Notice of Public Hearing

The Brimfield Housing Authority invites all tenants and the general public to a review of the Authority's Proposed Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2021

The Annual Plan is intended to provide insight into the Authority's operations and plans for the coming fiscal year as they affect the Authority's state-aided public housing. The Proposed Annual Plan is comprised of the following elements:

- 1. Proposed Capital Improvement Plan (5-year)
- 2. Proposed Maintenance and Repair Plan
- 3. Current Operating Budget
- 4. Responses to the Performance Management Review (PMR) findings
- 5. List of housing authority policies
- 6. List of waivers from governing regulations of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)
- 7. Other elements

Hearing time and date: 5:00 PM on 09/15/2020

Hearing location: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

Residents and the general public are invited to review the Annual Plan before the hearing and may submit public comments as noted below. The Authority shall consider the concerns of any Local Tenants' Organization (LTO) or Resident Advisory Board (RAB) regarding needs and priorities and incorporate some or all of such needs and priorities in the draft plan if deemed by the Authority to be consistent with sound management. Substantive comments will be summarized and included in the Annual Plan when it is submitted to the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

- o Copies of the Annual Plan are available at the Authority's office or may be reviewed online at https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan
- o Comments may be submitted orally at the hearing, by emailing the housing authority office, or by submitting written comments at the housing authority office. Comments must be received no later than the close of the public hearing.
- o For reasonable accommodation requests contact the housing authority office by 09/01/2020 at 12:00 PM.
- Contact information for Brimfield Housing Authority: Office: 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528
 Phone: (413) 245-7056
 Email: brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

Aviso de audiencia pública

El/La Brimfield Housing Authority invita a todos los arrendatarios y al público en general a una revisión del Plan Anual Propuesto por la autoridad para el año fiscal 2021

El Plan anual tiene como objetivo dar a conocer las operaciones de la autoridad y sus planes para el año fiscal entrante en lo que respecta a sus iniciativas de vivienda pública con financiamiento estatal. El Plan anual propuesto comprende los siguientes elementos:

- 1. Plan de mejoras de capital propuesto (5 años)
- 2. Plan de mantenimiento y reparaciones propuesto
- 3. Presupuesto operativo actual
- 4. Respuestas a los hallazgos en la Revisión de gestión del desempeño (PMR)
- 5. Listado de las políticas de la autoridad de vivienda
- 6. Listado de las exenciones a las normas vigentes del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario (DHCD)
- 7. Otros elementos

Fecha y hora de la audiencia: 5:00 PM del 09/15/2020

Lugar de la audiencia: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

Invitamos a los residentes y al público en general a leer el Plan anual antes de la audiencia y a hacer comentarios públicos por los medios que se indican más abajo. La autoridad tomará en consideración las inquietudes de cualquier organización de arrendatarios locales (LTO) o junta asesora de residentes (RAB) en relación con las necesidades y prioridades. Si las considera consistentes con los principios de buena gestión, la autoridad incorporará dichas necesidades y prioridades -en parte o en su totalidaden la versión preliminar del plan. Los comentarios sustantivos se resumirán e incluirán en el Plan anual cuando este se envíe al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario (DHCD).

- Puede obtener copias del Plan anual en la oficina de la autoridad o consultar el Plan por Internet en ">https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan>. El Plan está disponible únicamente en inglés.
- Si desea hacer comentarios, puede hacerlo oralmente en la audiencia o enviar los comentarios por correo electrónico o postal a la oficina de la autoridad de vivienda. Los comentarios se deben recibir antes del cierre de la audiencia pública.
- o Si tiene una solicitud razonable en relación con una discapacidad, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la autoridad de vivienda antes del 09/01/2020 a las 12:00 PM.
- o Información de contacto de Brimfield Housing Authority:

Oficina: 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528 Teléfono: (413) 245-7056 Correo electrónico: brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

សចេកមើងនងំណឹងអំពីសវនការសាធារណៈ

Brimfield Housing Authority អញជៈើញអុនកដួល និងសាធារណជនទូទៅទាំងអស់ឲ្**យទ**ៅពិនិត្**យម**ើលឡ**ើងវិញនូវជនៃការ** បុរចាំឆុនាំដលែបានដាក់សុន**ើរបស់អាជុញាធរសម្**រាប់ឆុនាំសារព**ើ**ពន្**ធ**

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ជនៃការបុរចាំឆុនាំមានគាោលបំណងផុតល់ការយល់ដីងអំពីបុរតិបតុតិការ និងជនៃការរបស់អាជុញាធ រសមុរាប់ឆុនាំសារព©ីពនុធខាងមុខនរេ ពុរោះវាប៉ះពាល់ដល់លំនាេដុឋានសាធារណ:ដលែដួយដោយ រដុឋរបស់អាជុញាធរ។ ជនៃការបុរចាំឆុនាំដលែបានដាក់សុនាី មានធាតុដូចខាងកុរោម៖

- 1. ជនៃការកលែមអរដុឋធានីដលែបានដាក់សុនរ៊ើ (5 ឆ្ននាំ)
- 2. ជនៃការដួសដុល និងថទោំដលែបានដាក់ស្នន
- 3. ថវិកាបរតិបតុតិការបច្ចុបុបនុន
- 4. ការឆុល់ើយតបនឹងលទ្ធជំផលនកោរពិនិត្**យម**ើលឡូើងវិញនូវការគុរប់គុរងការបំពញេការងារ (PMR)
- 5. បញ្ញដីគាោលនយាបាយអាជុញាធរលំនាដ្ឋឋាន
- 6. បញជីការលះបង់សិទ្ធជិពីបទបុបញ្ញញតុតិគុរប់គុរងរបស់កុរសួងអភិវឌ្**ជសហគមន៍ និងលំន**ៅឌុឋាន (DHCD)
- 7. ជាតុផ្ទសងេទៀត

កាលបរិចុឆទេ និងម៉**ោងសវនការ៖** 5:00 PM នៅ 09/15/2020

ទីកនុលដែសវនការ៖ 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

គេហជន

និងសាធារណជនទូទៅតរូវបានអញជ**័**ញឱ្**យពិនិត្**យម**ើលឡ**ើងវិញនូវជនៃការបុរចាំឆុនាំមុនពលេប**ើកសវនាការ** ហ**ើយអាចបញ្**ជូនមតិសាធារណ:ដូចបានកត់សមុគាល់ខាងកុរ**ោម**។

អាជុញាធរត្សវគិតគូរពីកងុវល់នានារបស់អង្**គការរបស់អុនកដួលកុនុងមូលដុឋាន (LTO) ឬកុរុមប**រីកុសាយ**ាបល់គហេ**ងន (RAB) អំពីតម្សវការ និងអាទិភាពនានា ហ**័យបញ្**ចូលតម្សវការ និងអាទិភាពទាំងន**ោះមួយចំនួន**

ឬទាំងអស់ទៅកុនុងសចេកកីពុរាងជនែការ ប**ើអាជុញាធរយល់ថាសមស្**របជាមួយការគុរប់គុរងដលែតរឹមតរូវ។ មគិសំខាន់ ៗនិ៍ងតរូវបានសងុខបេ និងបញ្ចចូលទ**ៅក្**នុងជនៃការបុរចាំឆុនាំ ន**ៅពលេវាតរូវបានដាក់ដូនកុរសួងអភិវឌ្**ឍសហគមន៍ និងលំន**ៅ**ដុឋាន (DHCD)។

- o សចេកុដីចមុលងនផៃនៃការបុរចាំឆុនាំ មាននៅការិយាល័យរបស់អាជុញាធរ ឬអាចពិនិតុយមាើលឡាើងវិញលាើបណុដាញតាមរយៈ <https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan>។ មានជាភាសាអង់គុលសេតប៉ែណុណាោះ។
- 0 មតិនានាអាចត្បូវបានផុងល់ដ ោយផុទាល់មាត់ន ៅកុនុងសវនាការ ដ ោយផុញ្ញីអឺមលែទៅការិយាល័យអាជុញ្ញាធរលំន ៅដុឋាន ឬដ ោយដាក់មតិជាលាយលកុខណ៍អកុសរន ៅការិយាល័យអាជុញ្ញាធរលំន ៅដុឋាន។ មតិនានាត្បូវតផ្ដែងល់ឱ្យយបានមុនពលេបិទសវនាការសាធារណៈ។
- ០ សមរាប់សំណ**ើសុំការសុនាក់ន**ៅសមរមួយ សូមទាក់ទងការិយាល័យអាជុញជេរលំន**ៅដុឋានកុរីមថ្**ងវៃ 09/01/2020 នៅម៉ោង 12:00 PM។
- o ព័ត៌មានទំនាក់ទំនងសម្**រាប់ Brimfield Housing Authority**៖
 - ការិយាល័យ៖ 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528
 - ទូរស័ពទ៖ (413) 245-7056
 - អ៊ីមែល៖ brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

Thông báo Điều trần Công khai

Brimfield Housing Authority xin mời tất cả những người thuê nhà và cộng đồng đến tham dự buổi

đánh giá Kế hoạch Hàng năm Đề xuất cho Năm Tài chính của Cơ quan Quản lý 2021

Kế hoạch Hàng năm này nhằm đem lại cái nhìn sâu sắc đối với các hoạt động của Cơ quan Quản lý và các kế hoạch cho năm tài chính sắp tới vì chúng ảnh hưởng đến vấn đề gia cư công cộng có sự trợ giúp của tiểu bang của Cơ quan Quản lý. Kế hoạch Hàng năm Đề xuất bao gồm các thành phần sau:

- 1. Kế hoạch Cải tạo Cơ bản Đề xuất (5 năm)
- 2. Kế hoạch Bảo trì và Sửa chữa Đề xuất
- 3. Ngân sách Vận hành Hiện tại
- 4. Trả lời đối với những phát hiện trong bản Đánh giá Quản lý Hoạt động (PMR)
- 5. Danh sách các chính sách của cơ quan quản lý gia cư
- 6. Danh sách các quyết định miễn tuân thủ các quy định chi phối của Sở Gia cư và Phát triển Cộng đồng (DHCD)
- 7. Các thành phần khác

Ngày và giờ điều trần: 5:00 PM và 09/15/2020

Địa điểm điều trần: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

Các cư dân và cộng đồng được mời tham gia xem xét Kế hoạch Hàng năm trước phiên điều trần và có thể gửi ý kiến đóng góp của công chúng như được mô tả dưới đây. Cơ quan Quản lý phải cân nhắc các quan ngại của bất kỳ Tổ chức của Người Thuê nhà Địa phương (LTO) hay Hội đồng Cố vấn Cư dân (RAB) nào về các nhu cầu và ưu tiên và kết hợp một số hoặc tất cả các nhu cầu và ưu tiên đó trong bản thảo kế hoạch nếu Cơ quan Quản lý coi là phù hợp với việc quản lý hợp lý. Các ý kiến đóng góp có cơ sở sẽ được tóm tắt và đưa vào nội dung Kế hoạch Hàng năm khi nộp cho Sở Gia cư và Phát triển Cộng đồng (DHCD).

- Các bản sao của Kế hoạch Hàng năm sẵn có tại văn phòng Cơ quan Quản lý hoặc quý vị có thể xem trực tuyến tại <<u>https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan></u>. Các bản này chỉ có bằng Tiếng Anh.
- O Các ý kiến đóng góp có thể được nộp bằng lời tại buổi điều trần, gửi email cho văn phòng cơ quan quản lý gia cư, hoặc nộp ý kiến bằng văn bản tại văn phòng cơ quan quản lý gia cư. Các ý kiến đóng góp phải được nhận không muộn hơn giờ kết thúc phiên điều trần.
- Để đưa ra các yêu cầu về biện pháp điều chỉnh đặc biệt hợp lý, hãy liên hệ với văn với văn phòng cơ quan quản lý gia cư trước 09/01/2020 lúc 12:00 PM.
- o Thông tin liên hệ cho Brimfield Housing Authority:
 - Văn phòng: 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528 Điện thoại: (413) 245-7056 Email: brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

开公众听证会的通知

Brimfield Housing Authority 邀请所有租户和公众 对本管理局的 2021 财政年度建议的《年度计划》进行审查

该《年度计划》旨在深入了解本管理局的运作和下一财政年度的计划,因为它们会影响到 理局的由马萨诸塞州资助和管理的公共住房。建议的年度计划包括以下内容:

- 1. 建议的资本改善计划(5年)
- 2. 建议的维修计划
- 3. 当前的运营预算
- 4. 对绩效管理审查(PMR)调查结果的回应
- 5. 住房管理局政策一览表
- 6. 从住房和社区发展部(DHCD)的法规可豁免的条例清单
- 7. 其他基本点

听证会时间和日期: 5:00 PM 在 09/15/2020

听证会地点: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

请租户和公众在听证会之前审阅《年度计划》,并可以按照以下说明提交公众意见。本管理局将考虑任何地方租户组织(LTO)或居民咨询委员会(RAB)对需求和 需优先考虑的事项的关注,并在管理局认为是与明智、稳妥的管理相一致的情况 下,将部分或全部此类需求和需优先考虑的事项纳入计划草案。公众的实质性意见 会被汇总并纳入《年度计划》,然后被提交给住房和社区发展部(DHCD)。

- 可以在管理局的办公室获得《年度计划》的副本,或者可以上网进入 <https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan> 在线查看。那些副本或网上内 容是用英语的。
- 各位要提出评论,可以在听证会上通过口头方式、或通过向住房管理局的办公 室发送电子邮件、或在住房管理局的办公室当面提交书面评论。所有评论必须 在公众听证会结束之前收到。
- 对于合理的需通融的要求,请在 09/01/2020 之前通过 12:00 PM 与住房管理 局的办公室联系。
- Brimfield Housing Authority 的联系方式:

办公室: 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528 电话: (413) 245-7056 电子邮件: brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

Aviso de Audiência Pública

O Brimfield Housing Authority convida todos os locatários e o público em geral para uma revisão do plano anual proposto pela Autoridade para o ano fiscal 2021

O Plano Anual é destinado a fornecer insights sobre as operações e planos da Autoridade para o próximo ano fiscal, uma vez que afetam as habitações públicas da Autoridade estadual. O plano anual proposto é composto pelos seguintes elementos:

- 1. Plano de melhoria de capital proposto (5 anos)
- 2. Plano de manutenção e reparação proposto
- 3. Orçamento operacional atual
- 4. Respostas aos achados da Revisão de Gerenciamento de Desempenho (PMR)
- 5. Lista de políticas da autoridade habitacional
- 6. Lista de isenções de regulamentos aplicáveis do Departamento de Habitação e Desenvolvimento Comunitário (DHCD)
- 7. Outros elementos

Data e hora da audiência: 5:00 PM em 09/15/2020

Local da audiência: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

Os residentes e o público em geral são convidados a revisar o Plano Anual antes da audiência e podem enviar comentários públicos, conforme indicado abaixo. A Autoridade deve considerar as preocupações de qualquer Organização de Locatários Locais (LTO) ou Conselho Consultivo de Residentes (RAB) em relação às necessidades e prioridades e incorporar algumas ou todas essas necessidades e prioridades ao projeto do plano se a Autoridade considerar que é consistente com a boa gestão. Os comentários substanciais serão resumidos e incluídos no Plano Anual quando este for submetido ao Departamento de Habitação e Desenvolvimento Comunitário (DHCD).

- Cópias do Plano Anual estão disponíveis no escritório da Autoridade ou podem ser analisadas on-line em <<u>https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan></u>. Estas estão apenas no idioma inglês.
- Os comentários podem ser apresentados oralmente na audiência, por e-mail para o escritório da autoridade habitacional ou por escrito para o escritório da autoridade habitacional. Os comentários devem ser recebidos, no máximo, até o encerramento da audiência pública.
- Para solicitações razoáveis de acomodação, entre em contato com o escritório da autoridade habitacional em 09/01/2020 às 12:00 PM.
- Informações de contato para Brimfield Housing Authority:
 - Escritório: 20 Colonial Park, Brimfield, MA 01010-9528 Telefone: (413) 245-7056 E-mail: brimfieldhousing@gmail.com

Уведомление о публичном слушании

Brimfield Housing Authority приглашает всех жильцов и представите, общественности принять участие в рассмотрении предлагаемого Жили управлением Годового плана на фискальный год 2021

Целью Годового плана является представление сведений о деятельности и планах Жилищного управления на предстоящий фискальный год в том, что касается предоставления социального жилья Жилищным управлением при поддержке штата Массачусетс. Предлагаемый Годовой план включает следующие разделы:

- 1. Предлагаемый план капитального ремонта (5-летний);
- 2. Предлагаемый план технического обслуживания и ремонта;
- 3. Текущий операционный бюдж;
- 4. Ответы по результатам оценки организации хозяйственной деятельности (PMR);
- 5. Список политик Жилищного управления;
- Список отказов от постановлений Департамента жилищного хозяйства и общественного развития (DHCD);
- 7. Другие разделы.

Время слушания: 5:00 PM Дата слушания 09/15/2020

Mесто проведения 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room. слушания:

Жильцы и представители общественности приглашаются принять участие в рассмотрении Годового плана перед началом слушания и могут делать открытые замечания, как указано ниже. Жилищное управление рассмотрит замечания Местной жилищной организации (LTO) или Жилищного консультационного совета (RAB), касающиеся потребностей и приоритетов жильцов, и включит все такие приоритеты и потребности или их часть в проект плана, если Жилищное управление посчитает, что они соответствуют принципам рационального управления. Содержательные замечания будут резюмированы и включены в Годовой план при его подаче в Департамент жилищного хозяйства и общественного развития (DHCD).

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Avi Odisyon Piblik

The Brimfield Housing Authority ap envite tout lokatè ak piblik la an jeneral nan yon revizyon Plan Anyèl pou Ane Fiskal la ke Administrasyon an Pwopoze 2021

Plan Anyèl la fèt nan entansyon pou bay apèsi sou operasyon Otorite a ak plan pou ane fiskal k ap vini a nan fason k ap afekte lojman piblik Administrasyon ke eta a finanse. Plan Anyèl yo pwopoze a te gen eleman sa yo ladann:

- 1. Plan Amelyorasyon Kapital yo Pwopoze (5-an)
- 2. Plan Antretyen ak Reparasyon yo Pwopoze
- 3. Bidjè Operasyon Aktyèl
- 4. Rezilta Revizyon Repons Jesyon Pèfòmans lan (Performance Management Review, PMR)
- 5. Lis règleman administrasyon lojman yo
- 6. Lis egzonerasyon règlemantasyon k ap fè otorite nan Depatman Lojman ak Devlopman Kominotè a (Department of Housing and Community Development, DHCD)
- 7. Lòt eleman yo

Dat ak lè odisyon: 5:00 PM nan dat 09/15/2020

Adrès odisyon an: 20 Colonial Park Brimfield, MA 01010. In the community room.

N ap envite rezidan yo ak piblik la an jeneral pou vin fè revizyon Plan Anyèl la avan odisyon an epi yo gendwa soumèt kòmantè piblik jan sa note annapre a. Administrasyon an pral konsidere enkyetid nenpòt Òganizasyon Lokatè Lokal (LTO) oswa Komite Konsiltatif Rezidan (Resident Advisory Board, RAB) anrapò ak bezwen preyorite epi enkòpore kèlke nan yo oswa tout nan bezwen sa yo ak priyorite yo nan dokiman plan an si Administrasyon an jije ke sa nesesè pou on bon jesyon. Y ap fè rezime kòmantè enpòtan yo epi mete yo nan Plan Anyèl la lè yo te soumèt li bay Depatman Lojman ak Devlopman Kominotè (Department of Housing and Community Development, DHCD).

- Kopi Plan Anyèl yo disponib nan biwo Administrasyon an oswa w ka revize anliy nan <<u>https://tinyurl.com/LHA-MA-AnnualPlan></u>. Sa yo se nan lang Anglè sèlman.
- Yo gendwa soumèt kòmantè yo vèbalman nan odisyon an, pa imèl bay biwo administrasyon lojman an, oswa nan soumisyon kòmantè ekri w yo nan biwo administrasyon lojman an. Yo ta dwe voye kòmantè yo nan yon moman ki pa pi ta pase odisyon piblik la.
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Annual Plan 2021 Overview and Certification

Brimfield Housing Authority Proposed Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 For State-Aided Public Housing

The Annual Plan is a document compiled by housing authority staff in advance of each new fiscal year. The plan serves as both a tool for the Local Housing Authority (LHA) to reflect upon the prior fiscal year, and as an opportunity to develop a clear and transparent plan that builds on successes, identifies needs, and corrects any issues that have arisen in prior years. Additionally, the Annual Plan is an important tool for tenants, who may use the document to better understand the operations and needs of their housing authority, advocate for changes to policies and procedures, access data about the housing authority, and participate in their housing authority's governance.

In addition to the physical document, the Annual Plan is also a process of public engagement. Throughout the Annual Plan process, the LHA executive director or their designee will be expected to review the Plan with any Local Tenant Organizations (LTO's) and Resident Advisory Board (RAB) before the LHA presents the plan to the Board; make a draft available for review to all residents and the general public; post on the website and make a copy available to each LTO at least 30 business days before the public hearing; hold a hearing on the document; and collect, integrate, and report back on substantive comments. Additionally, the Local Housing Authority Board of Commissioners will read, offer recommendations, and approve the Annual Plan in advance of its submission to DHCD.

The law that mandates the Annual Plan is An Act Relative to Local Housing Authorities, Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 121B Section 28A. The regulation that expands upon Section 28A is 760 CMR 4.16. The regulations that address Local Tenant Organization (LTO) and resident participation in the Annual Plan are 760 CMR 6.09 (3)(h) and 760 CMR 6.09(4)(a)(4).

The Brimfield Housing Authority's Annual Plan for their 2021 fiscal year includes the following components:

- 1. Overview and Certification
- 2. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- 3. Maintenance and Repair Plan
- 4. Operating Budget
- 5. Narrative responses to Performance Management Review (PMR) findings
- 6. Policies
- 7. Waivers
- 8. Glossary
- 9. Other Elements
 - a. Cover sheet for tenant satisfaction surveys
 - b. Tenant Satisfaction Survey 667only
 - c. Performance Management Review.

Overview and Certificatio

State-Aided Public Housing Developments

The following table identifies the state-aided public housing units with developments of more than 8 units listed separately. Units in developments of 8 or fewer units are aggregated as noted. Units that the LHA provides to assist clients of the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), or other agencies are also aggregated separately.

Dev No	Туре	Development Name	Num Bldgs	Year Built	Dwelling Units
667-01	Elderly	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	4	1976	56
Total			4		56

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LHA Board of Commissioners

<u>Role</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Member		06/01/2015	06/01/2020
	State Appointee	06/06/2019	06/06/2024
Chair		06/01/2015	06/10/2020
Member		04/26/2019	06/06/2021
Member		06/06/2019	06/06/2024
	Member Chair Member	Member State Appointee Chair Member	Member 06/01/2015 State Appointee 06/06/2019 Chair 06/01/2015 Member 04/26/2019

Brimfield Housing Authority (LHA)

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Plan History

The following required actions have taken place on the dates indicated.

REQ	UIREMENT	DATE
		COMPLETED
Α.	Advertise the public hearing on the LHA website.	07/30/2020
В.	Advertise the public hearing in public postings.	07/30/2020
C.	Notify all LTO's of the hearing and provide access to the	NI (A
	Proposed Annual Plan. N/A	
D.	Post draft AP for tenant and public viewing.	07/30/2020
E.	Hold quarterly meeting with LTO to review the draft AP. (Must	NI/A
	occur before the LHA Board reviews the Annual Plan.)	N/A
F.	Annual Plan Hearing. Hosted by the LHA Board, with a quorum	
	of members present.	
G.	Executive Director presents the Annual Plan to the Board.	
Н.	Board votes to approve the AP.	

This Annual Plan (AP) will be reviewed by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) following the public comment period, the public hearing, and LHA Board approval.

Annual Plan Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Capital Improvement Plan

DHCD Description of CIPs:

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a five year plan which identifies capital projects, provides a planning scope, schedule and budget for each capital project and identifies options for financing and implementing the plan. The CIP identifies anticipated spending for each Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) based on the project schedules.

Local Housing Authorities (LHAs) receive yearly awards from DHCD (Formula Funding Awards) which they target to their most urgent capital needs in their CIP. They may also receive special awards from DHCD for specific projects which meet specific criteria. Special awards may be given for certain emergency, regulation compliance, energy and water conservation, and other projects. The first three years of the CIP are based on actual awards made to the LHA, while years four and five are based on estimated planning amounts, not actual awards.

LHAs may sometimes secure other sources of funding and assistance that you will note in their CIP, such as: Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding, Local Affordable Housing Trust Funds (AHTF), HOME grants, income from leasing a cell tower on their property, savings from net meter credit contracts with solar developers, utility rebates and contracted work from utility providers, and Sheriff's Department work crews. However, not all of these funding sources are available every year, or in all communities.

The CIP includes the following parts:

- A table of available funding sources and amounts
- A list of planned capital projects showing spending per fiscal year
- A table showing special awards and other funding for targeted projects, if any, which supplements Formula Funding awarded to the LHA
- A 'narrative' with a variety of additional information.

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Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Aggregate Funding Available for Projects in the First Three Years of the CIP:

Category of Funds	Allocation	Planned Spending	Description
Balance of Formula Funding (FF)	\$210,340.24		Total of all FF awards minus prior FF spending
LHA Emergency Reserve	\$21,034.02		Amount to reserve for emergencies
Net FF Funds (First 3 Years of the CIP)	\$189,306.22		Funds to plan & amount actually planned in the first 3 years of the CIP
ADA Set-aside	\$3,051.44	\$3,000.82	Accessibility projects
DMH Set-aside	\$0.00	\$0.00	Dept. of Mental Health facility
DDS Set-aside	\$0.00	\$0.00	Dept. of Developmental Services facility
Unrestricted Formula Funding (FF)	\$186,254.78	\$190,186.07	Funds awarded by DHCD to be used on projects selected by the LHA and approved by DHCD.
Special DHCD Funding	\$16,305.57	\$16,305.57	Targeted awards from DHCD
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	Federal funds awarded by a city or town for specific projects.
Community Preservation Act (CPA) Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	Community Preservation Act funds awarded by a city of town for specific projects.
Operating Reserve(OR) Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	Funds from the LHA's operating budget.
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	Funds other than those in the above categories. See explanation below.
Total funds and planned spending	\$205,611.79	\$209,492.47	Total of all anticipated funding available for planned projects and the total of planned spending.

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Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

CIP Definitions:

ADA Set-aside is funding allocated within the Formula Funding (FF) for use on projects that improve accessibility for people with disabilities. 10% of FF awards are designated for this purpose.

Available State Bond Funding is the amount of State Bond Funding available to the LHA for the first three years of the CIP. It is calculated by totaling all of FF and Special Awards granted to the LHA through the end of the third year of the plan and subtracting the amount of these funds spent prior to July 1 of the first year of the plan.

Amount spent prior to the plan is the total amount of Formula Funding (FF) and Special Awards spent prior to July 1 of the first year of the plan.

Capital project is a project that adds significant value to an asset or replaces building systems or components. Project cost must be greater than \$1000.

CDBG stands for Community Development Block Grant, a potential source of project funds.

CPA stands for Community Preservation Act, a potential source of project funds.

CapHub Project Number is the number given to projects entered into DHCD's project management system known as CapHub.

DMH Set-aside is funding allocated within the Formula Funding (FF) for use on facilities leased to the Department of Mental Health (DMH) program vendors, if any exist at this LHA.

DDS Set-aside is funding allocated within the Formula Funding (FF) for use on facilities leased to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) program vendors, if any exist at this LHA.

Formula Funding (FF) is an allocation of state bond funds to each LHA according to the condition (needs) of its portfolio in comparison to the entire state-aided public housing portfolio.

Operating Reserve is an account, funded from the LHA operating budget, primarily used for unexpected operating costs, including certain extraordinary maintenance or capital projects.

Other Funds could include other funding by the city or town or from other sources.

Special Awards are DHCD awards targeted to specific projects. Award programs include funds for emergencies beyond what an LHA can fund, for complying with regulatory requirements, for projects that will save water or energy use, and various other programs the department may run from time to time.

Total Cost is the sum of investigation, design, administration, permitting, and construction costs for a project

Unrestricted Formula Funding (FF) is money awarded to the LHA by DHCD under the Formula Funding program other than amounts set aside (restricted) for accessibility improvements or for facilities operated by DMH or DDS.

07/30/2020

Brimfield Housing Authority (LHA)

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Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Regional Capital Assistance Team

Brimfield Housing Authority participates in the Regional Capital Assistance Team (RCAT) program and project implementation responsibilities are as follows:

o For projects with construction cost under \$10,000, the LHA has the sole responsibility to initiate, implement and manage the project. RCAT offers technical assistance upon request.

o For projects with construction cost between \$10,000 and \$100,000 the RCAT will have lead responsibility to initiate, implement and manage the project with both DHCD and LHA involvement and oversight throughout the process. For projects in this range, the LHA will work with the RCAT Project Manager who will contact the LHA to initiate projects.

o For projects with construction cost over \$100,000, or projects below that threshold that are complex or have a subsequent phase that exceeds \$100,000 construction cost, DHCD will take the lead and draft a WO or RFS to hire a designer to prepare plans and specs. RCAT will not be involved in the implementation of projects in this range and the LHA will continue to work directly with the DHCD Project Manager and DHCD design staff.

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Formula Funding and Special DHCD Award Planned Spending - Other funding not included

Cap Hub Project Number	Project Name	Development(s)	Total Cost	Amount Spent Prior to Plan	fy2021 Spent	fy2021 Planned	fy2022	fy2023	fy2024	fy2025
043011	2008 FF Master CFA	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$3,000	\$250	\$0	\$2,029	\$350	\$350	\$23	\$0
	FF: Roadway, parking and walkway resurfacing	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$85,493	\$9,593	\$0	\$591	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	FF: Selective Gutter Replacement	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$2,241	\$0	\$0	\$2,241	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043022	FF: Replace Exterior doors - Colonial Park 2018 - 2019	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$36,626	\$36,625	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	FF: Countertop Replacement Phase 1	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$9,000	\$1,708	\$0	\$7,293	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	FF: ADA - Replace doors at Community Bld - ADA	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$34,746	\$29,557	\$0	\$5,190	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	FF: Roof Replacement Phase 1	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$79,227	\$74,479	\$0	\$4,748	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	FF: Door Closures - Hardware Replace	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$8,800	\$0	\$0	\$5,835	\$2,966	\$0	\$0	\$0
	New Roof bld.2,3,communit Y	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$116,923	\$0	\$0	\$65,107	\$51,817	\$0	\$0	\$0

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Formula Funding and Special DHCD Award Planned Spending - Other funding not included

Cap Hub Project Number	Project Name	Development(s)	Total Cost	Amount Spent Prior to Plan	fy2021 Spent	fy2021 Planned	fy2022	fy2023	fy2024	fy2025
043033	Water heaters/Circulato rs Replace	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$8,123	\$0	\$0	\$8,123	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043034	Vacant Unit Turnover	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$9,900	\$9,729	\$0	\$171	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043035	H&S FY20: Auto door opener to tenant bldg, handicap unit		\$8,039	\$0	\$0	\$8,039	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043037	Rehab at Turnover	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$8,706	\$8,706	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043038	Electrical Upgrade for Well Pump	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$9,847	\$0	\$0	\$9,847	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
•	Replace Shower Valves - Dev Wide	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000
•	HW Heater Replacement	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$6,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,600
•	Tub Surround Installation	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$13,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,200	\$0
•	Roadway, parking and walkway resurfacing - Phase 2	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
•	Roadway, parking and walkway resurfacing - Phase 3	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,364	\$13,637

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Formula Funding and Special DHCD Award Planned Spending - Other funding not included

Cap Hub Project Number	Project Name	Development(s)	Total Cost	Amount Spent Prior to Plan	fy2021 Spent	fy2021 Planned	fy2022	fy2023	fy2024	fy2025
•	Water Well Tank	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$34,800	\$0	\$0	\$34,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e	COLONIAL PARK 667-01	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,000	\$0
TOTALS			\$540,270	\$170,646	\$0	\$154,011	\$55,133	\$350	\$58,586	\$26,237

FUNDS IN ADDITION TO ANNUAL FORMULA FUNDING AWARD

Cap Hub	Project Name	DHCD Special Award	Special DHCD Awards Other			Other	Funding			
Project Number		Comment	Emergency Reserve	Compliance Reserve	Sustain- ability	Special Awards	CDBG	CPA	Operating Reserve	Other Funds
043015	FF: Roadway, parking and walkway		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$62,500	\$12,810
043033	resurfacing Water heaters/Circulator s Replace	water heater circulator replacement	\$8,123	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043034	Vacant Unit Turnover		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,312	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
043035	H&S FY20: Auto door opener to tenant bldg, handicap unit	H&S FY20: Auto door opener to tenant bldg, handicap unit	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,039	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTALS			\$8,123	\$0	\$0	\$16,351	\$0	\$0	\$62,500	\$12,810

Annual Plan **Capital Improvement Plan**

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Narrative

Including Requests to DHCD & Supporting Statements

1. Request for increased spending flexibility.

DHCD designates a spending target (cap share) and an allowable spending range for each year of the CIP. A Housing Authority may request to shift the cap shares of the first three years in order to increase scheduling flexibility. A CIP utilizing this flexibility is called an Alternate CIP. The total spending over three years and over five years must continue to meet the limits set by DHCD. DHCD will approve an Alternate CIP only with acceptable justification and only if funding is available.

Brimfield Housing Authority has submitted an Alternate CIP with the following justification:

We have urgent projects that require excess spending in year 1 or 2.

The build up in our well water tank is causing water heaters to fail prematurely. We need to repair and clean the tank or after some testing replace the tank. This project is urgent and in yea one.

2. Request for additional funding.

A Housing Authority may request additional funding from DHCD for projects that qualify as emergencies, required legal compliance upgrades, or sustainability improvements.

Brimfield Housing Authority has not requested additional funding.

3. Overall goals of the Housing Authority's CIP

Our goals for our formula funding have been primarily building envelope including roofing and door projects. This year we have an urgent project to repair the well water tank that will use future money to repair.

4. Changes from the Housing Authority's previous CIP

Every new CIP differs from the previous CIP because projects have been completed and a new year has been added with new projects. These changes and other significant changes to the content of the CIP are highlighted below:

Only the addition of our urgent well tank repair.

5. Requirements of previous CIP approval

There were no special conditions attached to the approval of our previous CIP.

6. Quarterly capital reports

Our most recent quarterly capital report (form 80 and 90) was submitted on 07/22/2020.

7. Capital Planning System (CPS) updates

Our CPS facility data has been updated with current condition information, including changes resulting from projects completed in the past year, as of 07/22/2020.

8. Project priorities

All the projects in our CIP are high priority (Priority 1 and 2 projects).

9. High priority deficiencies

We have not been able to include all of our high priority (CPS priority 1 and 2) projects in our CIP:

See the attached list of unselected projects that could not be included in the 5 year plan.

10. Accessibility

We are not aware of any accessibility deficiencies in our portfolio.

11. Special needs development

Brimfield Housing Authority does not have a special needs (167 or 689 programs) development.

12. Energy and water consumption

Our 12 most recent monthly energy reports are for months 8/2018 to 2/2020.

The following table lists the DHCD thresholds for Per Unit Monthly (PUM) expense for electricity, natural gas, oil, and water use and the developments at the Housing Authority that have expenses in excess of the thresholds, if any.

	Electric	Gas	Oil	Water
	PUM > Threshold	PUM > Threshold	PUM > Threshold	PUM > Threshold
Threshold PUM:	\$100	\$80	\$50	\$60

No developments exceed threshold values.

13. Energy or water saving initiatives

Brimfield Housing Authority is not currently pursuing any energy or water-saving audits or grants that could affect CIP project scope, costs or timing of projects.

14. Vacancy rate

Our unadjusted vacancy rate reported to DHCD is as follows. (The unadjusted vacancy rate captured in these figures is the percentage of ALL housing units that are vacant, including both offline units being used for other purposes and units with DHCD vacancy waivers.) 9% c. 667 (DHCD Goal 2%) 0% c. 200 (DHCD Goal 2%)

0% c. 705 (DHCD Goal 2%)

Brimfield Housing Authority will address the excess vacancies in the following manner: 043034-vacant unit turnover and 043037 Rehab at turnover were both used to help the authority to renovate and rent several units.

15. Vacancies

Brimfield Housing Authority has no units listed as vacant, proposed to be vacant, or at risk of becoming vacant.

Maintenance and Repair Plan

Maintenance Objective

The goal of good property maintenance at a public housing authority is to serve the residents by assuring that the homes in which they live are decent, safe, and sanitary.

About This Maintenance and Repair Plan

This Maintenance & Repair Plan consists of several subsections describing maintenance systems followed by charts showing typical preventive maintenance, routine maintenance, and unit inspection tasks and schedules. These subsections are:

- a. **Classification and Prioritization of Maintenance Tasks** Defines and prioritizes types of work to be accomplished by maintenance staff and vendors. Explains how the housing authority is expected to respond to work orders (tasks or requests) based on the work order classification.
- b. **Emergency Response System** Defines what constitutes an emergency and how to notify staff of an emergency.
- c. **Normal Maintenance Response System** How to contact the maintenance staff for a non-emergency request.
- d. **Work Order Management** Description of the housing authority's system for managing work orders (tasks and requests).
- e. **Maintenance Plan Narrative & Policy Statement** Self-assessment, basic information, and goals for the coming year, along with a description of the housing authority's maintenance program.
- f. **Preventive Maintenance Schedule** A listing and schedule of tasks designed to keep systems and equipment operating properly, to extend the life these systems and equipment, and to avoid unexpected breakdowns.
- g. **Routine Maintenance Schedule** A listing and schedule of ordinary maintenance tasks such as mopping, mowing, raking, and trash collection required to keep the facilities in good condition.
- h. **Unit Inspections** Scheduling of annual unit inspections.

Classification and Prioritization of Maintenance Tasks

Maintenance items are tracked as "work orders" and are classified in the following categories. They are prioritized in the order listed. The following classifications and prioritization are required by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

- I. **Emergencies** Emergencies are only those conditions which are **immediately threatening** to the life or safety of our residents, staff, or structures.
 - Goal: initiated with 24 to 48 hours.
- II. Vacancy Refurbishment Work necessary to make empty units ready for new tenants.
 - After emergencies, the refurbishment of vacancies for immediate re-occupancy has the highest priority for staff assignments. Everyday a unit is vacant is a day of lost rent.
 - Goal: vacancy work orders are completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within that timeframe, LHA has a waiver.
- III. **Preventive Maintenance** Work which must be done to **preserve and extend the useful life** of various elements of your physical property and avoid emergency situations.
 - A thorough Preventive Maintenance Program and Schedule that deals with all elements of the physical property is provided later in the document.
 - The Preventive Maintenance Program is reviewed and updated annually and as new systems and facilities are installed.
- IV. Programmed Maintenance Work which is important and is completed to the greatest extent possible within time and budget constraints. Programmed maintenance is grouped and scheduled to make its completion as efficient as possible. Sources of programmed maintenance include:
 - Routine Work includes those tasks that need to be done on a regular basis to keep our physical property in good shape. (Mopping, Mowing, Raking, Trash, etc.)
 - Inspections are the other source of programmed maintenance.
 - o Inspections are visual and operational examinations of parts of our property to determine their condition.
 - o All dwelling units, buildings and sites must be inspected at least annually.
 - Goal: Inspection-generated work orders are completed within 30 calendar days from the date of inspection, OR if cannot be completed within 30 calendar days, are added to the Deferred Maintenance Plan or the Capital Improvement Plan in the case of qualifying capital repairs (unless health/safety issue).
- V. **Requested Maintenance** Work which is requested by residents or others, does not fall into any category above, and should be accomplished as time and funds are available.
 - Requests from residents or others for maintenance work which does not fall into one of the other categories has the lowest priority for staff assignment.
 - Goal: Requested work orders are completed in 14 calendar days from the date of tenant request or if not completed within that timeframe (and not a health or safety issue), the task is added and completed in a timely manner as a part of the Deferred Maintenance Plan and/or CIP.

Emergency Request System

For emergency requests call the numbers listed here. Qualifying emergency work requests are listed below.

METHOD	CONTACT INFO.	TIMES
Call Answering Service	Northeast Communications	Automatically when office is closed
Call LHA at Phone Number	(413) 245-7056	Tue, Fri 9:00-4:00 , Wed 1:00-4:00

List of Emergencies - Emergencies are those conditions which are immediately threatening to the life or safety of our residents, staff, or structures. The following is a list of typical conditions that warrant an emergency response. If there is an emergency condition whether or not enumerated on this list please notify the office or answering service at the numbers listed above. If you have any questions regarding this list or other matters that may constitute an emergency, please contact the Brimfield Housing Authority main office.

QUALIFYING EMERGENCY WORK REQUESTS
Fires of any kind (Call 911)
No electric power in unit
Electrical hazards, sparking outlets
Broken water pipes, flood
No water/ unsafe water
Sewer or toilet blockage
Roof leak
Lock outs
Door or window lock failure
No heat
No hot water
Snow or ice hazard condition
Dangerous structural defects
Inoperable smoke/CO detectors, beeping or chirping

Normal Maintenance Request Process

Make normal (non-emergency) maintenance requests using the following methods:

METHOD	CONTACT INFO.	TIMES
Text Phone Number		
Call Answering Service		
Call Housing Authority Office	(413) 245-7056	Tue, Fri 9:00-4:00 , Wed 1:00-4:00
Submit Online at Website		
Email to Following Email		
Other		

Work Order Management

A. DHCD review of this housing authority's operations shows that the authority uses the following system for tracking work orders:

Type of work order system:

Work order classification used:

Emergency	
Vacancy	
Preventative	
Maintenance	
Routine	
Inspections	
Tenant Requests	

B. We also track deferred maintenance tasks in our work order system.

C. Our work order process includes the following steps:

Step	Description	Checked steps are used by LHA
1	Maintenance Request taken/submitted per the standard procedures listed above for the Emergency Request System and the Normal Maintenance Request Process.	V
2	Maintenance Requests logged into the work system	\checkmark
3	Work Orders generated	\checkmark
4	Work Orders assigned	\checkmark
5	Work Orders tracked	\checkmark
6	Work Orders completed/closed out	\checkmark
7	Maintenance Reports or Lists generated	\checkmark

Maintenance Plan Narrative

Following are Brimfield Housing Authority's answers to questions posed by DHCD.

A. Narrative Question #1: How would you assess your Maintenance Operations based on feedback you've received from staff, tenants, DHCD's Performance Management Review (PMR) & Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP), and any other sources?

We receive positive feedback from tenants on how hard our maintenance staff works with the limited available time.

B. Narrative Question #2: What changes have you made to maintenance operations in the past year?

We have incorporated PHA network and have made staff from Monson Housing available.

C. Narrative Question #3: What are your maintenance goals for this coming year?

A heavy amount of turnovers have let the landscaping lapse. Tree and bush trimming along with weeding is a goal for the upcoming year. As always we strive to turnover apartments in a timely manor and will continue to decrease the time apartments are vacant.

D. Maintenance Budget Summary

The budget numbers shown below are for the consolidated budget only. They do not include values from supplemental budgets, if any.

	Total Regular Maintenance Budget	Extraordinary Maintenance Budget
Last Fiscal Year Budget	\$135,806.00	\$0.00
Last Fiscal Year Actual Spending	\$129,292.00	\$0.00
Current Fiscal Year Budget	\$106,600.00	\$11,200.00

E. Unit Turnover Summary

# Turnovers Last Fiscal Year	7
Average time from date vacated to	
make Unit "Maintenance Ready"	167 days
Average time from date vacated to	
lease up of unit	170 days

Attachments

These items have been prepared by the Brimfield Housing Authority and appear on the following pages:

Preventive Maintenance Schedule - a table of preventive maintenance items showing specific tasks, who is responsible (staff or vendor), and the month(s) they are scheduled

Deferred Maintenance Schedule - a table of maintenance items which have been deferred due to lack of resources.

BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY Preventive Maintenance Schedule and Checklist														
TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb			May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Inspections														
Building interior common areas-check for damage, make repairs	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Building exterior-check for damage, make repairs	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Units - check for damage, cleanliness, make repairs	1 Bldg/Mo	Staff	х	х		х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Building Exterior														
Siding - wash if needed, monitor condition of paint, spot re-paint as needed	Annual	Staff				x								
Windows-wash, re-caulk if needed	Annual	Staff Vendor				х								
Doors-wash, check weather stripping, re-paint as needed	Annual	Staff				х								
Signage-inspect, clean, repair as needed	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Lighting-clean fixtures, change lamps as needed	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Roof-clear debris from drains, monitor condition for cracking, water pooling, leaks, loose flashing	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Roof-remove moss off sloped areas, clear debris from gutters/downspouts	Annual	Staff Vendor							Х					
Decks and stairs-wash	Annual	Staff				х								
Foundation-monitor for cracking, check vent covers, confirm no pests	Annual	Staff				х								

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Building Interior														
Hallways & stairs-vacuum, mop linoleum	Weekly	Staff	Х	Х	х	Х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х	х	Х
Walls-wash off hand prints and dirt in high traffic areas	Weekly	Staff	Х	х	х	Х	х	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	х	х
Laundry-wipe down all surfaces, empty trash, mop floor, clean behind machines, check lint traps and clean as needed	Weekly	Staff	Х	Х	х	Х	х	х	Х	x	х	х	х	х
Lighting-clean fixtures, replace lamps as needed	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х	x	х	х	х	х
Unit Appliances-clean interior and exterior, vacuum under and behind	Annually	Resident Staff						х						
Fire Alarms / Fire Sprinklers														
Smoke detectors-test all units and common areas, replace batteries on inspections or as needed	Annually	Staff	Х	Х	x	Х	х	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	х	Х
Test Alarms, Fire Extinquishers	Annually	Vendor							Х					
HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning)														

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Heating System - Electric heat checked on inspection	Annually	Staff / Vendor	Х	Х	х	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
Unit bathroom fans-inspect, vacuum, clean covers	Annually	Staff						х						
Plumbing														
Toilets-check for leaks, running water	Annually	Staff						х						
Faucets and shut-offs-check for leaks, drips	Annually	Staff						Х						
Boilers/hot water tanks-see separate binder for maintenance and care	Annually	Staff / Vendor			х			х			х			х
Pumps-sump pump in basement, confirm operational	Monthly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Water system														

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Test / Check Water Temperatures	Bi-Annually / Annually	Staff	Juii	100			X	oun	Jui	Thug	Joep	X	1101	Dec
Lubricate valves and pumps	Bi-Annually	Vendor					х					х		
Clean, Test integrity, Change Washers	Annually	Staff / Vendor									Х			
Test pressure	Weekly	Staff	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Septic System														
Pump tanks	Annually	Vendor						х						
Landscaping and Grounds														
Walk property-pick up trash	Daily	Staff	Daily											
Mow lawn-mow lawn with mulching lawnmower; edge lawn if needed	Weekly / Seasonal	Staff Vendor	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Aerate lawn/overseed	Annual	Staff Vendor				х								
Mulch all landscape beds	Annual	Staff Vendor				Х								
Shrubs and Trees-remove broken, dead, deformed, deranged branches	Weekly / Seasonal	Staff	х	х	х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	х	Х	Х
Weed-remove weeds as you see them, never let weeds go to seed	Daily	Staff	Daily											
Pest and disease control-monitor	Monthly	Staff	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Watering/Irrigation-soak deeply, let dry out before watering again	Seasonal	Staff	х	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	Х	Х
Walks, Paving, Curbs-monitor condition, clean and repair as needed	Monthly	Staff	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Parking Lot-monitor condition, clean and reseal as needed	Annual	Vendor					Х							

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Fence-monitor condition, clean and repaint as needed	Annual	Staff					Х							

Deferred Maintenance Plan Brimfield Housing Authority

ltem	Date added to Deferred Maintenance Plan	Item Description	Location or Unit Number	Reason Deferred	Estimated Cost	Material Needed	Original Work Order Number	Target Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	Other Comments
Paint fence		Fence is peeling and needs to be scraped and painted	Behind Community Bldg.	Weather	?	Paint	11231	9/1/2020		
Trim Bushes		bushes are overgrown and need trimming		Cost to hire landscaper	?	none	11232	12/15/2020		will do with staff

Operating Budget

The tables on the following pages show the approved budget and actual income and spending per budget account (row) for the fiscal year ending 12/31/2019. It also shows the approved budget for the current year (2020) if there is one, and the percent change from last year's spending to this year's approved budget. The final column shows the current approved amount for each account divided by the number of housing units and by 12 months to show the amount per unit per month (PUM). The chart does not show a draft budget for the coming fiscal year as that will typically be developed in the final month of the fiscal year.

The budget format and accounts are mandated by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). For a better understanding of the accounts and discussion of special situations see the notes following the budget tables and the "Definitions of Accounts" at the end of this section.

The LHA maintains a consolidated budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by the LHA. It does not maintain separate budgets for each development.

Operating Reserve

The LHA's operating reserve is the amount of funds that an LHA sets aside to sustain itself during lean years, or to remedy urgent health and safety concern or address deferred maintenance items. In addition, while DHCD approves a fixed non-utility operating budget level for every LHA (called the Allowable Non-Utility Expense Level, or ANUEL), LHAs can propose a budget that exceeds that level, with the additional cost to be funded from the Operating Reserve, as long as the reserve will still remain above the minimum threshold set by DHCD.

DHCD defines a full (100%) Operating Reserve (OR) amount to be equal to one-half of the previous year's operating expenses and requires LHAs to maintain a minimum OR of 35% of this amount to cover any unplanned but urgent needs that may arise during the year and that can't be funded by the operating budget. If the reserve is between 20% and 35% of the full level, the LHA must obtain prior written approval from DHCD to spend reserve funds, unless the expense is to resolve a health and safety issue. If the reserve is below the 20% level, the LHA can only spend OR funds on health and safety issues. In both cases, the LHA should address the health and safety issue immediately but must retroactively inform DHCD and obtain its approval.

The Brimfield Housing Authority operating reserve at the end of fiscal year 2019 was \$66,714.00, which is 36.6% of the full reserve amount defined above.

Annual Plan 2021 Annual Operating Budget

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Brimfield Housing Authority.						
REVENUE		owned by br		athonty.		
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		2019	2019 Actual	2020	% Change	Dollars
		Approved	Amounts	Approved	from 2019	Budgeted
Account		Revenue	Received	Revenue	Actual to	per Unit per
Number	Account Class	Budget		Budget	2020 Budget	Month
3110	Shelter Rent - Tenants	\$232,000.00	\$231,908.00	\$242,000.00	4.4%	\$360.12
3111	Shelter Rent - Tenants -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
	Fraud/Retroactive					
3115	Shelter Rent - Federal Section 8	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3190	Nondwelling Rentals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3400	Administrative Fee - MRVP	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3610	Interest on Investments - Unrestricted	\$500.00	\$1,062.00	\$500.00	-52.9%	\$0.74
3611	Interest on Investments - Restricted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3690	Other Revenue	\$14,500.00	\$12,640.00	\$14,500.00	14.7%	\$21.58
3691	Other Revenue - Retained	\$27,900.00	\$22,744.00	\$27,900.00	22.7%	\$41.52
3692	Other Revenue - Operating Reserves	\$30,611.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3693	Other Revenue - Energy Net Meter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3801	Operating Subsidy - DHCD (4001)	\$47,566.00	\$59,588.00	\$71,443.00	19.9%	\$106.31
3802	Operating Subsidy - MRVP Landlords	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3803	Restricted Grants Received	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3920	Gain/Loss From Sale/Disp. of Prop.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3000	TOTAL REVENUE	\$353,077.00	\$327,942.00	\$356,343.00	8.7%	\$530.27

Annual Plan 2021 Annual Operating Budget

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Brimfield Housing Authority.

EXPENSES						
Account Number	Account Class	2019 Approved Expense Budget	2019 Actual Amounts Spent	2020 Approved Expense Budget	% Change from 2019 Actual to 2020 Budget.	2020 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month
4110 4120 4130 4140 4150 4170 4171 4180 4191 4190 4310 4320 4330 4340 4340 4360 4390	Administrative Salaries Compensated Absences Legal Members Compensation Travel & Related Expenses Accounting Services Audit Costs Penalties & Interest Administrative Other Tenant Organization TOTAL ADMINISTRATION Water Electricity Gas Fuel Energy Conservation Other Solar Operator Costs	\$12,085.00 \$0.00 \$500.00 \$1,250.00 \$1,250.00 \$3,780.00 \$35,488.00 \$35,488.00 \$35,488.00 \$2,400.00 \$115,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$14,400.00 \$77,000.00	\$0.00 \$627.00 \$5,400.00 \$3,780.00 \$33,782.00 \$33,782.00 \$140,825.00 \$140,825.00 \$0.00 \$15,190.00 \$78,236.00	\$0.00 \$3,500.00 \$0.00 \$2,750.00 \$5,568.00 \$3,780.00 \$51,764.00 \$500.00 \$67,862.00 \$2,400.00 \$115,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$14,400.00 \$77,000.00	0% 100% 0% 338.6% 3.1% 0% 53.2% 100% 24.1% 17.9% -18.3% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% -5.2% -1.6%	\$0.00 \$5.21 \$0.00 \$4.09 \$8.29 \$5.63 \$0.00 \$77.03 \$0.74 \$100.99 \$3.57 \$171.13 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$21.43 \$114.58
4392 4300	Net Meter Utility Credit (Negative Amount) TOTAL UTILITIES	\$-91,000.00 \$117,800.00				

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	Consolidated Budget (400-1) for a		Elderly), 200 (fam rimfield Housing A		tered site family) developments
EXPENSES	5	owned by b		Authonity.		
		2019 Approved	2019 Actual Amounts	2020 Approved	% Change from 2019	2020 Dollars Budgeted per
Account	Account Class	Expense	Spent	Expense	Actual to	Unit per
Number		Budget		Budget	2020 Budget	Month
4410	Maintenance Labor	\$34,706.00	\$34,706.00	\$0.00	-100%	\$0.00
4420	Materials & Supplies	\$15,500.00	\$13,637.00	\$18,500.00	35.7%	\$27.53
4430	Contract Costs	\$85,600.00	\$80,949.00	\$88,100.00	8.8%	\$131.10
4400	TOTAL MAINTENANCE	\$135,806.00	\$129,292.00	\$106,600.00	-17.6%	\$158.63
4510	Insurance	\$10,296.00	\$10,750.00	\$8,800.00	-18.1%	\$13.10
4520	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4540	Employee Benefits	\$30,672.00	\$33,562.00	\$35,100.00	4.6%	\$52.23
4541	Employee Benefits - GASB 45	\$0.00	\$6,858.00	\$0.00	-100%	\$0.00
4542	Pension Expense - GASB 68	\$0.00	\$111,271.00	\$0.00	-100%	\$0.00
4570	Collection Loss	\$2,500.00	\$396.00	\$1,000.00	152.5%	\$1.49
4571	Collection Loss - Fraud/Retroactive	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4580	Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4590	Other General Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4500	TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	\$43,468.00	\$162,837.00	\$44,900.00	-72.4%	\$66.82
4610	Extraordinary Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,200.00	100%	\$16.67
4611	Equipment Purchases - Non	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	100%	\$7.44
	Capitalized					
4612	Restricted Reserve Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4715	Housing Assistance Payments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4801	Depreciation Expense	\$0.00	\$95,376.00	\$0.00	-100%	\$0.00
4600	TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$95,376.00	\$16,200.00	-83%	\$24.11
4000	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$355,577.00	\$578,169.00	\$353,362.00	-38.9%	\$525.84

	Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments						
		owned by Br	imfield Housing A	Authority.			
SUMMARY	1	1			1		
Account Number	Account Class	2019 Approved Budget	2019 Actual Amounts	2020 Approved Budget	% Change from 2019 Actual to 2020 Budget	2020 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month	
3000	TOTAL REVENUE	\$353,077.00	\$327,942.00	\$356,343.00	8.7%	\$530.27	
4000	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$355,577.00	\$578,169.00	\$353,362.00	-38.9%	\$525.84	
2700	NET INCOME (DEFICIT)	\$-2,500.00	\$-250,227.00	\$2,981.00	-101.2%	\$4.44	
7520	Replacements of Equip Capitalized	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	
7540	Betterments & Additions - Capitalized	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	
7500	TOTAL NONOPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	
7600	EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$-2,500.00	\$-250,227.00	\$2,981.00	-101.2%	\$4.44	

Explanation of Budget Accounts

The following explains how each of the line items is to be prepared.

<u>3110:</u> Shelter Rent: The shelter rent projection should be based on the current rent roll plus anticipated changes expected from annual rent re-determinations or as a result of regulatory amendments.

<u>3111: Shelter Rent – Tenants - Fraud/Retroactive</u>: This account should be used for the reporting of total rent receipts from residents due to unreported income. These are often called fraud or retroactive balances. In cases where deficit LHAs discover, pursue cases, and have entered into a written fraud/retroactive repayment agreement with a present or former tenant who did not report income, the LHA will be allowed to retain two-thirds of the funds recovered. One third of the total dollar amount recovered should be included in the LHA's quarterly or year-end Operating Statement as Shelter Rent, account #3111, and two-thirds of this total dollar amount should be included in Other Revenue-Retained, account #3691.

<u>3115: Shelter Rent - Section 8</u>: This account applies only to those developments receiving support through the federal government's Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 8 New Construction and/or Substantial Rehab Programs.

<u>3190: Non-Dwelling Rental:</u> This account should be credited with the rents, other than tenants rents reported in line 3110 and 3115, including charges for utilities and equipment, billed to lessees of non-dwelling facilities as well as apartments rented for non-dwelling purposes, such as social service programs.

<u>3400: Administrative Fee- MRVP/AHVP</u>: This account should be credited with Administrative Fees to be received for the MRVP/AHVP Program. The MRVP/AHVP administrative fee is \$40.00 per unit per month, as of July 1, 2019.

<u>3610:</u> Interest on Investments – Unrestricted: This account should be credited with interest earned on unrestricted administrative fund investments.

<u>3611:</u> Interest on Investments – Restricted: This account should be credited with interest earned on restricted administrative fund investments. For example, an LHA may receive a grant whose use is restricted to a specific purpose, and the interest income earned on that grant may also be restricted to the same purpose.

<u>3690:</u> Other Operating Revenues: This account should be credited with income from the operation of the project that cannot be otherwise classified. Income credits to this account include, but are not limited to, penalties for delinquent payments, rental of equipment, charges for use of community space, charges to other projects or programs for the use of central office management and maintenance space, commissions and profits from vending machines, including washing machines, and certain charges to residents for additional services, materials, and/or repairs of damage caused by neglect or abuse in accordance with the Department's regulations on lease provisions.

<u>3691: Other Revenue – Retained</u>: This account should be credited with certain miscellaneous revenue to be <u>retained</u> by the LHA, and which is not used to reduce the amount of operating subsidy the LHA is due. The most common examples for this account is receipts for the rental of roof antennas to cell phone providers and net meter credits earned on electricity bills from Net Meter Power Purchase Agreements (PPA's). Generally, surplus LHAs may retain 100% of these savings and deficit LHAs may retain 25% of the savings, with

the 75% balance used to offset its need for operating subsidy. However, for the period 7/1/16 through 6/30/19, all deficit LHAs may keep 100% of the net meter credit savings.

<u>3692: Other Revenue - Operating Reserves:</u> This account should be credited with funds that LHAs plan to utilize from their operating reserve accounts in excess of the Allowable Non-Utility Expense Level (ANUEL). To be approvable, LHA must maintain the DHCD prescribed operating reserve minimum level after deducting the amount budgeted. The only exception to this is when the expenses are for health and safety issues.

<u>3693: Other Revenue – Net Meter:</u> This account should be normally be credited with 75% of the total net meter credit savings realized by a deficit LHA, while surplus LHAs with net meter credit savings would enter \$0 here. Savings are calculated as the value of the net meter credits appearing on the LHA's electric bills (or, in some cases, paid in cash to the LHA by their utility company), minus the cost of the payments made to the solar power developer under their Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). Deficit LHAs normally may retain 25% of the savings. That amount should be included as Other Revenue – Retained on line #3691. However, please note that for the period 7/1/16 through 6/30/19 all LHAs may retain 100% of their total net meter credit savings, and should report those savings as Other Revenue – Retained on line #3691

<u>3801:</u> Operating Subsidy – DHCD (400-1): This account represents all state-funded operating subsidy to be received and or to be earned for the fiscal year. At the end of each fiscal year, this account will be adjusted in the operating statement to equal the actual subsidy earned by the LHA.

<u>3802: Operating Subsidy – MRVP/AHVP Landlords:</u>

The credit balance in this account represents the anticipated total receipts from DHCD during the fiscal year for housing assistance payments to landlords. At the end of each fiscal year this account will be adjusted to equal the actual subsidy earned.

<u>3920:</u> Gain/Loss from Sale or Disposition of Property (Capitalized or Non-Capitalized): The debit or credit balance of this account represents the following items: a) Cash proceeds from the sale of property that was either: 1) non-capitalized; or 2) capitalized and has been fully depreciated, and b) Realized gain or loss from the sale or disposition of capitalized properly that has not been fully depreciated.

<u>4110:</u> Administrative Salaries: This account should be charged with the gross salaries of LHA personnel engaged in administrative duties and in the supervision, planning, and direction of maintenance activities and operating services during the operations period. It should include the salaries of the executive director, assistant executive director, accountants, accounting clerks, clerks, secretaries, project managers, management aides, purchasing agents, engineers, draftsmen, maintenance superintendents, and all other employees assigned to administrative duties.

<u>4120: Compensated Absences:</u> The debit balance in this account represents the actual cost incurred during the fiscal year for vacation, paid holidays, vested sick leave and earned compensatory time. This account includes both the direct compensated absences cost and associated employer payroll expenses (employment taxes, pension cost, etc.).

<u>4130: Legal Expense:</u> This account should be charged with retainers and fees paid to attorneys for legal services relating to the operation of the projects.

<u>4140: Compensation to Authority Members:</u> A local authority may compensate its members for performance of their duties and such other services as they may render to the authority in connection with its Chapter 200 development(s). Compensation for any other program is not authorized. Because of this, LHAs must base such compensation only on the actual rent receipts for these developments plus a prorated share of other operating receipts of funds on a per unit basis. The precise amount that members may be compensated is defined by statute to a maximum of \$40 per member per day, and \$50 for the chairperson per day. The total of all compensation to all board members is not to exceed two percent (2%) of actual gross income of Chapter 200 developments in any given year, consistent with the approved budget amount. In no case shall the payment of compensation exceed \$12,500 annually for the chairperson, or \$10,000 for any member other than the chairperson. Please note the statute requires the member to perform housing authority business in order to receive compensation.

<u>4150:</u> Travel and Related Expense: Legitimate travel expenses incurred by board members and staff in the discharge of their duties for any **state-aided program** are reimbursable from this account, as consistent with Department policy.

<u>4170: Contractual Accounting Services:</u> Fees for accounting services that are provided routinely and are contracted for on an annual basis. Only accounting services performed on a contractual basis (fee accountant) should be included in this item. Full or part-time LHA accounting staff that provides routine accounting services should be included in Account 4110, Administrative Salaries.

<u>4171:</u> Audit Costs: This account includes the state program's prorated share of audit fees paid to an Independent Public Accountant (IPA). The procurement of an IPA is necessary to satisfy the Federal Government's audit requirements. Costs for these services should be shared with all state and federal programs of LHA. Audit costs are to be absorbed within the ANUEL. The new Agreed Upon procedures (AUP) audit costs for state-assisted public housing programs should also be included in this account.

<u>4180:</u> <u>Penalties and Interest:</u> Any expenses incurred from penalties, fees, and interest paid on delinquent accounts shall be included in this line item.

<u>4190: Administrative Other</u>: This account is provided for recording the cost of administrative items for which no specific amount is prescribed in this 4100 group of accounts. It includes, but is not limited to, the cost of such items as: reports and accounting forms; stationery and other office supplies; postage; telephone services; messenger service; rental of office space; advertising for bids; publications; membership dues; collection agency & court costs, training costs; management fees, and fiscal agent fees.

<u>4191: Tenant Organization: LTO Funding by the LHA</u>. Upon request the LHA shall fund all LTOs in a city or town at the annual rate of \$6.00 per state-aided public housing unit occupied or available for occupancy by residents represented by such LTO(s) or an annual total of \$500.00 prorated among all such LTO(s), whichever is more. For more information on the creation and funding of LTOs see 760 CMR 6.09.

Authorities which operate computer learning centers, which are funded by the state consolidated budget or by other sources (which are typically recorded in line #3691 as "Other Revenue Retained", should budget the cost of the centers on this line.

<u>4310:</u> Water: This account should be charged with the cost of water and sewer charges purchased for all purposes.

<u>4320: Electricity</u>: This account should be charged with the total cost of electricity purchased for all purposes. Many LHAs have entered into Net Meter Credit Power Purchase Agreements (PPA's). In these deals, an LHA executes a contract with a solar power developer who constructs and owns an off- site solar electricitygenerating site. In exchange for contracting to purchase a percentage of the solar power produced, the LHA receives a credit on its utility electric bill for each KWH purchased or in some cases receives a direct cash payment from their utility company. Please ensure that the amount charged to this account is the total cost of electricity BEFORE any reductions due to the receipt of net meter credits.

<u>4330: Gas:</u> This account should be charged with the cost of gas (natural, artificial, or liquefied) purchased for all purposes.

<u>4340:</u> Fuel: This account should be charged with the cost of coal, fuel oil, steam purchased, and any other fuels (except electricity and gas) used in connection with Local Housing Authority operation of plants for the heating of space or water supplied to tenants as a part of rent.

<u>4360:</u> Energy Conservation: This account is to be charged with costs incurred for energy conservation measures.

<u>4390:</u> Other Utilities: This account should be charged with the cost of utilities which are not provided for in accounts 4310 through 4360.

<u>4391: Solar Operator Costs:</u> Many LHAs have entered into Net Meter Credit Power Purchase Agreements (PPA's). In these deals, an LHA executes a contract with a solar power developer who constructs and owns an off-site solar electricity-generating site. The LHA makes regular (usually monthly) payments to the developer for its contracted share of the solar electricity produced by the site. Those payments should be entered in this account.

<u>4392: Net Meter Utility Credit (Negative Amount):</u> As noted in account #4391 above, many LHAs have executed Net Meter Credit Power Purchase Agreements (PPA's). In exchange for contracting to purchase a percentage of the solar power produced, the LHA receives a credit on its utility electric bill for each KWH purchased from the developer, which reduces the balance on its electric bill, or, in some cases, the credits are paid in cash to the LHA by the utility company. The total gross amount of the net meter credits that appear on the LHA's utility bills should be carried in this account and entered as a negative number. In cases where credits are paid in cash to the Host LHA, the net balance after paying out the amounts due the participating housing authorities, should also be carried in this account and entered as a negative number.

<u>4410:</u> Maintenance Labor: This account should be charged with the gross salaries and wages, or applicable portions thereof, for LHA personnel engaged in the routine maintenance of the project.

<u>4420:</u> Materials & Supplies: This account should be charged with the cost of materials, supplies, and expendable equipment used in connection with the routine maintenance of the project. This includes the operation and maintenance of automotive and other movable equipment, and the cost of materials, supplies, and expendable equipment used in connection with operating services such as janitorial services, elevator services, extermination of rodents and household pests, and rubbish and garbage collection.

<u>4430: Contract Costs:</u> This account should be charged with contract costs (i.e. the cost of services for labor, materials, and supplies furnished by a firm or by persons other than Local Authority employees) incurred in connection with the routine maintenance of the project, including the maintenance of automotive and other movable equipment. This account should also be charged with contract costs incurred in connection with such operating services as janitorial services, fire alarm and elevator service, extermination of rodents and household pests, rubbish and garbage collection, snow removal, landscape services, oil burner maintenance, etc.

<u>4510:</u> Insurance: Includes the total amount of premiums charged all forms of insurance. Fire and extended coverage, crime, and general liability are handled by DHCD on a statewide basis. All other necessary insurance policies include: Workers' Compensation, boiler, vehicle liability and owner, etc.

4520: Payments in Lieu of Taxes:

This account should be charged with all payments in lieu of taxes accruing to a municipality or other local taxing body.

<u>4540:</u> Employee Benefits: This account should be charged with local housing authority contributions to employee benefit plans such as pension, retirement, and health and welfare plans. It should also be charged with administrative expenses paid to the State or other public agencies in connection with a retirement plan, if such payment is required by State Law, and with Trustee's fees paid in connection with a private retirement plan, if such payment is required under the retirement plan contract.

Employee benefits are based upon a given percentage of the total payroll; therefore, the total amount approved in this account will be based on the approved budgeted salaries representing the state's fair share.

<u>4541: Employee Benefits - GASB 45: This line covers "</u>Other Post-Employment Benefits" (OPEB). Of the total benefits offered by employers to attract and retain qualified employees, some benefits, including salaries and active-employee healthcare are taken while the employees are in active service, whereas other benefits, including post-employment healthcare and other OPEB are taken after the employees' services have ended. Nevertheless, both types of benefits constitute compensation for employee services. In accordance with required accounting practices, this amount is not projected in the budget (and is therefore blank) but the estimated future costs of this item is carried in the operating statement.

<u>4542: Pension Expense – GASB 68:</u> The primary objective of GASB 68 Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for pension costs. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. As with account 4541 above, in accordance with required accounting practices, this amount is not projected in the budget (and is therefore blank) but the estimated future costs of this item is carried in the operating statement.

<u>4570:</u> Collection Loss: The balance in this account represents the estimated expense to cover unexpected losses for tenant rents. Note: Do not include losses from fraud/retroactive balances here. Report them in Account 4571 – Collection Loss – Fraud/Retroactive.

<u>4571: Collection Loss – Fraud/Retroactive:</u> The balance in this account represents the estimated expense to cover unexpected losses for tenant rents due to unreported income, i.e. fraud/retroactive balances.

<u>4580:</u> Interest Expense: The debit balance in this account represents the interest expense paid and accrued on loans and notes payable. This debt can be from operating borrowings or capital borrowings.

<u>4590:</u> Other General Expense: This account represents the cost of all items of general expenses for which no specific account is prescribed in the general group of accounts.

<u>4610:</u> Extraordinary Maintenance – Non-Capitalized: This account should be debited with all *costs* (labor, materials and supplies, expendable equipment (such as many tools or routine repair parts), and contract work) of repairs, replacements (but not replacements of non-expendable equipment), and rehabilitation of such a substantial nature that the work is clearly not a part of the routine maintenance and operating program. The items charged to this account should not increase the useful life or value of the asset being repaired. These items are not capitalized and are not added as an increase to fixed assets at the time of completion. Nor are these items depreciated. An example of this would be scheduled repainting of apartments.

<u>4611: Equipment Purchases – Non-Capitalized:</u> This account should be debited with the costs of equipment that does not meet the LHA's criteria for capitalization. Because these items are being expended when paid, they should not be categorized as a fixed asset and therefore will not be depreciated. These items include stoves, refrigerators, small tools, most computers and software, etc.

The budget is a planning tool and as our portfolio ages it is essential that LHAs evaluate their properties annually and plan for extraordinary maintenance. To that end DHCD very strongly recommends that for all 400-1 operating budgets, depending on the age of the portfolio and condition, LHAs spend between \$100 and \$500 a year per unit in Extraordinary Maintenance, Equipment Purchases, Replacement of Equipment, and Betterments & Additions to ensure that the aging public housing stock is preserved.

<u>4715:</u> <u>Housing Assistance Payments:</u> This account should be debited with all housing assistance payments paid to landlords for the MRVP program on a monthly basis.

<u>4801: Depreciation Expense:</u> This account should be debited with annual fixed asset depreciation expenses as determined by the LHA's capitalization policy.

<u>7520:</u> Replacement of Equipment – Capitalized: This account should be debited with the acquisition cost (only the net cash amount) of non-expendable equipment purchased as a replacement of equipment of substantially the same kind. These items, such as vehicles, computers, or furniture, meet the LHA's criteria for capitalization and will also be added to fixed assets and therefore depreciated over the useful life.

<u>7540:</u> Betterments & Additions – Capitalized: This account should be debited with the acquisition cost (only the net cash amount) of non-expendable equipment and major non-routine repairs that are classified as a betterment or addition. These items meet the LHA's criteria for capitalization and will also be added to fixed assets and therefore depreciated over the useful life of the asset. Examples are: major roof replacement, structural repairs such as siding, or major paving work.

In accordance with GAAP accounting, inventory purchases (Replacement of Equipment and Betterments & Additions) are distinguished between capitalized and non-capitalized items. Any inventory or equipment purchase greater than \$5,000 is required by DHCD to be capitalized, inventoried and depreciated. Any inventory or equipment purchase costing \$1,000 to \$4,999 should be inventoried by LHA staff for control

purposes only but is not subject to capitalization or depreciation, it is, however, required to be expensed when the items are paid for. An LHA's inventory listing should include both capitalized and non-capitalized items of \$1,000 and more, as well as all refrigerators and stoves of any value. All items that appear on the inventory listing should be tagged with a unique identification number, and all refrigerators and stoves (regardless of value) should be tagged. LHAs may adopt a capitalization policy that capitalizes inventory purchases at a lesser amount than the \$5,000 requirement (i.e. \$1,000 - \$4,999); however, no capitalization policy can have an amount higher than \$5,000. Any inventory or equipment purchases costing \$0 to \$999 are to be expensed when paid for.

Narrative Responses to the Performance Management Review (PMR) Findings

The Performance Management Review conducted by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the 2019 LHA fiscal year resulted in the following ratings. Criteria which received a 'Corrective Action' rating show both a reason for the rating and a response by the LHA. The reason indicates Brimfield Housing Authority's understanding of why they received the rating, while the responses describe their goals and the means by which they will meet or improve upon the performance-based assessment standards established by DHCD in the PMR. When the PMR rating is 'Operational Guidance', the LHA may have responded, but was not required to.

Category: Management

Criterion: Occupancy Rate - the percentage of units that are occupied on monthly report. Rating: No Findings

Criterion: Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR) - the percentage of uncollected rent and related charges owed by tenants to the local housing authority (LHA), out of the total amount of rent and related costs charged to tenants. Rating: No Findings

Criterion: Certifications and Reporting Submissions - timely submission of statements and certifications Rating: Operational Guidance

Reason: Statements and certifications where not always submitted on time. Monson Housing is now the managing agent and is organizing operations in Brimfield to secure that everything is submitted appropriately.

Response: All four quarters of Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR), Vacancy Reporting and Quarterly Operating Statements will be submitted within the required filing dates each quarter.

Criterion: Completion of mandatory online board member training

Rating: Operational Guidance

Reason: Not all board members have completed all training.

Response: Guidance has been given to board members regarding mandatory training.

Category: Financial

Criterion: Adjusted Net Income - a measure of overspending or underspending.

Rating: Operational Guidance

Reason: There were deficiencies in the budget.

Response: A budget revision was prepared to address the deficiencies. It was unable to be submitted until the end of November due to the required signature of all board members. Upon review of the approved budget revision, it appears that the finding of Operational Guidance is based on the original budget not the revised budget.

Criterion: Current Operating Reserve as a percentage of total maximum reserve level. Rating: No Findings

Category: Capital Planning

Criterion: Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) submitted on time. Rating: No findings

Criterion: Timely spending of capital funds awarded under the Formula Funding program Rating: Operational Guidance

Reason: Some projects were delayed due to re-bidding.

Response: Our projected capital spending for fiscal year 2021 is 95% and for fiscal year 2021 is 111%. We are on track to complete all approved projects.

Category: Facility Management - Health & Safety

Criterion: Health and Safety Violations

DHCD has observed conditions at the LHA's developments and reported the following health and safety violations. The LHA has certified the number of corrected violations in each category.

	Number of violations cited	Number of violations corrected
Maintenance related violations	0	0
Tenant related violations	0	0

Category: Facility Management - Inspections

Criterion: LHA Conducted 100% of the Unit Inspections. Rating:

Criterion: Inspection reports noted 100% of the necessary repairs in each unit. Rating:

Criterion: 100% of inspection-related work orders were generated. Rating:

Criterion: Work order system identifies, tracks, and can produce reports for inspection work orders. Rating:

Criterion: Inspection work orders were completed within 30 calendar days from the date of inspection, OR if cacnnot be completed with 30 calendar days, are added to the Deferred Maintenance Plan or included in the Capital Improvement Plan in the case of qualifying capital repairs (unless health/safety issue). Rating:

Category: Facility Management - Work Order System

Criterion: Emergency work orders defined per Property Management Guide, identified, tracked, reportable.

Rating:

Criterion: Emergency work orders initiated within 24-48 hours. Rating:

Criterion: Vacancy work orders identified, tracked and reportable. Rating:

Criterion: Vacancy work orders were completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within that timeframe, LHA has a waiver. Rating:

Criterion: Comprehensive Preventive Maintenance Program exists & preventive work orders identified, tracked, and reportable. Rating:

Criterion: Routine work orders should be identified, tracked, reportable and competed regularly. Rating:

Criterion: Requested work orders identified, tracked and reportable. Rating:

Criterion: Requested work orders were completed in 14 calendar days from the date of tenant request or it not ocmpleted within that timeframe (and not a health or safety issue), the task was added and completed in a timely manner as a part of the Deferred Maintenance Plan and/or CIP. Rating:

Category: Facility Management - Emergency Response System:

Criterion: Housing authorities has 24 Hour Emergency Response System, Distributed Emergency Definition to Residents, Staff, and Answering Service (if applicable). Rating:

Explanation of PMR Criteria Ratings

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Management	
Occupancy Rate	 The rating is calculated using the following formula: (Total Number of Occupied units on Monthly Report divided by (Total Number of Units Minus Units that Received a Waiver Minus Number of Units Vacant less than 30 days on Monthly Report) "No Findings": Occupancy Rate is at or above 98% Operational Guidance: Occupancy rate is at 95% up to 97.9% Corrective Action: Adjusted occupancy rate is less than 95%
Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR)	 This criterion calculates the percentage of uncollected rent and related charges owed by starting with the amount reported by the LHA, as uncollected balances for the TAR (Account 1122 from the Balance Sheet) minus Normal Repayment Agreements* divided by Shelter (Tenant) Rent (account 3110 from the Operating Statement) "No Findings" : At or below 2% "Operational Guidance": More than 2% , but less than 5% "Corrective Action": 5% or more
Certifications and Reporting Submissions	 Housing authorities are required to submit 4 quarterly vacancy certifications by end of the month following quarter end; 4 quarterly operating statements and 4 Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR) reports within 60 days of quarter end. "No Findings": At least 11 of the required 12 reports were submitted and at least 9 were submitted on time. "Operational Guidance": Less than 11 of the required 12 reports were submitted and/or less than 9 were submitted on time.
Board Member Training	 Percentage of board members that have completed the mandatory online board member training. "No Findings": 80% or more completed training "Operational Guidance": 60-79.9% completed training "Corrective Action": <60 % completed training

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Financial	
Adjusted Net Income	The Adjusted Net Income criterion calculation starts with an LHA's Net Income and subtracts Depreciation, GASB 45 (Retirement Costs), GASB 68 (Retirement Costs), Extraordinary Maintenance (maintenance expense outside of routine/ordinary expenses), and Equipment Purchases – Non Capitalized. This Adjusted Net Income amount is then divided by the Total Expenses of the LHA. If this Adjusted Net Income amount is positive, it means underspending and if it is negative it means overspending. Underspending Rating: • "No Findings" : 0 to 9.9% • "Operational Guidance": 10 to 14.9% • "Corrective Action": 15% or higher Overspending Rating: • "No Findings" : 0 to -4.9% • "Operational Guidance": -5% to -9.9% • "Corrective Action": -10% or below
Operating Reserves	Current Operating Reserve as a percentage of total maximum reserve level. Appropriate reserve level is buffer against any unforeseen events or expenditures. • "No Findings" :35%+ of maximum operating reserve • "Operational Guidance": 20% to 34.9% of maximum operating reserve • "Corrective Action": <20% of maximum operating reserve
Capital Planning	
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Submitted	 Housing authorities are required to submit a five-year capital plan every year. "No Findings" =Submitted on time "Operational Guidance" =Up to 45 days late "Corrective Action" =More than 45 days late
Capital Spending	 Under the Formula Funding Program (FF), authorities receive undesignated funds to spend on projects in their Capital Improvement Plan. They are rated on the percentage of available funds they have spent over a three-year period "No Findings" = at least 80% "Operational Guidance" = At least 50% "Corrective Action" = Less than 50%

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Health & Safety	
Health & safety violations	DHCD has observed conditions at the LHA's developments and reported health and safety violations. The LHA has certified the number of corrected violations in each category.
Facility Management	
- Inspections Unit Inspections Conducted	 Housing authorities are required to conduct inspections of all their occupied units at least once a year "No Findings": 100 % of sampled units had inspections conducted once during the year "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of sample units were inspected during the year
Inspections Report	 Housing authorities are required to note all of the deficiencies found during inspections "No Findings": 100 % of deficiencies are noted on inspection report "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of deficiencies are noted in inspection report
Inspection Work Order	 Housing authorities are required to generate work orders for all deficiencies noted during inspections "No Findings": 100 % of deficiencies noted on inspection reports generated work orders "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of deficiencies noted on inspection reports generated work orders
Work Order System	 Work order system identifies, tracks, and can produce reports for inspection work orders. "No Findings": Inspection work orders are identified, tracked, and reportable "Operational Guidance": Inspection work orders are not identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable
Inspections Work Orders Completed	 Inspection work orders were completed within 30 calendar days from the date of inspection, OR if cannot be completed within 30 calendar days, are added to the Deferred Maintenance Plan or included in the Capital Improvement Plan in the case of qualifying capital repairs (unless health/safety issue). "No Findings": Sampled inspection work orders were completed within 30 days of inspection date or added to deferred maintenance plan and/or CIP "Operational Guidance": Sampled inspection work orders were completed within 31 to 45 calendar days of inspection date and not added to deferred maintenance plan or CIP "Corrective Action": Sampled inspection work orders were completed in over 45 calendar days of inspection date

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Facility Management – Work Order System	
Emergency Work Orders Properly Defined	 Emergency work orders should be defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, identified, tracked, reportable. "No Findings": Emergency work orders defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, identified, tracked, reportable "Operational Guidance": Emergency work orders are not defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, and/or identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable
Emergency Work Orders Initiation	 Emergency work orders should be initiated within 24 to 48 hours. "No Findings": Emergency work orders initiated within 24-48 hours "Corrective Action": Emergency work orders not initiated within 24-48 hours
Vacancy Work Orders	 Vacancy work orders should be identified, tracked and reportable. "No Findings": Vacancy work orders identified, tracked AND reportable "Corrective Action": Vacancy work orders are not identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable
Vacancy Work Orders Completed	 Vacancy work orders should be completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within that timeframe, LHA has a waiver. "No Findings": Vacancy work orders are completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within timeframe, LHA has a waiver "Operational Guidance": Vacancy work orders completed within 31-60 calendar days "Corrective Action": Vacancy work orders completed 61+ calendar days
Preventive Maintenance Program	 Housing authorities are required to maintain a comprehensive preventive maintenance program in which preventive work orders are identified, tracked, and reportable. "No Findings": A comprehensive preventive maintenance program exists and work orders are identified, tracked and reportable "Corrective Action": A comprehensive preventive maintenance program does not exist OR work orders are not identified and/or tracked and/or reportable
Routine Work Orders	 Routine work orders should be identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly. "No Findings": Routine work orders identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly "Operational Guidance": Routine work orders are not identified, and/or tracked and/or reportable, and/or completed regularly

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Requested Work	Requested work orders should be identified, tracked and reportable.
Orders	 "No Findings": Requested work orders identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly
	 "Operational Guidance": Requested work orders are not identified and/or tracked and/or reportable, and or completed regularly
Requested Work	Requested work orders should be completed in 14 calendar days from the
Orders Completion	 date of tenant request or if not completed within that timeframe (and not a health or safety issue), the task should be added and completed in a timely manner as a part of the Deferred Maintenance Plan and/or CIP. "No Findings": Requested work orders are completed within 14 calendar days of tenant request OR added to deferred maintenance plan and/or CIP "Operational Guidance": Requested work orders are completed within 15-30 calendar days from the date of tenant request "Corrective Action": Requested work orders are completed in over 30 calendar days from the date of tenant request OR not completed
Emergency Response System	 Housing authorities should have a 24 Hour Emergency Response System and distribute Emergency Definition to Residents, Staff, and Answering Service (if applicable). "No Findings": A 24-hour system for responding to emergencies exists AND definitions of emergencies have been distributed to staff, residents and answering service, if applicable "Operational Guidance": System exists, but no definition has been distributed "Corrective Action": Neither a system nor distributed definitions exist

Policies

The following policies are currently in force at the Brimfield Housing Authority:

Policy	Last Ratified by Board Vote	Notes
*Rent Collection Policy	08/22/2019	
*Personnel Policy	02/01/2017	
*Capitalization Policy	02/01/2017	
*Procurement Policy	03/08/2017	
*Grievance Policy	03/08/2017	

* Starred policies are required by DHCD. Policies without a "Latest Revision" date are not yet in force.

The list of policies has been provided by the LHA and has not been verified by DHCD.

<u>Waivers</u>

AP-2021-Brimfield Housing Authori-00095 has no current waivers from the regulations of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

Glossary

- **ADA**: Americans with Disabilities Act. Often used as shorthand for accessibility related issues or improvements.
- AHVP: Alternative Housing Voucher Program
- Alternative Housing Voucher Program provides rental vouchers to disabled applicants who are not elderly and who have been determined eligible for Chapter 667 (elderly and disabled) housing.
- Allowable Non-Utility Expense Level (ANUEL) is the amount of non-utility expense allowed for each local housing authority based upon the type(s) of housing programs administered.
- ANUEL: Allowable Non-Utility Expense Level
- AP: Annual Plan
- Annual Plan: A document prepared by each Local Housing Authority, incorporating the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), Maintenance and Repair Plan, Budget, responses to the Performance Management Review, and other elements.
- Cap Share is the amount of Formula Funding spending approved by DHCD for each year.
- **Capital Funds**: Funds provided by DHCD to an LHA for the modernization and preservation of state-aided public housing, including Formula Funds and Special Capital Funds.
- **Capital Needs Assessment**, similar to the CIP, often used for developments in the Section 8 New Construction/Substantial Rehabilitation program. Such developments are generally not eligible for state capital funds and therefore do not participate in the CIP process. However, to track their ongoing capital needs and plan for construction projects to address those needs, they often conduct a CNA to determine when building systems will wear out and need to be replaced, and what replacement will cost, so they can plan the ensure that the necessary funding will be available
- **Capital Projects** are projects that add significant value to an asset or replace building systems or components. Project cost must be greater than \$1000.
- **CIMS** is a web-based software system used for creating CIP's and Annual Plans. For the CIP, the CIMS program allows the LHA to prioritize, select and schedule projects, assign funding sources and direct project spending to specific fiscal years to create a CIP that is consistent with the LHA's FF award amount and FF cap shares, plus any additional funding resources the LHA has identified. The LHA submits its CIP and DHCD conducts its review of the LHA's CIP in CIMS. For the Annual Plan CIMS imports data from other DHCD systems and combines that with data entered by the LHA.
- **CIP**: A Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a five (5) year plan which identifies capital projects, provides a planning scope, schedule and budget for each capital project and identifies options for financing and implementing the plan. The contents of a CIP are limited to available resources. An approved CIP is required in order to receive Formula Funds.
- **CNA:** Capital Needs Assessment

- **CPS** is DHCD's transparent Web-based capital planning system that catalogues the condition of every building and site in the statewide public housing portfolio, providing LHAs with detailed technical information to make strategic long-term capital investments. It includes a Facility Condition Index (FCI) for every development that compares the value of expired components of a development relative to its replacement cost.
- **Deferred Maintenance** is maintenance, upgrades, or repairs that are deferred to a future budget cycle or postponed for some other reason. Sometimes it is referred to as extraordinary maintenance.
- **Deficit housing authority:** a housing authority whose income (mainly from rent) does not cover all its normal operating costs in its approved operating budget, and which therefore operates at a deficit and requires operating subsidy from DHCD.
- DHCD: Massachusetts Department of Housing & Community Development
- **Extraordinary Maintenance**: see the description for budget line 4610 in the Explanation of Budget Accounts in the Budget Section of this Annual Plan.
- **FF**: Formula Funding
- **Formula Funding** is state bond funding allocated to each LHA according to the condition (needs) of its portfolio in comparison to the entire state-aided public housing portfolio.
- FYE: Fiscal Year End
- **HHA Administrative Fee** is the fee paid to an HHA from the RCAT Program budget.
- **HHA**: Host Housing Authority for the RCAT program.

Host Housing Authority (HHA). An LHA selected by the Department to employ and oversee an RCAT.

- HUD: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- LHA: Local Housing Authority
- LTO: Local Tenants Organization
- Management and Occupancy Report: This is an annual HUD review process that is used to evaluate the performance of developments in various HUD housing programs, including the Section 8 New Construction/Substantial Rehabilitation program, which some LHAs operate. It is similar to the state PMR process in that it evaluates LHA performance on variety of financial, housing quality, and other standards
- Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP) is a state-funded program that provides rental subsidies to low-income families and individuals.
- MOR: Management and Occupancy Report
- **MRVP**: Massachusetts Rental V DHCD's annual review of each housing authority's performance. It pulls together data on the authority's occupancy rates, tenant accounts receivables, accounts payable, budget variance, operating reserve, capital improvement plan submission, capital spending, annual inspections and work order and maintenance systems to identify and address areas of strength and areas for development. Its goal is to allow DHCD and the LHA to

take a deep dive into the data, lift up best practices, and work together towards improving operations oucher Program.

Performance Management Review (PMR):

- **PMR**: Performance Management Review
- **RCAT**: Regional Capital Assistance Team
- **Regional Capital Assistance Team**: One of three organizations employed at HHAs designated by the Department to carry out the RCAT Program.
- Sec.8 NC/SR (or S8NCSR): Section 8 New Construction and Substantial Rehabilitation
- Section 8 New Construction and Substantial Rehabilitation (Sec.8 NC/SR): This term refers to a federal HUD housing program operated at a small number of state public housing developments whose construction was funded by state grants, but whose ongoing operating costs are supported by project-based subsidies from HUD's federal Section 8 program, rather than from state public housing operating funds..
- **Special Awards**: In addition to allocations to each LHA, DHCD has created limited set aside funds to provide for extreme emergency or code compliance needs which are beyond the capacity of an LHA's current FF balance.
- **Surplus housing authority:** a housing authority whose income (mainly from rent) covers all its normal operating costs in its approved operating budget, and which therefore operates at a surplus and does not require operating subsidy from DHCD.

Attachments

The following items have been uploaded as attachments to this Annual Plan.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency, on-site Performance Management Review (PMR) assessments by the Facilities Management Specialists were cancelled for the December fiscal year end housing authorities. Therefore, the Facility Management categories have been omitted from the PMR document.

- Cover sheet for tenant satisfaction surveys
- Tenant Satisfaction Survey 667only
- Performance Management Review.

Resident Surveys – Background:

Since 2016 DHCD has been working with the Center for Survey Research at the University of Massachusetts Boston to survey residents in the state public housing units it oversees. The surveys are confidential, mailed directly to the residents and returned to the Center by mail (or, starting in 2019, completed on-line). In Round One of the surveys, conducted over the period 2016-2018, residents of elderly/disabled developments (also known as c. 667 developments) and family units (also known as c. 705 and c. 200 developments) were surveyed in four groups as described below. (Note: there are many more c. 667 units, so they were broken down into three groups).

ROUND ONE SURVEYS

Spring 2016: (c. 200 and c. 705) Fall 2016: (667 - Group 1) Fall 2017: (667 - Group 2) Fall 2018: (667 - Group 3)

By the end of 2018, all residents were surveyed in Round One with one exception: in the case of the twelve housing authorities with **more than** 225 c. 200 family units, a randomly selected group of 225 c. 200 residents were surveyed. This group was determined to be large enough to generate statistically useful results.

Round Two of the surveys began in 2019. The current plan is to complete all Round Two surveys in four groups as follows:

ROUND TWO SURVEYS

Fall 2019 (667 - Group 1) - COMPLETED Fall 2020 (200s and 705s) Fall 2021 (667 - Group 2) Fall 2022 (667 - Group 3)

Please Note:

- 1. If there were at least twenty responses from residents of BOTH an authority's c.667 units AND from their c.200/705 units, then there is a separate report for each program.
- 2. If there were fewer than twenty responses in EITHER program, but at least twenty responses combined, then the elderly and family results were combined into a single report.
- To protect resident confidentiality, survey results are generally reported ONLY for authorities that had at least twenty total resident responses from their combined c.667/200/705 residents. Therefore, a few smaller authorities that didn't have twenty responses do not have a published survey report.
- 4. Because the 2019-2022 surveys ask some different questions than the 2016-2018 survey, the results can't be combined (i.e., 2019 c.667 results can't be combined with 2016 c.200/705 results, as described in #2 above.
- 5. Responses from family residents in c.200 and c.705 housing are always combined together.

Brimfield Housing Authority

Chapter 667 Housing Fall 2019

DHCD is working with the Center for Survey Research at the University of Massachusetts Boston to survey residents in the housing units it oversees.

In the Fall of 2019, surveys were sent to 7172 housing units (Chapter 667). 3421 surveys were filled out and returned.

In the **Brimfield Housing Authority**, surveys were sent to a total of **56** Brimfield housing units (Chapter 667); **26** surveys were completed.

This report provides some information about how the residents from the **Brimfield Housing Authority** who answered the survey responded. It compares their answers to those from residents in the entire state and to those from small LHAs in Western Massachusetts. These small LHAs in Western Massachusetts include: Adams, Brimfield, Granby, Hatfield, Holyoke, Lee, Ludlow, Montague, Orange, Palmer, Shelburne, Southwick, and Williamstown.

Communication

• **Communication with management:** Residents were asked about how they interacted with their Housing Authorities in this peer group in the last 12 months. The table below shows what percentage of residents said they did each of the following:

	Brimfield Housing Authority	Small LHAs in Western MA *	Entire State
Felt they were usually or always treated with courtesy and respect when they contacted management	81%	88%	87%
Knew the Executive Director held a meeting with residents	27%	47%	54%

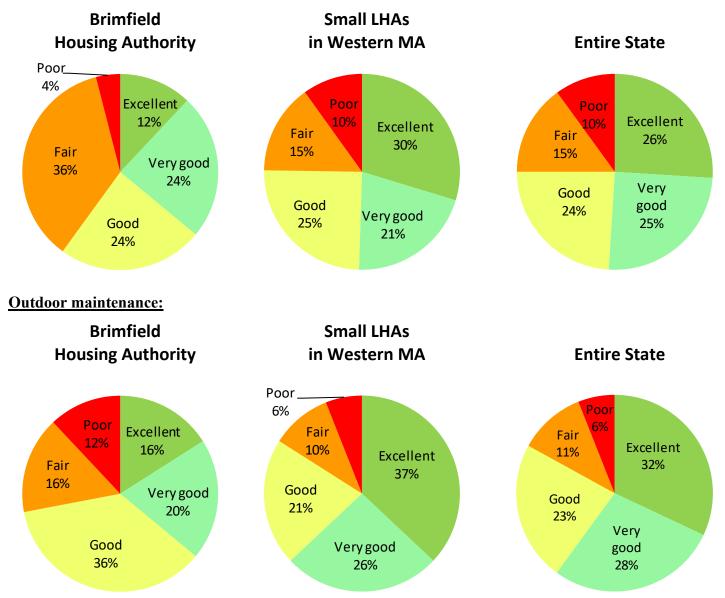
Maintenance and Repair

• **Communication with maintenance staff:** Residents were asked about their interactions with the Brimfield Housing Authority maintenance staff in the last 12 months.

	Brimfield Housing Authority	Small LHAs in Western MA	Entire State
Felt they were treated with courtesy and respect when they contacted maintenance	88%	91%	89%
Were contacted by the Housing Authority before entering their apartment	92%	95%	92%

• **Overall maintenance** Respondents were asked how they would they rate overall building maintenance (such as clean halls and stairways and having lights and elevators that work) and outdoor space maintenance (such as litter removal and clear walkways) in the last 12 months.

Building maintenance:



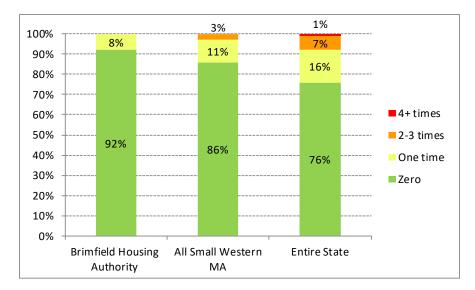
• Heating and Water Problems: About one third of respondents had a problem with their heating and about three quarters had a plumbing problem in the last 12 months.

	Brimfield Housing Authority	Small LHAs in Western MA	Entire State
Had any heating problem	31%	37%	40%
Had any water problem	73%	53%	57%

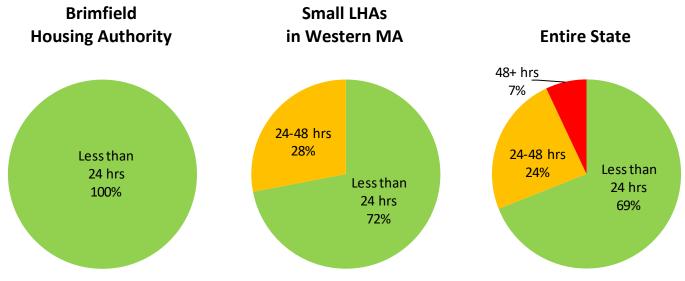
Heating Problems

How many times did residents completely lose heat?

The chart below shows how many times respondents had completely lost heat in the last 12 months. The green part of the bars shows what percentage of residents did not have the problem at all. The yellow shows who had the problem one time. The orange shows those who had the problem 2-3 times. And the red shows those who had the problem 4 or more times in the last 12 months.



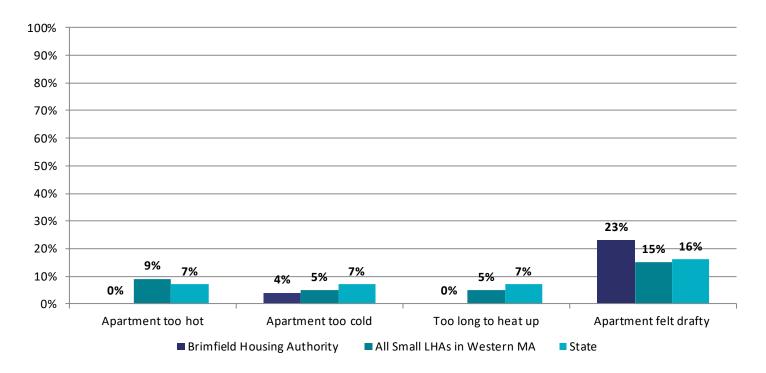
How long did it usually take for heat to come back on? For those respondents who reported completely losing heat, we asked how long it usually took for the heat to come back on – less than 24 hours, 24 - 48 hours, or more than 48 hours.



• Other Heating Problems

In the last 12 months did residents have other heating problems?

The chart below shows what percentage of residents experienced other heating problems in the last 12 months.



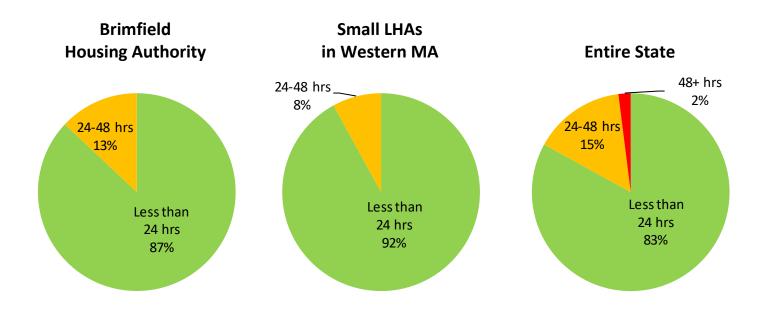
• Water or Plumbing Problems

How many times did residents have no hot water in their apartment?

The chart below shows how many times respondents did not have no hot water in their apartment in the last 12 months. The green part of the bars shows what percentage of residents did not have the problem at all. The yellow shows who had the problem one time. The orange shows those who had the problem 2-3 times. And the red shows those who had the problem 4 or more times in the last 12 months.



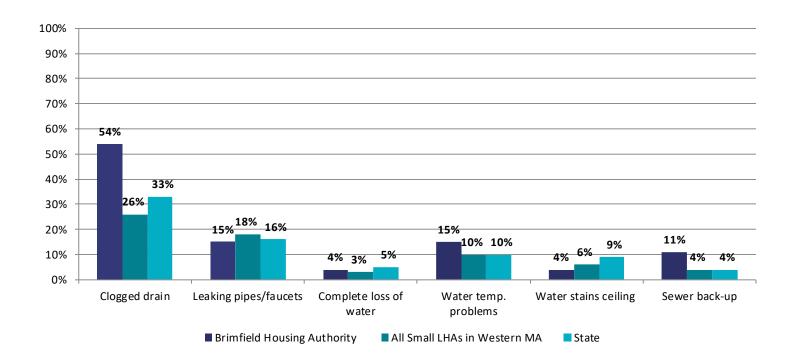
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• Other Water or Plumbing Problems

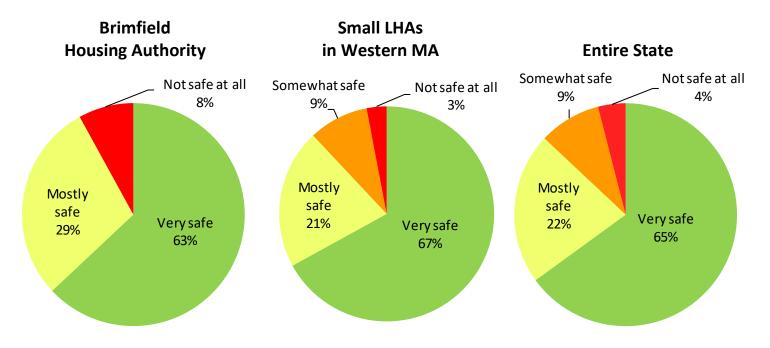
In the last 12 months did residents have other water or plumbing problems?

The chart below shows how many times respondents had other water or plumbing problems in the last 12 months.

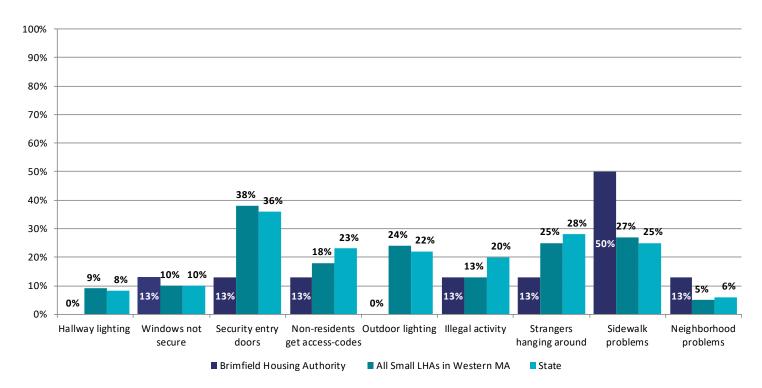


Safety

Respondents were asked how safe they felt in their development. The charts below show what percentage of residents said they felt "very safe", "mostly" safe, "somewhat safe", or "not safe at all" in their development in the last 12 months.

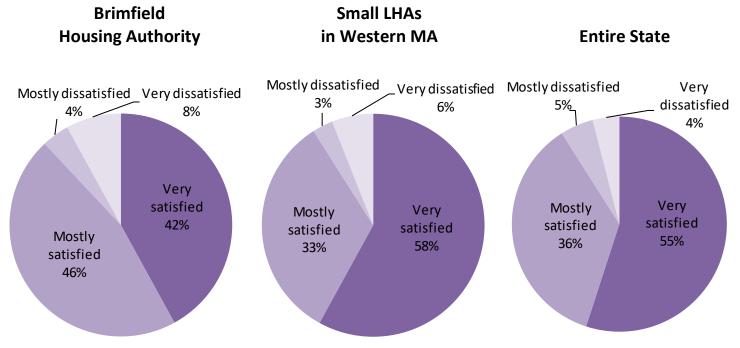


Reasons why respondents felt unsafe in their development: Respondents were asked why they felt unsafe in their development. This chart shows what specific concerns respondents mentioned.



Overall Satisfaction

Respondents were asked about their overall satisfaction living in their development. The chart below shows what percentage of people said they were "very satisfied", "mostly satisfied", "mostly dissatisfied", or "very dissatisfied".



BRIMFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY

Performance Management Review (PMR) Report

Fiscal Year End 12/31/2019

*For a detailed report of the Performance Management Review (PMR), please contact the Local Housing Authority

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD) PMR Desk Audit Ratings Summary For a detailed report of the Performance Management Review (PMR), please contact the Local Housing Authority					
Housing Authority		Bri	mfield Housing Authority	r	
Fiscal Year Ending			12/31/2019		
Housing Management Specialist			Evelyn Muasya		
Facilities Management Specialist		Bruce Budrick			
Criteria Score/Rating					
	Management				
	c.667	c.705	c.200	Cumulative	
Occupancy Rate	No Findings	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	No Findings	
	c.667	c.705	c.200	Cumulative	
Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR)	No Findings	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	No Findings	
Board Member Training	Operational Guidance				
Certifications and Reporting Submissions Operational Guidance					
	Financial				
Adjusted Net Income	Operational Guidance				
Operating Reserves		No Fi	ndings		

PMR Capital Benchmarks for LHA Fiscal Year 2019

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD) PMR Fiscal Year 2019 For a detailed report of the Performance Management Review (PMR), please contact the Local Housing Authority		
Criteria Score/Rating		
	Capital	
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Submitted	No Findings	
Capital Spending	Operational Guidance	

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LHA Brimfield Housing Authority

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	Occupancy
Rating All: Rating 667: Rating 200: Rating 705:	No Findings No Findings Not Applicable Not Applicable
	Enter vacancies into system at least monthly and ensure that there are no duplicates. Reach out to HMS if accidental duplicates occur.
	Use online vacancy system, see user guide if need help. All vacancies must be reported; and quarterly certifications must be completed certifying all data is in system. Request waivers when applicable. Follow tenant selection best practices to improve vacancy turnover (pulling lists in CHAMP as soon as vacancy
	occurs and previewing list to prescreen in advance of vacancies as needed).
	Include unit turnovers in capital improvement plan.
	Engage in a management agreement or contract with private firms to help with heavy unit turnover.
	Review turnovers with staff weekly or biweekly to monitor status of vacant units.
	Develop plan for updating units with long term occupancy to limit turn over time at vacancy; family units may need consistent attentions o when lease up, condition is not affecting vacancy turnover time.
	Ensure that yearly inspection findings are addressed and address tenant damage/lease violations. Other:
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Rating:	Certifications and Reporting Submissions Operational Guidance
V	Submit all four quarterly vacancy certifications by the end of the month following the quarter end.
	Submit all four quarters of Tenants Accounts Receivables (TAR) application within 60 days of quarter end. Submit all four quarterly operating statements within 60 days of the quarter end.
	Schedule board meetings well in advance. Consider scheduling a backup date to ensure you are able to have your board vote/approval in time to meet reporting deadlines.
	Set a recurring appointment in your email calendar for help remembering reporting dates and deadlines. Other: Most of the late submissions occurred before the Management Agent took over operations.

	Adjusted Net Income/Revenue
Rating:	Operational Guidance
	Revenue:
	Update and adhere to rent collection policy
	Update marketing plan
7	Update internal policies related to vacant unit turnover
	Review rent roll to identify outstanding rents and/or patterns of rent delinquency.
	Review operating statements to identify trends in revenue collection such as LHA-wide or development- centered rent issues.
	Follow tenant selection best practices to improve vacancy turnover (pulling lists in CHAMP as soon as vacancy occurs and previewing list to prescreen in advance of vacancies as needed)
	Set up repayment agreements with tenants as soon as tenant becomes in arrears; do not let large balances accrue.
	Make it easier for tenants to pay rent. For example, consider online payments, lockboxes for night time drop- off or extended office hours
V	Review budget reports with both fee accountant/financial staff and your board to stay on top of revenue trends.
	Ensure rent determinations are completed regularly and are in adherence with DHCD policy

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	Expense:
	Salaries
	Monitor expenses throughout the year; over or underspending in certain budget lines, can be fixed by reducing or increasing other lines to ensure you stay within your ANUEL.
	Consider a reorganization of staff time/roles and improve processes.
	Hire temporary workers or offer overtime to current employees to pick up the workload of staff out on leave.
	Ensure your budget is in compliance with state and federal requirements regarding allocations. Legal
	Review and if needed revise tenant selection process, rent collection process and notice to quit process to reduce evictions/legal costs.
	Start tracking or better estimate eviction costs based on historical averages throughout the year. If legal costs for evictions are running higher than expected, reduce other budget lines to ensure you stay within your ANUEL.
	If you qualify, use DHCD's regional attorney program.
	Utilities
V	Use online resources such as WegoWise, MassEnergyInsight or software provided by your utility company to track and monitor utility usage. Review the usage monthly to look for unusual expenditures.
V	Weatherize units to improve insulation. Reach out to maintenance director or DHCD staff for more information.
J	Request a referral from your HMS to DHCD's sustainability coordinator if you are interested in saving money through the installation of low-flow toilets, showerheads, LED lights or other cost-savings, energy-efficient measures. DHCD frequently has incentive programs that pay for the procurement and installation of energy and water saving appliances and tools at your LHA.
	Ensure that you have an air conditioner policy that precludes a/c being in windows out of season/enforce policy if already in place. <i>Maintenance</i>
	Develop or update your preventive maintenance, deferred maintenance and routine maintenance plans and review monthly with maintenance staff.
	Develop or update your procurement and purchasing policies and review with staff.
	Develop a system to schedule and track preventive maintenance, reach out to your facilities management specialist for assistance.
	If contractor costs are high, see if your current maintenance team can complete the work or if it is possible to contract with a tradesman.
	Consider bulk purchasing for supplies and shop around for the best deals.
	Consider investing (through purchase or maintenance) in equipment that may reduce hours spent on maintenance (such as a snow blower to reduce time shoveling).
J	Other: Although there is improvement in the rating of this category from the previous year, the housing authority overspent its budget. We recommend that spending be maintained within BHA's bottom line. Review PHN 2019-01 for additional guidance on this criteria.

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	Operating Reserve
Rating:	No Findings
	Please refer to PHN 2018-04 and current budget guidelines for information on operating reserve
	An LHA may spend down to 35% of maximum reserve level without consulting DHCD, but the LHA must budget these expenses in the correct line items of their annual operating budget. If the expense occurred after DHCD approval of the annual operating budget, the LHA should submit a budget revision with these expenditures.
	Any expenditures from the operating reserve that will result in a projected operating reserve of less than 35% of maximum reserve level, requires <i>prior written approval</i> from DHCD, <i>unless the expenses are to resolve health and safety issues</i> .
	Each LHA must maintain a projected operating reserve of 20% of maximum reserve level, which <i>remains the minimum operating reserve level for all LHAs.</i>
	Other: Although BHA had a 'No Finding' rating in this category, it should be noted that the Operating Reserves were at 37% at the fiscal year end. Review PHN 2019-01 and 2018-04 for the Operating Reserves minimum threshold.

	Board Member Training
Rating:	Operational Guidance
	Ensure you update the board attendance application with the most recent board members, and their term dates.
	Ensure each board member has a unique email for the board member training.
	Provide computer guidance as needed to help board members complete the training.
V	Other: Two out of five Board members have not completed the Board member online training. 80% of Board members need to be trained. Review PHN 2019-01: Revisions to PMR Criteria for 1st Publishing Year, for additional guidance on this criteria.



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Equal Housing Opportunity

PMR REVIEW FYE: December 31, 2019

The Brimfield Housing Authority has been under new management since May 2019. Many of the deficiencies of the previous year have been addressed and I feel that significant improvements have been made since the last review. A rent collection policy has been adopted and tenants with outstanding balances have entered into repayment agreements. Receivables have drastically reduced.

Certification and Reporting Submissions

All four quarters of Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR), Vacancy Reporting and Quarterly Operating Statements will be submitted within the required filing dates each quarter.

Adjusted Net Income/Revenue

A budget revision was prepared to address the deficiencies. It was unable to be submitted until the end of November due to the required signature of all board members. Upon review of the approved budget revision, it appears that the finding of Operational Guidance is based on the original budget not the revised budget.

Board Member Training

Guidance has been given to board members regarding mandatory training.