

**5-Year PHA Plan
(for All PHAs)**

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

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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.				
A.1	PHA Name: <u>Housing Authority of the City of Fort Smith</u>		PHA Code: <u>AR003</u>		
	PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): <u>01/2020</u> PHA Plan Submission Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5-Year Plan Submission <input type="checkbox"/> Revised 5-Year Plan Submission				
	<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>				
	Available for Public Review and Comment				
	<input type="checkbox"/> PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete table below)				
	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:				

B.	5-Year Plan. Required for all 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 mission of the PHA is to improve quality of life through housing and community development.</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> <p>Goal One: Improve and increase the supply of quality assisted rental housing units. Objective: Build new or acquire existing units to serve low-income families. Goal Two: Improve voucher management systems and customer satisfaction. Objective: Improve software functionality to better serve low-income families. Goal Three: Increase the number of available vouchers within PHA service area. Objective: Apply for voucher funding opportunities as they are made available. Goal Four: Promote self-sufficiency through our family self-sufficiency (FSS) program. Objective: Continue to invest in the FSS program. Goal Five: Increase homeownership opportunities for families at or below the area median income. Objective: Continue our partnership with Crawford-Sebastian Community Development Council to build, market, and sell homes for low-income buyers. Goal Six: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing by undertaking measures that ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, and disability. Objective: Continue to adhere to the rules set forth by HUD and the Arkansas Fair Housing Commission.</p>
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> <p>Previous Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing Progress: PHA has continued a partnership with the local community action agency to build 6-10 new single-family homes per year that have been sold to low-income homebuyers. The PHA also helped to rehabilitate a 24-unit complex in a neighboring county that is now an assisted property. In 2019 the PHA converted an 11-unit market rate development into a 10-unit assisted development. Previous Goal: Improve voucher management and customer satisfaction Progress: PHA implemented a new enterprise software to better administer its HCV program. The software provides for various a la carte options the PHA will be considering in the future to help increase customer satisfaction.</p>
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>The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) goals are included in our HCV Administration plan. Additionally, every applicant and program participant are provided with the Model Emergency Plan for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking and HUD Forms 5382 (Certification of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking, and Alternate Documentation) and 5383 (Emergency Transfer Request for Certain Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking).</p>
B.5	<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 PHA hereby defines significant amendment/modification as any change in policy which significantly and substantially alters the Authority's stated mission and the persons the Authority serves. Discretionary and administrative amendments consistent with the Authority's stated overall mission and basic objectives will not be considered significant amendments or modifications. If a significant amendment or modification occurs the public process will include: a public comment period, public notification of where and how the proposed change can be reviewed, and the approval by the Housing Authority Board.</p>
B.6	<p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) provide comments to the 5-Year PHA Plan? Y N <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></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>n/a</p>
B.7	<p>Certification by State or Local Officials. 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>

**Certifications of Compliance with
PHA Plans and Related Regulations
(Standard, Troubled, HCV-Only, and
High Performer PHAs)**

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**PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plan and Related Regulations including
Required Civil Rights Certifications**

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairman or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioners, I approve the submission of the 5-Year and/or Annual PHA Plan for the PHA fiscal year beginning 2020, hereinafter referred to as "the Plan", of which this document is a part and make the following certifications and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in connection with the submission of the Plan and implementation thereof:

1. The Plan is consistent with the applicable comprehensive housing affordability strategy (or any plan incorporating such strategy) for the jurisdiction in which the PHA is located.
2. The Plan contains a certification by the appropriate State or local officials that the Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan, which includes a certification that requires the preparation of an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, for the PHA's jurisdiction and a description of the manner in which the PHA Plan is consistent with the applicable Consolidated Plan.
3. The PHA has established a Resident Advisory Board or Boards, the membership of which represents the residents assisted by the PHA, consulted with this Resident Advisory Board or Boards in developing the Plan, including any changes or revisions to the policies and programs identified in the Plan before they were implemented, and considered the recommendations of the RAB (24 CFR 903.13). The PHA has included in the Plan submission a copy of the recommendations made by the Resident Advisory Board or Boards and a description of the manner in which the Plan addresses these recommendations.
4. The PHA made the proposed Plan and all information relevant to the public hearing available for public inspection at least 45 days before the hearing, published a notice that a hearing would be held and conducted a hearing to discuss the Plan and invited public comment.
5. The PHA certifies that it will carry out the Plan in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
6. The PHA will affirmatively further fair housing by examining their programs or proposed programs, identifying any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs, addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available and work with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement and by maintaining records reflecting these analyses and actions.
7. For PHA Plans that includes a policy for site based waiting lists:
 - The PHA regularly submits required data to HUD's 50058 PIC/IMS Module in an accurate, complete and timely manner (as specified in PIH Notice 2010-25);
 - The system of site-based waiting lists provides for full disclosure to each applicant in the selection of the development in which to reside, including basic information about available sites; and an estimate of the period of time the applicant would likely have to wait to be admitted to units of different sizes and types at each site;
 - Adoption of a site-based waiting list would not violate any court order or settlement agreement or be inconsistent with a pending complaint brought by HUD;
 - The PHA shall take reasonable measures to assure that such a waiting list is consistent with affirmatively furthering fair housing;
 - The PHA provides for review of its site-based waiting list policy to determine if it is consistent with civil rights laws and certifications, as specified in 24 CFR part 903.7(c)(1).
8. The PHA will comply with the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age pursuant to the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.
9. The PHA will comply with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 and 24 CFR Part 41, Policies and Procedures for the Enforcement of Standards and Requirements for Accessibility by the Physically Handicapped.
10. The PHA will comply with the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Employment Opportunities for Low-or Very-Low Income Persons, and with its implementing regulation at 24 CFR Part 135.
11. The PHA will comply with acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24 as applicable.

12. The PHA will take appropriate affirmative action to award contracts to minority and women's business enterprises under 24 CFR 5.105(a).
13. The PHA will provide the responsible entity or HUD any documentation that the responsible entity or HUD needs to carry out its review under the National Environmental Policy Act and other related authorities in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58 or Part 50, respectively.
14. With respect to public housing the PHA will comply with Davis-Bacon or HUD determined wage rate requirements under Section 12 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.
15. The PHA will keep records in accordance with 24 CFR 85.20 and facilitate an effective audit to determine compliance with program requirements.
16. The PHA will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, and 24 CFR Part 35.
17. The PHA will comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of OMB Circular No. A-87 (Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments), 2 CFR Part 225, and 24 CFR Part 85 (Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State, Local and Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments).
18. The PHA will undertake only activities and programs covered by the Plan in a manner consistent with its Plan and will utilize covered grant funds only for activities that are approvable under the regulations and included in its Plan.
19. All attachments to the Plan have been and will continue to be available at all times and all locations that the PHA Plan is available for public inspection. All required supporting documents have been made available for public inspection along with the Plan and additional requirements at the primary business office of the PHA and at all other times and locations identified by the PHA in its PHA Plan and will continue to be made available at least at the primary business office of the PHA.
22. The PHA certifies that it is in compliance with applicable Federal statutory and regulatory requirements, including the Declaration of Trust(s).

Housing Authority of the City of Fort Smith

AR003

PHA Name

PHA Number/HA Code

Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Year 20__

5-Year PHA Plan for Fiscal Years 2020 - 2024

I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate. **Warning:** HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802).

Name of Authorized Official <p style="text-align: center;">Mitchell L. Minnick</p>	Title <p style="text-align: center;">Executive Director</p>
Signature	Date

Civil Rights Certification

Annual Certification and Board Resolution

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairman or other authorized PHA official, I approve the submission of the 5-Year PHA Plan for the PHA of which this document is a part, and make the following certification and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in connection with the submission of the public housing program of the agency and implementation thereof:

The PHA certifies that it will carry out the public housing program of the agency in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and will affirmatively further fair housing by examining their programs or proposed programs, identifying any impediments to fair housing choice within those program, addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available and working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement and by maintaining records reflecting these analyses and actions.

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Name of Authorized Official Mitchell L. Minnick	Title Executive Director
Signature	Date

**Certification by State or Local
Official of PHA Plans Consistency
with the Consolidated Plan or
State Consolidated Plan
(All PHAs)**

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**Certification by State or Local Official of PHA Plans
Consistency with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan**

I, Matt Jennings , the Director of Community Development
Official's Name *Official's Title*

certify that the 5-Year PHA Plan and/or Annual PHA Plan of the

 Housing Authority of the City of Fort Smith
PHA Name

is consistent with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan and the Analysis of
Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice of the

 City of Fort Smith
Local Jurisdiction Name

pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91.

Provide a description of how the PHA Plan is consistent with the Consolidated Plan or State
Consolidated Plan and the AI.

PHA offers assistance, through its Housing Choice Voucher program, to the elderly, disabled, low-income, homeless, and veterans. In addition to
operating the HCV program for the City of Fort Smith, the PHA also partners with Crawford-Sebastian Community Development Council both to
rehabilitate existing homes and to construct new homes using Community Development Block Grant and HOME funds.

The PHA has also partnered locally with Next Step Homeless Services to construct transitional housing for homeless families.

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Name of Authorized Official	Title
Matt Jennings	Director of Community Development
Signature	Date