that limited taxpayer's dollars can assist as many eligible families as possible. EIV will help to improve the integrity of HUD rental assistance programs.

### Is my consent required in order for information to be obtained about me?

Yes, your consent is required in order for HUD or the PHA to obtain information about you. By law, you are required to sign one or more consent forms. When you sign a form HUD-9886 (Federal Privacy Act Notice and Authorization for Release of Information) or a PHA consent form (which meets HUD standards), you are giving HUD and the PHA your consent for them to obtain information about you for the purpose of determining your eligibility and amount of rental assistance. The information collected about you will be used only to determine your eligibility for the program, unless you consent in writing to authorize additional uses of the information by the PHA.

<u>Note:</u> If you or any of your adult household members refuse to sign a consent form, your request for initial or continued rental assistance may be denied. You may also be terminated from the HUD rental assistance program.

### What are my responsibilities?

As a tenant (participant) of a HUD rental assistance program, you and each adult household member must disclose complete and accurate information to the PHA, including full name, SSN, and DOB; income information; and certify that your reported household composition (household members), income, and expense information is true to the best of your knowledge.

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Remember, you must notify your PHA if a household member dies or moves out. You must also obtain the PHA's approval to allow additional family members or friends to move in your home **prior** to them moving in.

### What are the penalties for providing false information?

Knowingly providing false, inaccurate, or incomplete information is *FRAUD* and a *CRIME*.

If you commit fraud, you and your family may be subject to any of the following penalties:

- 1. Eviction
- 2. Termination of assistance
- 3. Repayment of rent that you should have paid had you reported your income correctly
- 4. Prohibited from receiving future rental assistance for a period of up to 10 years
- Prosecution by the local, state, or Federal prosecutor, which may result in you being fined up to \$10,000 and/or serving time in jail.

Protect yourself by following HUD reporting requirements. When completing applications and reexaminations, you must include all sources of income you or any member of your household receives.

If you have any questions on whether money received should be counted as income or how your rent is determined, <u>ask your PHA</u>. When changes occur in your household income, <u>contact your PHA immediately</u> to determine if this will affect your rental assistance.

### What do I do if the EIV information is incorrect?

Sometimes the source of EIV information may make an error when submitting or reporting information about you. If you do not agree with the EIV information, let your PHA know.

If necessary, your PHA will contact the source of the information directly to verify disputed income information. Below are the procedures you and the PHA should follow regarding incorrect EIV information.

Debts owed to PHAs and termination information reported in EIV originates from the PHA who provided you assistance in the past. If you dispute this information, contact your former PHA directly in writing to dispute this information and provide any documentation that supports your dispute. If the PHA determines that the disputed information is incorrect, the PHA will update or delete the record from EIV.

**Employment and wage information** reported in EIV originates from the employer. If you dispute this information, contact the employer in writing to dispute <a href="mailto:and">and</a> request correction of the disputed employment and/or wage information. Provide your PHA with a copy of the letter that you sent to the employer. If you are unable to get the employer to correct the information, you should contact the SWA for assistance.

**Unemployment benefit information** reported in EIV originates from the SWA. If you dispute this information, contact the SWA in writing to dispute <u>and</u> request correction of the disputed unemployment benefit information. Provide your PHA with a copy of the letter that you sent to the SWA.

Death, SS and SSI benefit information reported in EIV originates from the SSA. If you dispute this information, contact the SSA at (800) 772–1213, or visit their website at: <a href="www.socialsecurity.gov">www.socialsecurity.gov</a>. You may need to visit your local SSA office to have disputed death information corrected.

Additional Verification. The PHA, with your consent, may submit a third party verification form to the provider (or reporter) of your income for completion and submission to the PHA.

You may also provide the PHA with third party documents (i.e. pay stubs, benefit award letters, bank statements, etc.) which you may have in your possession.

Identity Theft. Unknown EIV information to you can be a sign of identity theft. Sometimes someone else may use your SSN, either on purpose or by accident. So, if you suspect someone is using your SSN, you should check your Social Security records to ensure your income is calculated correctly (call SSA at (800) 772-1213); file an identity theft complaint with your local police department or the Federal Trade Commission (call FTC at (877) 438-4338, or you may visit their website at: <a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a>). Provide your PHA with a copy of your identity theft complaint.

### Where can I obtain more information on EIV and the income verification process?

Your PHA can provide you with additional information on EIV and the income verification process. You may also read more about EIV and the income verification process on HUD's Public and Indian Housing EIV web pages at: http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/thip/uiv.cfm.

The information in this Guide pertains to applicants and participants (tenants) of the following HUD-PIH rental assistance programs:

- 1. Public Housing (24 CFR 960); and
- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV), (24 CFR 982); and
- 3. Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation (24 CFR 882); and
- 4. Project-Based Voucher (24 CFR 983)

My signature below is confirmation that I have received this Guide.

Signature Date

# Where would you like to be in 5 years? Let the Family Self Sufficiency Program help you get there!

### What is FSS?

A voluntary program offered to section 8 housing participants that will provide tools and encouragement to help you reach self-sufficiency! The final goal of your plan must include finding and maintaining full-time employment, which will lead you to freedom from government assistance programs and to economic independence!

### How do I get started?

After completing a Pre-enrollment form, we will contact you for an appointment when a slot becomes available.

You will then meet with an FSS Coordinator to sign a Contract of Participation and create an Individual Training and Services Plan tailored specifically to your needs and future goals. This plan will be the roadmap used on your journey toward achieving self-sufficiency.

### What are some of the benefits?

Working with local agencies and community partners, we provide access to resources that will help you remove barriers and achieve your goals. We provide ongoing support, information and assistance by linking you with services such as career counseling & testing, training & educational programs, job search & job retention assistance. We also offer workshops on banking, budgeting, credit repair, money management, parenting, home ownership, and other topics as needed.

### What about the savings account?

As your earned income increases, an escrow account is established in your name that will earn tax-free savings as long as you continue to earn wages. If you successfully complete your goals within the 5-year time frame, you are entitled to the escrow dollars. Some families use this money to move to home ownership. Your FSS Coordinator can link you to other community programs that may offer down payment assistance, provide matching grant funds, or other resources needed for purchasing a home.

### What are you waiting for?

Contact: The FSS Department 1001 S Orchard St Boise, ID 83705 208-345-4907

### THIS PROGRAM IS FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (SECTION 8) HOLDERS ONLY

Referral Source:	
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### **Family Self-Sufficiency Program Pre-Enrollment Application**

"Start Living Your American Dream"

Do you dream of returning to school? Starting a business? Buying a home? The Boise City/Ada County Housing Authority offers a special program that, as a voucher holder, you can take advantage of to help you obtain your dream of a better life for you and your family. Start the process now by filling out and returning this interest form.

First Name:	ne: Last Name:					
Current Address:		Apt#:				
		E-mail Address:				
Home Phone:	Work:	Cell:				
I am interested in: (Please						
☐ Finding a job/better job	☐ Developing go	oals   Completing a job training program				
☐ Upgrading my job skills	☐ Career Explor	ration				
☐ Accessing health care	☐ Taking ESL cl	lasses				
☐ Getting a college degree	e 🔲 Start a saving	gs account   Obtaining my GED/HS diploma				
☐ Other:						
I have additional needs: (Please check all that apply)  ☐ Disability ☐ Health Issues ☐ Limited ability to read or speak English ☐ Senior ☐ Other:						
Family Self-Sufficiency H						
Have you participated in the	e Family Self-Sufficiency	y Program in the past? ☐ Yes ☐ No				
If yes, were you awarded a	ny escrow money during	g your participation? ☐ Yes ☐ No				
Signature:		Date:				

**Use Your Section 8 Advantage And Start Living Your American Dream Now.** 

Fill out this form and return it to:

Boise City/Ada County Housing Authority Attn: Family Self Sufficiency Program 1001 S. Orchard St. Boise, ID 83705

A Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator will contact you about developing your personalized action plan.

CERTIFICATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR ST U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

OMB Approval No. 2577-0286 Exp. 06/30/2017

SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING, AND ALTERNATE DOCUMENTATION

**Purpose of Form:** The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") protects applicants, tenants, and program participants in certain HUD programs from being evicted, denied housing assistance, or terminated from housing assistance based on acts of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against them. Despite the name of this law, VAWA protection is available to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

**Use of This Optional Form:** If you are seeking VAWA protections from your housing provider, your housing provider may give you a written request that asks you to submit documentation about the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

In response to this request, you or someone on your behalf may complete this optional form and submit it to your housing provider, or you may submit one of the following types of third-party documentation:

- (1) A document signed by you and an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, or medical professional, or a mental health professional (collectively, "professional") from whom you have sought assistance relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or the effects of abuse. The document must specify, under penalty of perjury, that the professional believes the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking occurred and meet the definition of "domestic violence," "dating violence," "sexual assault," or "stalking" in HUD's regulations at 24 CFR 5.2003.
- (2) A record of a Federal, State, tribal, territorial or local law enforcement agency, court, or administrative agency; or
- (3) At the discretion of the housing provider, a statement or other evidence provided by the applicant or tenant.

**Submission of Documentation:** The time period to submit documentation is 14 business days from the date that you receive a written request from your housing provider asking that you provide documentation of the occurrence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Your housing provider may, but is not required to, extend the time period to submit the documentation, if you request an extension of the time period. If the requested information is not received within 14 business days of when you received the request for the documentation, or any extension of the date provided by your housing provider, your housing provider does not need to grant you any of the VAWA protections. Distribution or issuance of this form does not serve as a written request for certification.

Confidentiality: All information provided to your housing provider concerning the incident(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking shall be kept confidential and such details shall not be entered into any shared database. Employees of your housing provider are not to have access to these details unless to grant or deny VAWA protections to you, and such employees may not disclose this information to any other entity or individual, except to the extent that disclosure is: (i) consented to by you in writing in a time-limited release; (ii) required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance; or (iii) otherwise required by applicable law.

## TO BE COMPLETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING

. Date the written request is received by victim:					
2. Name of victim:					
3. Your name (if different from victim's):					
4. Name(s) of other family member(s) listed on the lease:					
5. Residence of victim:					
6. Name of the accused perpetrator (if known and can be safely disclosed):					
7. Relationship of the accused perpetrator to the victim:					
8. Date(s) and times(s) of incident(s) (if known):					
10. Location of incident(s):					
In your own words, briefly describe the incident(s):					
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This is to certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection, and that the individual named above in Item 2 is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. I acknowledge that submission of false information could jeopardize program eligibility and could be the basis for denial of admission, termination of assistance, or eviction.					
SignatureSigned on (Date)					

**Public Reporting Burden:** The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response. This includes the time for collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data. The information provided is to be used by the housing provider to request certification that the applicant or tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The information is subject to the confidentiality requirements of VAWA. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

### Boise City / Ada County Housing Authority Notice of Occupancy Rights under the Violence Against Women Act<sup>1</sup>

### To all Tenants and Applicants

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) provides protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. VAWA protections are not only available to women, but are available equally to all individuals regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.<sup>2</sup> The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the Federal agency that oversees that the Housing Choice Voucher Program is in compliance with VAWA. This notice explains your rights under VAWA. A HUD-approved certification form is attached to this notice. You can fill out this form to show that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and that you wish to use your rights under VAWA."

### **Protections for Applicants**

If you otherwise qualify for assistance under the Housing Choice Voucher Program, you cannot be denied admission or denied assistance because you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

### **Protections for Tenants**

If you are receiving assistance under the Housing Choice Voucher Program, you may not be denied assistance, terminated from participation, or be evicted from your rental housing because you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Also, if you or an affiliated individual of yours is or has been the victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking by a member of your household or any guest, you may not be denied rental assistance or occupancy rights under the Housing Choice Voucher Program solely on the basis of criminal activity directly relating to that domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Affiliated individual means your spouse, parent, brother, sister, or child, or a person to whom you stand in the place of a parent or guardian (for example, the affiliated individual is in your care, custody, or control); or any individual, tenant, or lawful occupant living in your household.

### Removing the Abuser or Perpetrator from the Household

Housing Provider may divide (bifurcate) your lease in order to evict the individual or terminate the assistance of the individual who has engaged in criminal activity (the abuser or perpetrator) directly relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

If Housing Provider chooses to remove the abuser or perpetrator, Housing Provider may not take away the rights of eligible tenants to the unit or otherwise punish the remaining tenants. If the evicted abuser or perpetrator was the sole tenant to have established eligibility for assistance under the program, Housing Provider must allow the tenant who is or has been a victim and other household members to remain in the unit for a period of time, in order to establish eligibility under the program or under another HUD housing program covered by VAWA, or, find alternative housing. In removing the abuser or perpetrator from the household, Housing Provider must follow Federal, State, and local eviction procedures. In order to divide a lease, Housing Provider may, but is not required to, ask you for documentation or certification of the incidences of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

#### **Moving to Another Unit**

Upon your request, Housing Provider may permit you to move to another unit, subject to the availability of other units, and still keep your assistance. In order to approve a request, Housing Provider may ask you to provide documentation that you are requesting to move because of an incidence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. If the request is a request for emergency transfer, the housing provider may ask you to submit a written request or fill out a form where you certify that you meet the criteria for an emergency transfer under VAWA. The criteria are:

1) You are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. If your housing provider does not already have documentation that you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, your housing provider may ask you for such documentation, as described in the documentation section below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Despite the name of this law, VAWA protection is available regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Housing providers cannot discriminate on the basis of any protected characteristic, including race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, or age. HUD-assisted and HUD-insured housing must be made available to all otherwise eligible individuals regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

- 2) **You expressly request the emergency transfer.** Your housing provider may choose to require that you submit a form, or may accept another written or oral request.
- 3) You reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your current unit. This means you have a reason to fear that if you do not receive a transfer you would suffer violence in the very near future.

#### OR

You are a victim of sexual assault and the assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period before you request a transfer. If you are a victim of sexual assault, then in addition to qualifying for an emergency transfer because you reasonably believe you are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if you remain in your unit, you may qualify for an emergency transfer if the sexual assault occurred on the premises of the property from which you are seeking your transfer, and that assault happened within the 90-calendar-day period before you expressly request the transfer.

Housing Provider will keep confidential requests for emergency transfers by victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and the location of any move by such victims and their families.

Housing Provider's emergency transfer plan provides further information on emergency transfers, and Housing Provider must make a copy of its emergency transfer plan available to you if you ask to see it.

### Documenting You Are or Have Been a Victim of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking

Housing Provider can, but is not required to, ask you to provide documentation to "certify" that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Such request from Housing Provider must be in writing, and Housing Provider must give you at least 14 business days (Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays do not count) from the day you receive the request to provide the documentation. Housing Provider may, but does not have to, extend the deadline for the submission of documentation upon your request.

You can provide one of the following to Housing Provider as documentation. It is your choice which of the following to submit if Housing Provider asks you to provide documentation that you are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

- A complete HUD-approved certification form given to you by Housing Provider with this notice, that documents an incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The form will ask for your name, the date, time, and location of the incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and a description of the incident. The certification form provides for including the name of the abuser or perpetrator if the name of the abuser or perpetrator is known and is safe to provide.
- A record of a Federal, State, tribal, territorial, or local law enforcement agency, court, or administrative agency that documents the incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Examples of such records include police reports, protective orders, and restraining orders, among others.
- A statement, which you must sign, along with the signature of an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, a medical professional or a mental health professional (collectively, "professional") from whom you sought assistance in addressing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or the effects of abuse, and with the professional selected by you attesting under penalty of perjury that he or she believes that the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking are grounds for protection.
- Any other statement or evidence that Housing Provider has agreed to accept.

If you fail or refuse to provide one of these documents within the 14 business days, Housing Provider does not have to provide you with the protections contained in this notice.

If Housing Provider receives conflicting evidence that an incident of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed (such as certification forms from two or more members of a household each claiming to be a victim and naming one or more of the other petitioning household members as the abuser or perpetrator), Housing Provider has the right to request that you provide third-party documentation within thirty 30 calendar days in order to resolve the conflict. If you fail or refuse to provide third-party documentation where there is conflicting evidence, Housing Provider does not have to provide you with the protections contained in this notice.

### Confidentiality

Housing Provider must keep confidential any information you provide related to the exercise of your rights under VAWA, including the fact that you are exercising your rights under VAWA. Housing Provider must not allow any individual administering assistance or other services on behalf of Housing Provider (for example, employees and contractors) to have access to confidential information unless for reasons that specifically call for these individuals to have access to this information under applicable Federal, State, or local law.

Housing Provider must not enter your information into any shared database or disclose your information to any other entity or individual. Housing Provider, however, may disclose the information provided if:

- You give written permission to Housing Provider to release the information on a time limited basis.
- Housing Provider needs to use the information in an eviction or termination proceeding, such as to evict your abuser or perpetrator or terminate your abuser or perpetrator from assistance under this program.
- A law requires Housing Provider or your landlord to release the information.

VAWA does not limit Housing Provider's duty to honor court orders about access to or control of the property. This includes orders issued to protect a victim and orders dividing property among household members in cases where a family breaks up.

### Reasons a Tenant Eligible for Occupancy Rights under VAWA May Be Evicted or Assistance May Be Terminated

You can be evicted and your assistance can be terminated for serious or repeated lease violations that are not related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking committed against you. However, Housing Provider cannot hold tenants who have been victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to a more demanding set of rules than it applies to tenants who have not been victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

The protections described in this notice might not apply, and you could be evicted and your assistance terminated, if Housing Provider can demonstrate that not evicting you or terminating your assistance would present a real physical danger that: 1) Would occur within an immediate time frame, and 2) Could result in death or serious bodily harm to other tenants or those who work on the property.

If Housing Provider can demonstrate the above, Housing Provider should only terminate your assistance or evict you if there are no other actions that could be taken to reduce or eliminate the threat.

#### Other Laws

VAWA does not replace any Federal, State, or local law that provides greater protection for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. You may be entitled to additional housing protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking under other Federal laws, as well as under State and local laws.

### Non-Compliance with The Requirements of This Notice

You may report a covered housing provider's violations of these rights and seek additional assistance, if needed, by contacting or filing a complaint with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Seattle Regional Office, 909 First Avenue Suite 200, Seattle WA 98104-1000 or 1-206-220-5101.

### **For Additional Information**

You may view a copy of HUD's final VAWA rule at https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-11-16/pdf/2016-25888.pdf.

Additionally, Housing Provider must make a copy of HUD's VAWA regulations available to you if you ask to see them.

For questions regarding VAWA, please contact the Housing Programs Director at (208) 345-4907.

For help regarding an abusive relationship, you may call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 or, for persons with hearing impairments, 1-800-787-3224 (TTY). You may also contact the **Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance at 1-800-291-0463**.

For tenants who are or have been victims of stalking seeking help may visit the National Center for Victims of Crime's Stalking Resource Center at https://www.victimsofcrime.org/our-programs/stalking-resource-center.

For help regarding sexual assault and stalking, you may contact the **Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence at 1-888-293-6118** 

**Attachment:** Certification form HUD-5382