

## Overview and Certification

# Falmouth Housing Authority

## Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2023

### 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 LHA Board of Commissioners; 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 Board 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 Falmouth Housing Authority's Annual Plan for their 2023 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. Public Comments and LHA Responses
  - b. Cover sheet for tenant satisfaction surveys
  - c. Tenant Satisfaction Survey 667 Program
  - d. Performance Management Review

**Overview and Certification****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.

<b>Dev No</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Development Name</b>	<b>Num Bldgs</b>	<b>Year Built</b>	<b>Dwelling Units</b>
667-01	Elderly	MAYFLOWER 667-01	4	1956	24
667-02	Elderly	SALT SEA 667-02	7	1960	30
	Family	Family units in smaller developments	25		25
	Other	Special Occupancy units	1		8
<b>Total</b>			<b>37</b>		<b>87</b>

**Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP)**

The Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP) is a state-funded program that provides rental subsidies to low-income families and individuals. In most cases, a “mobile” voucher is issued to the household, which is valid for any market-rate housing unit that meets the standards of the state sanitary code and program rent limitations. In some cases, vouchers are “project-based” into a specific housing development; such vouchers remain at the development if the tenant decides to move out.

Falmouth Housing Authority manages 38 MRVP vouchers.

**Federally Assisted Developments**

Falmouth Housing Authority also manages Federally-assisted public housing developments and/or federal rental subsidy vouchers serving 807 households.

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LHA Board of Commissioners

	<u>Role</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Patricia Favulli	Chair		05/15/2021	07/31/2021
Michael Galasso	Member		05/24/2021	05/26/2026
Kathleen Haynes	Member	Federal Tenant Rep	09/13/2021	06/30/2026
Robert Mascali	Member		10/28/2019	05/20/2025
Stephen Patton	Treasurer		05/27/2019	05/27/2024

Plan History

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

	<u>REQUIREMENT</u>	<u>DATE COMPLETED</u>
A.	Advertise the public hearing on the LHA website.	03/04/2022
B.	Advertise the public hearing in public postings.	03/04/2022
C.	Notify all LTO's and RAB, if there is one, of the hearing and provide access to the Proposed Annual Plan.	N/A
D.	Post draft AP for tenant and public viewing.	03/04/2022
E.	Hold quarterly meeting with LTO or RAB to review the draft AP. (Must 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. (For Boston, the Administrator will host the hearing.)	04/19/2022
G.	Executive Director presents the Annual Plan to the Board.	04/19/2022
H.	Board votes to approve the AP. (For Boston Housing Authority, the Administrator approves and submits the AP.)	04/19/2022

## Certification

### CERTIFICATION OF LHA USER AUTHORIZATION FOR DHCD CAPITAL SOFTWARE AND HOUSING APPLICATIONS

I, Bobbi Richards, Executive Director of the Falmouth Housing Authority, certify on behalf of the Housing Authority that I have conducted an annual review of all Falmouth Housing Authority users of DHCD Capital Software applications and Housing Applications and that all current LHA users are authorized to use the systems and have the appropriate level of user access based on their job responsibility. I approve all system access and access levels for all Falmouth Housing Authority users.

This certification applies to the following applications:

- Capital Planning System (CPS)
- Consolidated Information Management System (CIMS)
- Cap Hub
- DHCD Housing Management Systems

### CERTIFICATION FOR SUBMISSION OF THE ANNUAL PLAN

I, Bobbi Richards, Executive Director of the Falmouth Housing Authority, certify on behalf of the Housing Authority that: a) the above actions all took place on the dates listed above; b) all facts and information contained in this Annual Plan are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and c) that the Annual Plan was prepared in accordance with and meets the requirements of the regulations at 760 CMR 4.16 and 6.09.

Date of certification: 04/28/2022

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The Board and Executive Director further certify that LHA operations and all LHA Board-adopted policies are in accordance with M.G.L. c. 121B and all Massachusetts state-aided public housing regulations, including, but not limited to 760 CMR 4.00; 5.00; 6.00; 8.00; and 11:00, as well as adhere to Department-promulgated guidance.

Date of certification: 04/28/2022

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 approval.

**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.

## 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)	\$437,268.23		Total of all FF awards minus prior FF spending
LHA Emergency Reserve	\$43,726.82		Amount to reserve for emergencies
Net FF Funds (First 3 Years of the CIP)	\$393,541.41	\$391,338.69	Funds to plan & amount actually planned in the first 3 years of the CIP
ADA Set-aside	\$4,873.71	\$4,873.71	Accessibility projects
DMH Set-aside	\$52,947.90	\$52,947.90	Dept. of Mental Health facility
DDS Set-aside	\$0.00	\$0.00	Dept. of Developmental Services facility
Unrestricted Formula Funding (FF)	\$335,719.80	\$333,517.08	Funds awarded by DHCD to be used on projects selected by the LHA and approved by DHCD.
Special DHCD Funding	\$139,548.86	\$139,548.86	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 or town for specific projects.
Operating Reserve(OR) Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	Funds from the LHA's operating budget.
Other Funds	\$123,255.00	\$123,255.00	Funds other than those in the above categories. See explanation below.
Total funds and planned spending	\$656,345.27	\$654,142.55	Total of all anticipated funding available for planned projects and the total of planned spending.

**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.



**Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)****Regional Capital Assistance Team**

Falmouth 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	Remaining Planned for 2022	fy2023 Planned	fy2024	fy2025	fy2026	fy2027
096027	2008 FF Master CFA	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096065	FF: 466 Brick Kiln New Septic	BRICK KILN ROAD 705-O	\$83,620	\$77,255	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096069	Reasonable Accom Ramp for Scooter	SALT SEA 667-02	\$7,305	\$0	\$1,238	\$6,068	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096070	EMG Fix Fire Panel and Replace Smoke Detectors	BAYBERRY HOUSE 167-01	\$8,800	\$0	\$263	\$3,892	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096071	2 Vacant 705s	OAK STREET 705-L	\$263,517	\$60,830	\$202,687	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096072	Screen doors, bulkhead and window screens	BAYBERRY HOUSE 167-01	\$9,132	\$0	\$1,219	\$7,914	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096073	Emergency underground waterline replacement	JOHN PARKER ROAD 705-T	\$9,900	\$2,445	\$0	\$7,455	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096075	FF:Septic System Replacement	JAMIE LANE 705-P	\$64,171	\$49,873	\$1,925	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096077	Repair / Replace Existing A/C System	BAYBERRY HOUSE 167-01	\$42,160	\$0	\$1,250	\$40,911	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096078	Boiler and HW Heater Replacement - LEAN project	MAYFLOWER 667-1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096080	Door Hardware Upgrade ADA	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$5,250	\$0	\$415	\$4,836	\$0	\$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	Remaining Planned for 2022	fy2023 Planned	fy2024	fy2025	fy2026	fy2027
096081	Replace Flooring	MADELINE ROAD 705-D	\$27,720	\$0	\$0	\$27,720	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096083	EMG Waste Pipe Repairs	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$4,677	\$0	\$307	\$4,371	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096084	EMG Water Heater Replacement-Bldg. A	SALT SEA 667-02	\$5,121	\$0	\$336	\$4,786	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096085	Vacant Unit Turnover	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$25,292	\$0	\$19,161	\$6,132	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096086	Vacant Unit Turnover	Pinecrest Beach Drive	\$100,126	\$0	\$18,247	\$81,880	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096087	Mold Remediation Salt Sea #1	SALT SEA 667-02	\$9,831	\$0	\$1,666	\$8,166	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096088	Plumbing Repairs & Disaster Clean Up	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$10,715	\$0	\$1,430	\$9,286	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096089	Tree Pruning and Large Limb Removal	EDGEWATER DRIVE WEST 705-H	\$11,344	\$0	\$1,922	\$9,423	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
•	Window Replacement (Choate Ln.)	MAYFLOWER 667-01	\$221,708	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,601
•	New Windows (Salt Sea)	SALT SEA 667-02	\$334,329	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,966	\$193,282	\$138,082	\$0
•	Roof Replacement Project	MEREDITH DRIVE 705-A	\$39,997	\$0	\$39,997	\$0	\$0	\$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	Remaining Planned for 2022	fy2023 Planned	fy2024	fy2025	fy2026	fy2027
•	Vacant Unit Rehab 130 Edgewater West	EDGEWATER DRIVE WEST 705-H	\$123,255	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
•	Kitchen Rehab Project	ASHTON AVENUE 705-I	\$39,915	\$0	\$38,351	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
•	Siding, Windows & Door Replacement	MILTON STREET 705-N	\$101,604	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$101,604
•	Replace Septic System-Windswept	WINDSWEPT DRIVE 705-W	\$31,037	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

FUNDS IN ADDITION TO ANNUAL FORMULA FUNDING AWARD

Cap Hub Project Number	Project Name	DHCD Special Award Comment	Special DHCD Awards				Other Funding			
			Emergency Reserve	Compliance Reserve	Sustainability	Special Awards	CDBG	CPA	Operating Reserve	Other Funds
096069	Reasonable Accom Ramp for Scooter	HP ramp	\$0	\$7,305	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096071	2 Vacant 705s	vacant unit rehab	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096083	EMG Waste Pipe Repairs	Emergency pipe waste repairs	\$4,677	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096084	EMG Water Heater Replacement-Bldg . A	Hot water heater replacement	\$5,121	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096085	Vacant Unit Turnover	vacant unit repairs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,157	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
096086	Vacant Unit Turnover	vacant unit repairs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,298	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
•	Vacant Unit Rehab 130 Edgewater West		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$123,255

## **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.

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

- Projected spending on projects currently in bidding or construction exceeds Cap Share in one or more years of the CIP.
- The TDC for a proposed project exceeds the Cap Share for a single year and it doesn't make sense to spread it
- We have urgent projects that require excess spending in year 1 or 2.

This LHA continues to have several urgent high priority projects that do not fit the plan and as a result are spread across multiple years as well as projects that are currently in bidding or construction that exceed cap shares for the given year.

### **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.

Falmouth Housing Authority has not requested additional funding.

### **3. Overall goals of the Housing Authority's CIP**

The main goal for this LHA is to address window replacement projects at 667-1 and 667-2. Due to funding constraints, window replacement for 667-1 sits in years 2027 and 2028 and Window replacement for 662-2 sits in 2025 and 2026.

**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:

This plan includes two urgent high priority window replacement projects at 667-1 and 667-2. This LHA has received citations from the local BOH for the conditions and replacement is necessary to correct the cited issues. The two projects have been added to the plan and spread across the outer years in order to fit in the plan.

**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 02/11/2022.

**7. Capital Planning System (CPS) updates**

Falmouth Housing Authority has not completed CPS updates. Our plan going forward is as follows:

Current condition assessment unable to be completed at this time due to COVID-19 restrictions. We are planning to schedule a formal needs assessment when it is safe to do so.

**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:

Two window replacement projects have been added to the plan but had to be spread across the outer years in order to fit the plan.

**10. Accessibility**

We have identified the following accessibility deficiencies in our portfolio:

There are no accessible units in this LHA's portfolio. FHA has a selected project in its plan to covert a unit at the 667 to be ADA accessible, however this project had to be pushed to outer years to address more urgent high priority projects.

We have incorporated the following projects in our CIP to address accessibility deficiencies: Project #096-667-02-0-18-409 "Convert Unit to be ADA Accessible" remains in this years plan.

**11. Special needs development**

Falmouth Housing Authority has one or more special needs (167 or 689 programs) development. We have completed the service provider input process according to the required procedures detailed in the lease agreement and held an annual meeting with the service provider staff at all special needs developments as of 12/07/2021.

**12. Energy and water consumption**

Our 12 most recent monthly energy reports are for months 4/2020 to 3/2021.

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.

	<b>Electric PUM &gt; Threshold</b>	<b>Gas PUM &gt; Threshold</b>	<b>Oil PUM &gt; Threshold</b>	<b>Water PUM &gt; Threshold</b>
Threshold PUM:	\$100	\$80	\$50	\$60

No developments exceed threshold values.

**13. Energy or water saving initiatives**

Falmouth Housing Authority is currently pursuing energy or water-saving audits or grants as note Yes. Planned Lean Audit for 689; for 667's replaced aerators, showers, sealed air leakage areas th MassSave;

Seeking hot water and boiler replacements through Rise Engineering to save costs.

AP-2023-Falmouth Housing Authorit-00515 had an energy audit under the Low-Income Energy Affordability Network (LEAN) program on 02/01/2022



#### **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%)

20% c. 705 (DHCD Goal 2%)

Falmouth Housing Authority will address the excess vacancies in the following manner:  
This housing authority is experiencing a high number of vacancies and are working with maintenance to resolve as quickly as possible. FHA has experienced an unusually high number of deaths and transitions to higher levels of care; units have not been reconditioned in 20+ years; are short staffed (1 person on workers comp); currently seeking a maintenance superintendent; working with RCAT to turn 2-705 units and 2-667 units due to staff capacity.

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.
    - o **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.

<b>METHOD</b>	<b>CONTACT INFO.</b>	<b>TIMES</b>
Call Answering Service	508-548-1977	24 Hrs. will page on-call maintenance
Call LHA at Phone Number	508-548-1977 x223	M-F 8:30AM - 4:30PM

The emergency response system for the housing authority is:

- a. Call our main line (508-548-1977) and place a work order with our Maintenance Administrative Assistant or the Receptionist
- b. After hours, call our main line (508-548-1977) and select the option for emergencies; place a work order with our answering service. The on-call maintenance staff will be contacted and will respond to the call.

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 Falmouth Housing Authority main office.

<b>QUALIFYING EMERGENCY WORK REQUESTS</b>
Fires of any kind (Call 911)
Gas leaks/ Gas odor (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
Refrigerator and/or stove failure

**Normal Maintenance Request Process**

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

METHOD	CONTACT INFO.	TIMES
Text Phone Number		
Call Answering Service	508-548-1977	24 Hrs. will page on-call maintenance
Call Housing Authority Office	508-548-1977 x223	M-F 8:30AM - 4:30PM
Submit Online at Website		
Email to Following Email		
Other		

*The normal maintenance response is immediate if emergency; if not emergency but can be accomplished quickly, the work order is completed within 48 hours. Our goal for tasks requiring a particular skill set and/or considerable time involved are scheduled to be completed within 30 days.*

**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: PHAWeb

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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	Maintenance Requests logged into the work system	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Work Orders generated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Work Orders assigned	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Work Orders tracked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Work Orders completed/closed out	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Maintenance Reports or Lists generated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

D. Additional comments by the LHA regarding work order management:

The housing authority uses the PHA-WEB online-based system for its work orders.

**Maintenance Plan Narrative**

Following are Falmouth 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?

(The full answer to this question exceeds the allotted number of characters in this box. Please refer to attachment named "Maintenance Operations Assessment" below.)

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

To assist in the daily janitorial and light maintenance duties, and to provide assistance due to a full-time maintenance staff being out a majority of the year associated with injury/illness, FHA has incorporated the use of a temporary team member through an outside staffing agency. This has allowed the skilled maintenance team to prioritize other maintenance duties. The Maintenance Administrative Clerk continues to be trained on updating systems documentation, and the scheduling of work order repairs, inspections, and customer service follow up calls. The administrative management team has continued to assist the maintenance department in the procurement of materials, supplies and aging equipment to better provide services to FHA’s tenants.

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

The goals of FHA are two-fold; realize a reduction in vacancies and an increase in funded projects, from the many unfunded projects listed with DHCD, for FHA’s state-wide portfolio. FHA plans to hire a full-time maintenance person to work only on federal properties; this will provide additional hours for other staff to focus on the state-wide portfolio. FHA plans to hire a skilled maintenance superintendent to lead the maintenance department positively into the future.

**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	\$162,822.00	\$56,808.00
Last Fiscal Year Actual Spending	\$161,668.00	\$51,934.00
Current Fiscal Year Budget	\$0.00	\$0.00

**E. Unit Turnover Summary**

# Turnovers Last Fiscal Year	6
Average time from date vacated to make Unit "Maintenance Ready"	240 days
Average time from date vacated to lease up of unit	274 days

**Attachments**

These items have been prepared by the Falmouth 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.

# Maintenance Operations Assessment

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## **Question A. How would you assess your Maintenance Operations based on feedback you've received from staff, tenants, DHCD and any other sources?**

It is undeniable that COVID, more than any other factor, has adversely impacted our maintenance operations. In the last year, the Falmouth Housing Authority (FHA) has seen over 40 vacancies across its entire portfolio due to the unusually high number of tenant mortality or elevation to a higher level of care. The additional workload, comprised of unit turns and refurbishment of aging units, severely taxed FHA's maintenance team and required FHA to manage unusually prolonged unit turn timeframes. Delays due to probate/estate issues and staff capacity have been challenging to streamline; this effort is ongoing. FHA's portfolio-wide (state and federal unit) vacancies have created a negative perception, both in local media, in communications with/from DHCD, and amongst our internal staff. Separately, the focus on emergency-only work orders under COVID protocols required by the State have created a backlog of general routine work orders to be completed. The Management team has forced a top-level historical and current unit review to examine the condition, age, and planned (or lack of planned) reconditioning of the units and building systems; including the 705 portfolios which appear to have the most extreme needs in the portfolio. The inclusion of a third-party inspection company, rather than to continue to rely on in-house inspections, has brought to light a number of issues that were not prioritized in the past. This additional objective oversight and documentation of historical conditions related to the systems/equipment at each site has allowed FHA to be in a better position to present its capital needs to DHCD, its tenants and the community. Systems equipment (such as boilers), plumbing pipes, heat registers, ventilation, flooring, windows, cabinetry and appliances continue to exceed their estimated life expectancy; a reconditioning plan, that resulted in replacement of certain unit (or building) conditions, does not appear to have been set by previous management administrations. Tenants are justifiably frustrated and FHA shares their concerns as it continues to fight for adequate funding to improve its units.

There are growing concerns regarding FHA's lack of handicap accessible housing. Tenants frequently request accommodations that were not planned for in the original design of the uniquely small units featured in the 667 portfolio; in fact, although there are 25-705 units, FHA has no units that are ADA accessible. Ramp installations at the entryways to 667 units and its community/laundry rooms have become a frequent request. It has been suggested that, based on the age of the developments, such installations may require the review of a structural engineer. FHA's request for an ADA unit to be added on a 667 development, perhaps a modular unit that allows for a live-in aid, remains on its unfunded list of DHCD projects.

However, with challenge comes opportunity. FHA has augmented staff and facilitated unit turns by engaging local contractors wherever possible. Although this action drew adverse attention from DHCD, it achieved positive results through the modernization of FHA's aging stock and supplemented the outstanding work of our staff. Additionally, we have implemented better controls over a number of processes, including inspections, procurement and tracking of work orders. FHA has successfully petitioned HUD for an extension of time and emergency funding to complete the major plumbing repairs at the federal sites; thus allowing for the maintenance team to focus on state-funded needs assessments, and certain funded capital improvements for the state units. Unit turns remain a challenge and FHA is actively working with DHCD and voicing concerns within its local community to recognize our emphasis on providing modernized units to our applicants and current tenants. FHA continues to seek creative strategies to address funding short falls to preserve its stock of affordable public housing units.





**Preventive Maintenance Schedule and Checklist**

**LHA NAME: Falmouth Housing Authority**

**DEVELOPMENTS: 667's: Mayflower/Choate & Salt Sea;  
Scattered 705s (as applicable)**

**Buildings & Grounds Preventive Maintenance**

<b>TASK</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>By</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>
<b>Trash / Recycling Room</b>														
Clean, mop floor, wash out containers	Weekly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cans (Trash / Recycle) - Regular pickup	Bi-Weekly / Weekly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Landscaping</b>														
Aerate lawn/overseed/top dress with compost	Annually	Staff/Vendor				X								
Mulch landscape beds	Annually	Staff				X								
Shrubs, Trees (remove broken, dead, deformed branches)	As needed / Seasonal	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Remove weeds (don't let weeds go to seed)	As needed / Seasonal	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Protect Shrubs (winter)	Seasonally											X	X	
<b>Pest / Disease</b> - Monitor, Integrated Pest Mgmt & Natural Gardening. DON'T use products harmful to environment	Monthly	Staff/Vendor				X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
<b>Watering/Irrigation</b> - soak (dry out before watering again)	Weekly / Seasonal	Staff				X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Lawn Mowing	Seasonal	Staff				X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Trim Hedges	Seasonal	Staff				X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
<b>Irrigation System</b>														
Spring (Start) / Fall (Shutdown) - blow out lines	Annually	Vendor					X					X		
<b>Grounds</b>														
<b>Signage</b> - inspect, clean, repair as needed	Monthly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Walks, Paving, Curbs</b> - monitor, clean, repair as needed	Monthly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Parking Lot</b> - Monitor condition, clean and reseal as needed	Annually	Staff / Vendor									X			
<b>Fence</b> - monitor condition, clean and repaint as needed	As needed / Annually	Staff					X							

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**Mechanical, Electrical Systems Preventive Maintenance**

HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning)														
TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FURNACE, AHU - Filter Changing / Cleaning, Service	Annually	Staff / Vendor					X							
FCU, Window AC Filters, Duct Cleaning - Clean, Replace as needed	Bi-Annually	Staff					X						X	
Air Source Heat Pumps - Check Oil	Monthly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Co-Gen System	Bi-Annually	Vendor					X						X	
<b>Water system</b>														
Test / Check Water Temperatures	Bi-Annually / Annually	Staff					X					X		
Lubricate valves and pumps	Bi-Annually	Vendor					X					X		
Clean, Test integrity, Change Washers	Annually	Staff / Vendor									X			
Test pressure	Weekly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Plumbing</b>														
Toilets - check for leaks, running water	Annually	Staff						X						
Faucets and shut-offs - check for leaks, drips	Annually	Staff						X						
Boilers/HW Tanks - Inspect, service	Annually	Staff / Vendor											X	
<b>Fire Sprinklers</b>														
Inspect, Test Backflow	Annually	Vendor									X			
<b>Sanitary system</b>														
Clean, Lubricate valves and pumps	Bi-Annually	Vendor					X					X		
Replace toilet mechanism	Every 5yrs	Staff / Vendor									X			
Test system integrity	Annually	Staff / Vendor									X			
Septic Maintenance	As Needed	Vendor					X	X	X	X	X	X		
<b>Storm drain system</b>														
Gutters	Annually	Staff / Vendor									X	X		
<b>Electrical system</b>														
Tighten connections in transformers and junctions	As Needed	Vendor	Recommended by DHCD's Handbook.											
Clean, Test	As Needed	Vendor	However, if this was never performed, then it should be performed by licensed EC after an infrared test by a Testing Company											
<b>Fire Alarms</b>														
System (Hardwired) - Clean, Test	Annually	Vendor							X					
Fire Extinguishers - Test, Recharge, Replace (if necessary)	Annually	Vendor					X							

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**Mechanical, Electrical Systems Preventive Maintenance**

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Emergency Lighting (Not on Generator)</b>														
Recharge batteries	Annually	Staff							X					
Test	Monthly / Quarterly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>ALL Light Fixtures</b>														
Lighting - clean fixtures, replace lamps as needed	As Needed	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Security systems</b>														
Test system - Locks for Laundry/Community Room	Monthly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Elevator system</b>														
Test lights	Monthly	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mechanical - professional service contract	Quarterly / Annually	Vendor			X			X			X			X

**Dwelling Unit Preventive Maintenance**

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Heat and smoke detectors</b>														
Battery Heat / Smoke Detectors - Test, Change batteries	Annually										X			
Test hardwired detectors (with System)	Annually										X			
<b>Pest control</b>														
Notify Residents, Install Chemicals	Monthly / As Needed	Vendor	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Floors</b>														
Refinish floors	At Turnover / As Needed													
<b>Ceilings</b>														
Refinish	At Turnover / As Needed													
<b>Walls</b>														
Refinish	At Turnover / As Needed													
Recaulk (kitchen and bath)	At Turnover / As Needed													
<b>Kitchen fixtures</b>														
KITCHEN - Clean Range, Microwave, Refrigerator	Annually										X			
GAS STOVE - Valve and line cleaning	Annually	Vendor									X			
UNIT APPLIANCES - clean interior and exterior, vacuum under and behind	Annually	Resident Staff						X						
<b>HVAC fixtures</b>														
Air Source Heat Pumps - Vacuum, Clean Condenser	Annually	Staff										X		
Unit Forced Hot Water - Check for Air locks, Bleed	Annually	Staff / Vendor									X	X		
Unit Electrical Baseboard - Vacuum around fins	Annually	Resident										X		
Unit Forced Hot Air - Vacuum Vents	Annually	Resident										X		
Unit Bathroom Fans - Inspect, Vacuum, Clean covers	Annually	Resident						X						

**Preventive Maintenance Schedule and Checklist**

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**DEVELOPMENTS: 667's: Mayflower/Choate & Salt Sea;  
Scattered 705s (as applicable)**

**Machine Preventive Maintenance**

**Automobile**

TASK	Frequency	By	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Lubricate, Change Filters	Per Manufacturers Recommendations	Vendor										X		
Change tires	Annually (Varies)	Vendor												
Replace brakes, other fixed life parts	Per Manufacturers Recommendations	Vendor										X		
Change brushes on sweepers	Annually (Varies)	Vendor												
Annual Sticker (Vehicles, Trailers)	Annually (Varies)	Vendor												

**Small Engines**

<b>ALL WORK</b> by Service Contract	Per Manufacturers Recommendations	Vendor										X		
<b>OIL</b> - Check Level , Change, Replace Filter	Per Manufacturers Recommendations	Staff										X		
<b>Air Filter</b> - Replace Foam/Paper Air cleaner	Per Manufacturers Recommendations (OR Every Season)	Staff										X		
Replace Spark Plug, In-line Fuel Filter	Per Manufacturers Recommendations (OR Every 100 Hrs)	Staff										X		
Prep Work Season Start, Season End)	Bi-Annually	Staff			X							X		
Snow Removal and Sanding Equipment	Annually	Staff/Vendor										X		

## Falmouth Housing Authority Deferred Work Order Report

Filter Criteria Includes: 1) Project: (20) 667-1 Mayflower/Choate Lane, 2) Deferred Type: All Types, 3) Deferred Note: N/A, 4) Completed: All

Work Order Number	Completed Date/Time	Deferred Note	Deferred Type
47751	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47752	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47753	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47754	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47755	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47757	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47758	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47759	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47760	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47761	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47762	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47763	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan

*End of Report*

## Falmouth Housing Authority Deferred Work Order Report

Filter Criteria Includes: 1) Project: (20) 667-2 Salt Sea, 2) Deferred Type: All Types, 3) Deferred Note: N/A, 4) Completed: All

<b>Work Order Number</b>	<b>Completed Date/Time</b>	<b>Deferred Note</b>	<b>Deferred Type</b>
46533	9/22/2020 12:00 AM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47764	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47765	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47766	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan
47767	9/22/2020 3:00 PM	Windows Repl-State Unfunded Portfolio Project	Deferred Maintenance Plan

*End of Report*

# Falmouth Housing Authority Deferred Work Order Report

Filter Criteria Includes: 1) Project: Bayberry-61 Rose Morin Drive W/O, 2) Deferred Type: All Types, 3) Deferred Note: N/A, 4) Completed: All

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Work Order Number	Completed Date/Time	Deferred Note	Deferred Type
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No information for selected criteria.

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# Falmouth Housing Authority Deferred Work Order Report

Filter Criteria Includes: 1) Project: (30) 705-State Family Housing, 2) Deferred Type: All Types, 3) Deferred Note: N/A, 4) Completed: All

<b>Work Order Number</b>	<b>Completed Date/Time</b>	<b>Deferred Note</b>	<b>Deferred Type</b>
47514	8/20/2020 3:00 PM	Delayed due to COVID; contractor for March 2022	Deferred Maintenance Plan

*End of Report*

### 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 06/30/2021. It also shows the approved budget for the current year (2022) 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 Falmouth Housing Authority operating reserve at the end of fiscal year 2021 was \$79,821.00, which is 27.8% of the full reserve amount defined above.

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Falmouth Housing Authority.						
<b>REVENUE</b>						
Account Number	Account Class	2021 Approved Revenue Budget	2021 Actual Amounts Received	2022 Approved Revenue Budget	% Change from 2021 Actual to 2022 Budget	2022 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month
3110	Shelter Rent - Tenants	\$341,316.00	\$374,963.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3111	Shelter Rent - Tenants - Fraud/Retroactive	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
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	\$150.00	\$371.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3611	Interest on Investments - Restricted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3690	Other Revenue	\$23,000.00	\$21,880.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3691	Other Revenue - Retained	\$1,750.00	\$5,776.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3692	Other Revenue - Operating Reserves	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3693	Other Revenue - Energy Net Meter	\$0.00	\$2,367.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
3801	Operating Subsidy - DHCD (4001)	\$142,619.00	\$99,567.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
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	\$508,835.00	\$504,924.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Falmouth Housing Authority.						
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Account Number	Account Class	2021 Approved Expense Budget	2021 Actual Amounts Spent	2022 Approved Expense Budget	% Change from 2021 Actual to 2022 Budget.	2022 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month
4110	Administrative Salaries	\$86,490.00	\$72,082.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4120	Compensated Absences	\$0.00	\$3,510.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4130	Legal	\$1,953.00	\$2,228.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4140	Members Compensation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4150	Travel & Related Expenses	\$200.00	\$53.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4170	Accounting Services	\$6,704.00	\$6,504.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4171	Audit Costs	\$8,090.00	\$8,092.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4180	Penalties & Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4190	Administrative Other	\$15,206.00	\$30,458.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4191	Tenant Organization	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4100	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$118,643.00	\$122,927.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4310	Water	\$14,762.00	\$12,771.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4320	Electricity	\$26,623.00	\$28,061.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4330	Gas	\$31,841.00	\$31,858.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4340	Fuel	\$2,141.00	\$1,962.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4360	Net Meter Utility Debit/Energy Conservation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4390	Other	\$22,004.00	\$23,791.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4391	Solar Operator Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4392	Net Meter Utility Credit (Negative Amount)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4300	TOTAL UTILITIES	\$97,371.00	\$98,443.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Falmouth Housing Authority.						
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Account Number	Account Class	2021 Approved Expense Budget	2021 Actual Amounts Spent	2022 Approved Expense Budget	% Change from 2021 Actual to 2022 Budget	2022 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month
4410	Maintenance Labor	\$92,047.00	\$71,713.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4420	Materials & Supplies	\$26,173.00	\$23,120.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4430	Contract Costs	\$44,602.00	\$66,835.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4400	TOTAL MAINTENANCE	\$162,822.00	\$161,668.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4510	Insurance	\$26,055.00	\$23,662.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4520	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4540	Employee Benefits	\$76,423.00	\$80,547.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4541	Employee Benefits - GASB 45	\$0.00	\$-42,570.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4542	Pension Expense - GASB 68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4570	Collection Loss	\$0.00	\$17,714.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
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	\$102,478.00	\$79,353.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4610	Extraordinary Maintenance	\$56,808.00	\$51,934.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4611	Equipment Purchases - Non Capitalized	\$8,166.00	\$16,874.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
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	\$75,963.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4600	TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$64,974.00	\$144,771.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4000	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$546,288.00	\$607,162.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00

Consolidated Budget (400-1) for all state-aided 667 (Elderly), 200 (family), and 705 (scattered site family) developments owned by Falmouth Housing Authority.						
<b>SUMMARY</b>						
Account Number	Account Class	2021 Approved Budget	2021 Actual Amounts	2022 Approved Budget	% Change from 2021 Actual to 2022 Budget	2022 Dollars Budgeted per Unit per Month
3000	TOTAL REVENUE	\$508,835.00	\$504,924.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
4000	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$546,288.00	\$607,162.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
2700	NET INCOME (DEFICIT)	\$-37,453.00	\$-102,238.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00
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	\$-37,453.00	\$-102,238.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00

## Explanation of Budget Accounts

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

3110: 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.

3111: Shelter Rent – Tenants - Fraud/Retroactive: 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 re-payment 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.

3115: Shelter Rent - Section 8: 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.

3190: Non-Dwelling Rental: 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.

3400: Administrative Fee- MRVP/AHVP: This account should be credited with Administrative Fees to be received for the MRVP/AHVP Program. The MRVP/AHVP administrative fee is \$50.00 per unit per month, as of July 1, 2020.

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

3611: 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.

3690: 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..

3691: Other Revenue – Retained: This account should be credited with certain miscellaneous revenue to be retained 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 6/30/20, all deficit LHAs may keep 100% of the net meter credit savings, while they can keep 50% effective 7/1/2020.

3692: Other Revenue - Operating Reserves: 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.

3693: Other Revenue – Net Meter: This account should 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 6/30/20 all LHAs may retain 100% of their total net meter credit savings, and should report those savings as Other Revenue – Retained on line #3691. LHAs can keep 50% of savings effective 7/1/2020.

3801: 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.

3802: Operating Subsidy – MRVP/AHVP Landlords:

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.

3920: 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 property that has not been fully depreciated.

4110: 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.

4120: Compensated Absences: 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.).

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



4140: Compensation to Authority Members: 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.

4150: 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.

4170: Contractual Accounting Services: 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.

4171: 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.

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

4190: Administrative Other: 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.

4191: Tenant Organization: LTO Funding by the LHA. 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.

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

4320: Electricity: 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 electricity-generating 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.

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

4340: 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.

4360: Net Meter Utility Debit/Energy Conservation: This account is to be charged with costs incurred for energy conservation measures.

4390: Other Utilities: This account should be charged with the cost of utilities which are not provided for in accounts 4310 through 4360. In addition, for all quarterly or year-end operating statements 9/30/20 or later, and all budgets 6/30/21 or later, please use this line to record the total net meter credits earned as reported in Line 4392, MINUS the Solar Operator Costs reported in Line 4391, with the result expressed as a positive number. For example, if you reported -\$20,000 in Net Meter Utility Credits in Line 4392 and \$15,000 in Solar Operator Costs in Line 4391, you would subtract the \$15,000 reported on Line 4391 from the -\$20,000 reported on Line 4392, and post the remainder of \$5,000 on Line 4360, as a positive number. This number essentially represents the "net" savings the LHA earned from its net meter credit contract.

4391: Solar Operator Costs: 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.

4392: Net Meter Utility Credit (Negative Amount): 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.

4410: 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.

4420: 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.

4430: Contract Costs: 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.

4510: 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.

4540: 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.

4541: Employee Benefits - GASB 45: This line covers "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.

4542: Pension Expense – GASB 68: 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.

4570: 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.

4571: Collection Loss – Fraud/Retroactive: 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.

4580: 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.

4590: 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.

4610: 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.

4611: Equipment Purchases – Non-Capitalized: 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.

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

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

7520: 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.

7540: 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 2021 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 Falmouth 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: Paused due to COVID-19

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

Rating: Operational Guidance

Criterion: Completion of mandatory online board member training

Rating: No Findings

Criterion: Annual Plan Submitted - Annual Plan (AP) submitted on time

Rating: No Findings

### **Category: Financial**

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

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

Criterion: Current Operating Reserve as a percentage of total maximum reserve level.

Rating: Corrective Action

Reason: The reserves are below the required minimum level as required by DHCD

Response: FHA is reviewing its reserve level with its fee accountants and support from DHCD to address budget issues related to the reserve level.

### **Category: Capital Planning**

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

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

**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.

	<b>Number of violations cited</b>	<b>Number of violations corrected</b>
<b>Maintenance related violations</b>	0	0
<b>Tenant related violations</b>	0	0

**Category: Facility Management - Inspections**

Criterion: LHA Conducted 100% of the Unit Inspections.

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

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

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

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

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

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

Rating: Paused due to COVID-19

Criterion: Inspection work orders were completed within 30 calendar days from the date of inspection, OR if cannot 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: Paused due to COVID-19

**Category: Facility Management - Work Order System**

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

Rating: No Findings

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

Rating: No Findings

Criterion: Vacancy work orders identified, tracked and reportable.

Rating: No Findings

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

Rating: No Findings

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

Rating: No Findings

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

Rating: No Findings

Criterion: Requested work orders identified, tracked and reportable.

Rating: No Findings

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: Paused due to COVID-19

**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: No Findings



Explanation of PMR Criteria Ratings

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Management</b>	
Occupancy Rate	<p>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)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : Occupancy Rate is at or above 98%</li> <li>• Operational Guidance: Occupancy rate is at 95% up to 97.9%</li> <li>• Corrective Action: Adjusted occupancy rate is less than 95%</li> </ul>
Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR)	<p>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)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : At or below 2%</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance” : More than 2% , but less than 5%</li> <li>• “Corrective Action” : 5% or more</li> </ul>
Certifications and Reporting Submissions	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : At least 11 of the required 12 reports were submitted and at least 9 were submitted on time.</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance” : Less than 11 of the required 12 reports were submitted and/or less than 9 were submitted on time.</li> </ul>
Board Member Training	<p>Percentage of board members that have completed the mandatory online board member training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : 80% or more completed training</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance” : 60-79.9% completed training</li> <li>• “Corrective Action” : &lt;60 % completed training</li> </ul>
Annual Plan (AP) Submitted	<p>Housing authorities are required to submit an annual plan every year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” =Submitted on time</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance” =Up to 45 days late</li> <li>• “Corrective Action” =More than 45 days late</li> </ul>

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Financial</b>	
Adjusted Net Income	<p>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.</p> <p>Underspending Rating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : 0 to 9.9%</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: 10 to 14.9%</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: 15% or higher</li> </ul> <p>Overspending Rating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” : 0 to -4.9%</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: -5% to -9.9%</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: -10% or below</li> </ul>
Operating Reserves	<p>Current Operating Reserve as a percentage of total maximum reserve level. Appropriate reserve level is buffer against any unforeseen events or expenditures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” :35%+ of maximum operating reserve</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: 20% to 34.9% of maximum operating reserve</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: &lt;20% of maximum operating reserve</li> </ul>
<b>Capital Planning</b>	
Capital Spending	<p>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</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings” = at least 80%</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance” = At least 50%</li> <li>• “Corrective Action” = Less than 50%</li> </ul>

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	
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.
<b>Facility Management - Inspections</b>	
Unit Inspections Conducted	<p>Housing authorities are required to conduct inspections of all their occupied units at least once a year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "No Findings": 100 % of sampled units had inspections conducted once during the year</li> <li>• "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of sample units were inspected during the year</li> </ul>
Inspections Report	<p>Housing authorities are required to note all of the deficiencies found during inspections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "No Findings": 100 % of deficiencies are noted on inspection report</li> <li>• "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of deficiencies are noted in inspection report</li> </ul>
Inspection Work Order	<p>Housing authorities are required to generate work orders for all deficiencies noted during inspections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "No Findings": 100 % of deficiencies noted on inspection reports generated work orders</li> <li>• "Corrective Action": Fewer than 100% of deficiencies noted on inspection reports generated work orders</li> </ul>
Work Order System	<p>Work order system identifies, tracks, and can produce reports for inspection work orders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "No Findings": Inspection work orders are identified, tracked, and reportable</li> <li>• "Operational Guidance": Inspection work orders are not identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable</li> </ul>
Inspections Work Orders Completed	<p>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).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "No Findings": Sampled inspection work orders were completed within 30 days of inspection date or added to deferred maintenance plan and/or CIP</li> <li>• "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</li> <li>• "Corrective Action": Sampled inspection work orders were completed in over 45 calendar days of inspection date</li> </ul>

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Facility Management – Work Order System</b>	
Emergency Work Orders Properly Defined	<p>Emergency work orders should be defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, identified, tracked, reportable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Emergency work orders defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, identified, tracked, reportable</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: Emergency work orders are not defined per <u>Property Management Guide</u>, and/or identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable</li> </ul>
Emergency Work Orders Initiation	<p>Emergency work orders should be initiated within 24 to 48 hours.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Emergency work orders initiated within 24-48 hours</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: Emergency work orders not initiated within 24-48 hours</li> </ul>
Vacancy Work Orders	<p>Vacancy work orders should be identified, tracked and reportable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Vacancy work orders identified, tracked AND reportable</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: Vacancy work orders are not identified, and/or tracked, and/or reportable</li> </ul>
Vacancy Work Orders Completed	<p>Vacancy work orders should be completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within that timeframe, LHA has a waiver.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Vacancy work orders are completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within timeframe, LHA has a waiver</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: Vacancy work orders completed within 31-60 calendar days</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: Vacancy work orders completed 61+ calendar days</li> </ul>
Preventive Maintenance Program	<p>Housing authorities are required to maintain a comprehensive preventive maintenance program in which preventive work orders are identified, tracked, and reportable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: A comprehensive preventive maintenance program exists and work orders are identified, tracked and reportable</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: A comprehensive preventive maintenance program does not exist OR work orders are not identified and/or tracked and/or reportable</li> </ul>
Routine Work Orders	<p>Routine work orders should be identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Routine work orders identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: Routine work orders are not identified, and/or tracked and/or reportable, and/or completed regularly</li> </ul>

CRITERION	DESCRIPTION
Requested Work Orders	<p>Requested work orders should be identified, tracked and reportable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Requested work orders identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: Requested work orders are not identified and/or tracked and/or reportable, and or completed regularly</li> </ul>
Requested Work Orders Completion	<p>Requested work orders should be 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 should be added and completed in a timely manner as a part of the Deferred Maintenance Plan and/or CIP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “No Findings”: Requested work orders are completed within 14 calendar days of tenant request OR added to deferred maintenance plan and/or CIP</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: Requested work orders are completed within 15-30 calendar days from the date of tenant request</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: Requested work orders are completed in over 30 calendar days from the date of tenant request OR not completed</li> </ul>
Emergency Response System	<p>Housing authorities should have a 24 Hour Emergency Response System and distribute Emergency Definition to Residents, Staff, and Answering Service (if applicable).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “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</li> <li>• “Operational Guidance”: System exists, but no definition has been distributed</li> <li>• “Corrective Action”: Neither a system nor distributed definitions exist</li> </ul>

## Policies

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

<b>Policy</b>	<b>Last Ratified by Board Vote</b>	<b>Notes</b>
*Rent Collection Policy	09/14/1993	"Rent Collection/Death of Tenant"
*Personnel Policy	06/16/2020	Union Contract
*Capitalization Policy	12/09/2015	
*Procurement Policy	11/18/2015	
*Grievance Policy	11/10/1998	
Credit/Debit Card Policy	08/18/2017	"Agency Credit Card Use Policy"
Maintenance and Other Charges	04/13/2016	"Maintenance/Preventative Maintenance Policy"
Records Conservation and Disposal Policy	07/14/2020	"Records Retention"
Sexual Harassment Policy	04/24/2018	"Sexual Harassment Prohibition Policy"
Smoking Policy	04/01/2013	"No Smoking Lease Addendum"
Travel Policy	01/13/2016	
Parking	04/11/2017	
Other – Define in the 'Notes' column	04/20/2021	Infectious Disease - COVID 19 Policy
Other – Define in the 'Notes' column	12/09/2015	Whistleblower Policy
Other – Define in the 'Notes' column	06/12/2018	Office Closure Policy
Other – Define in the 'Notes' column	02/18/2020	Mobile Device Policy

<b>Policy</b>	<b>Last Ratified by Board Vote</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	02/18/2020	Nepotism Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	08/22/2019	Media Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/24/2018	MA Pregnancy Non Discrimination & Accommodation Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/24/2018	Breastfeeding Accommodatoin Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	05/13/2013	Drug Free Workplace Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/15/2015	Air Conditioner Installation Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	08/14/2018	Compensatory Time for Management Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	05/29/2019	Trampoline & Pool Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	05/29/2018	Weapons Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/11/2017	Key Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	02/28/2017	Mission Statement (Revision)
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	11/13/2013	Cellular Telephone Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	09/12/1995	Policy on Late Rent
Reasonable Accommodations Policy	10/19/2021	
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/20/2021	Personal Leave for Non-Union Staff Policy
Other – Define in the ‘Notes’ column	04/20/2021	Vehicle Policy

<b>Policy</b>	<b>Last Ratified by Board Vote</b>	<b>Notes</b>
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\* 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.



## **Waivers**

AP-2023-Falmouth Housing Authorit-00515 has no current waivers from the regulations of the Department of Housing and Community Development (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.

- Public Comments and LHA Responses
- Cover sheet for tenant satisfaction surveys
- Tenant Satisfaction Survey 667 Program
- Performance Management Review



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## COMMENTS RECEIVED REGARDING FY2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The following recommendations represent comments presented to the Falmouth Housing Authority in regards to its Capital Improvement Plan. These comments have been received both during the comment period and within the current fiscal year.

- Replace Salt Sea and Mayflower/Choate windows based on board of health citations and tenant complaints
- Install bathroom ventilation systems at Salt Sea
- Install surveillance camera system at Mayflower/Choate
- Paint exteriors; replace shingles at Salt Sea and Mayflower/Choate
- Replace kitchen cabinets and countertops at 14 Ashton
- Remove large trees at 130 Edgewater
- Replace flooring at 20 Madeline
- Bayberry House: Replace water heater, install new flooring throughout building, interior and exterior building; repair/replace drywall in bathroom areas that are peeling from water exposure, replace countertops that are stained, cracked and broken, replace kitchen cabinets; replace stove; replace interior doors.
- Replace community room/outdoor furniture at Salt Sea and Mayflower/Choate. *Note: This was not added to the CIP as the housing authority is seeking a local grant to assist with funding and/or donations from local businesses.*

Respectfully submitted by:

Bobbi Richards

Executive Director

Falmouth Housing Authority

## **Resident Surveys – Background**

Since 2016 DHCD has been working with the Center for Survey Research (CSR) 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). CSR surveys residents of elderly/disabled units (also known as c. 667 developments) and family units (also known as c. 705 and c. 200 developments).

During each round, all individual residents are mailed surveys, 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 residents was surveyed at each housing authority. This group was determined to be large enough to generate statistically useful results. In both rounds, responses from c.200 and c.705 residents are always combined.

### **Round One Surveys (2016 – 2018)**

In Round One of the surveys, CSR surveyed residents of elderly/disabled developments (c. 667) in three groups in the Fall of 2016, 2017 and 2018. CSR surveyed residents of family units (c. 705 and c. 200 developments) in the Spring of 2016. (Note: there are many more c. 667 units, so they were broken down into three groups).

#### *Notes: Round One Surveys*

1. In previous publications of this survey data, if there were at least twenty responses from residents of an authority's c.667 units or from their c.200/705 units, then there is a separate report for that program.
2. However, to be consistent with the new Round Two methodology described below, we recalculated the Round One data using the new methodology. Since we no longer combine c.667 results with c.200/705 results, several LHAs no longer have a report for their c.200/705 units, given the small data set for those units.

### **Round Two Surveys (2019 – 2022)**

Round Two of the surveys began in 2019. CSR surveyed about one-third of the elderly/disabled residents in Fall 2019 and all of the family residents in Fall 2020. We expect the remaining elderly/disabled residents to be surveyed in Fall 2021 and Fall 2022.

#### *Notes: Round Two Surveys*

1. We refined our reporting methodology and will issue survey results for any program (c. 667 or c. 200/705) meeting these requirements:
  - 8-19 completed surveys received, if the response rate is at least 40%
  - 20-29 completed surveys received, if the response rate is at least 20%
  - 30+ completed surveys received, if the response rate is at least 15%
2. Responses from the family units will not be combined with responses from elderly/disabled units as they originally were in Round One. Since the variance between the results of the elderly/disabled and family programs was sometimes significant, combining the two was determined to yield less accurate results.

# Falmouth 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 **Falmouth Housing Authority**, surveys were sent to a total of **54** Falmouth housing units (Chapter 667); **26** surveys were completed.

This report provides some information about how the residents from the **Falmouth 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 Southeastern Massachusetts. These small LHAs in Southeastern Massachusetts include: Acushnet, Bourne, Dennis, Dighton, East Bridgewater, Falmouth, Hanson, Marshfield, Norton, Orleans, Plainville, Somerset, Taunton, and Yarmouth.

## 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:

	Falmouth Housing Authority	Small LHAs in South-East MA *	Entire State
Felt they were usually or always treated with courtesy and respect when they contacted management.....	<b>92%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>87%</b>
Knew the Executive Director held a meeting with residents.....	<b>35%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>54%</b>

\* Small LHAs in Southeastern Massachusetts include: Acushnet, Bourne, Dennis, Dighton, East Bridgewater, Falmouth, Hanson, Marshfield, Norton, Orleans, Plainville, Somerset, Taunton, and Yarmouth.

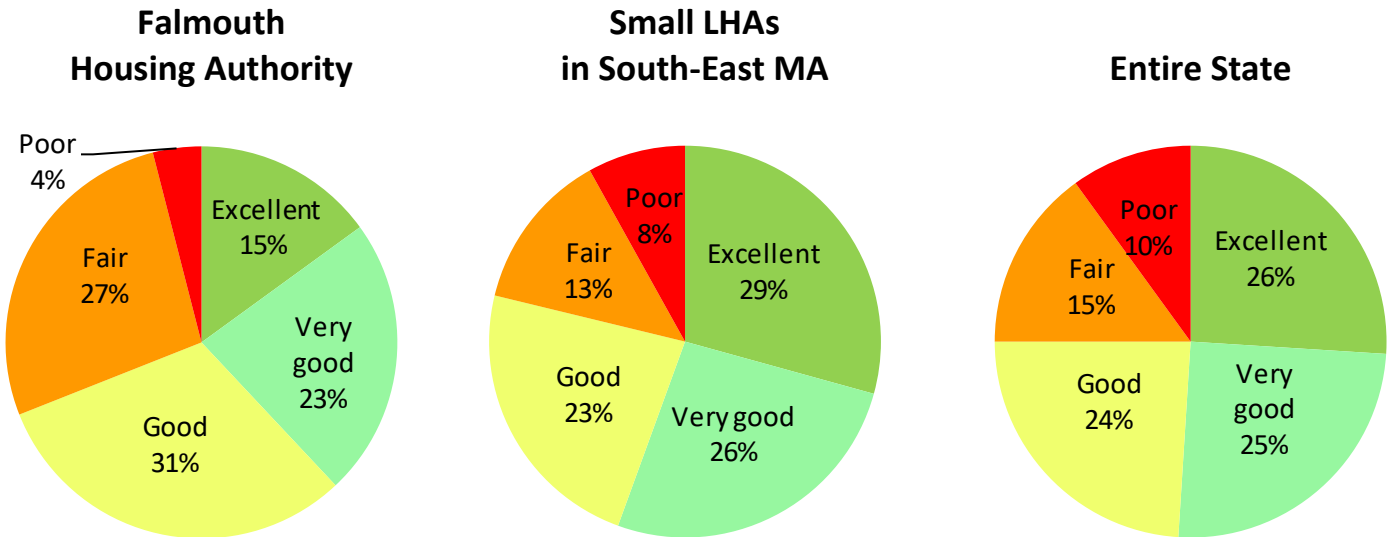
# Maintenance and Repair

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

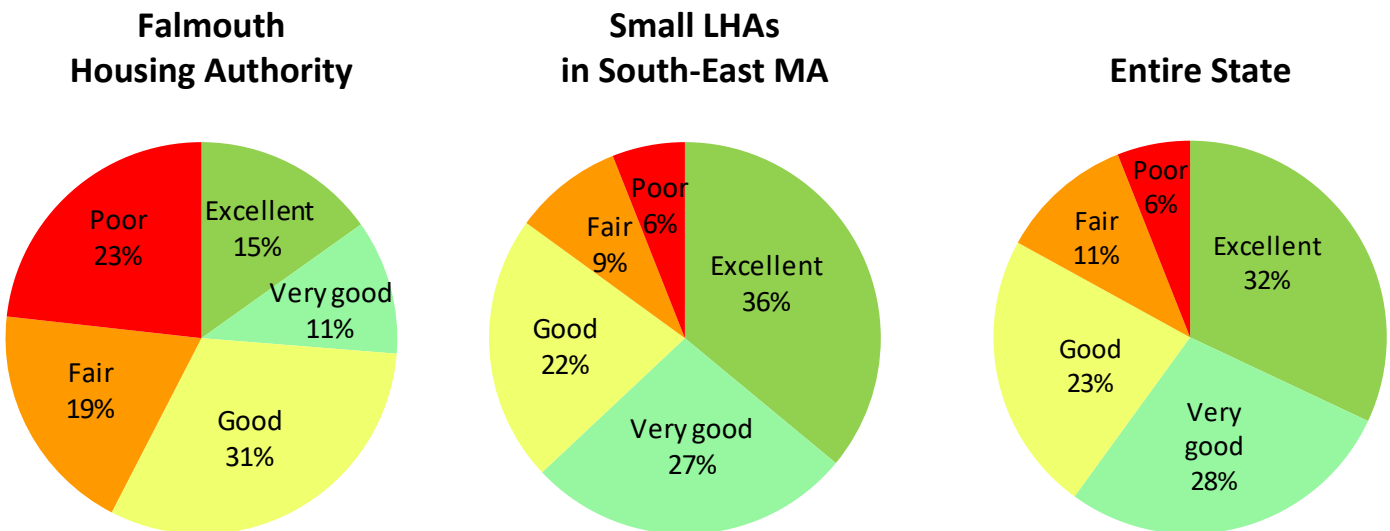
	Falmouth Housing Authority	Small LHAs in South-East MA	Entire State
Felt they were treated with courtesy and respect when they contacted maintenance.....	92%	91%	89%
Were contacted by the Housing Authority before entering their apartment.....	96%	94%	92%

- 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:**



**Outdoor maintenance:**



- **Heating and Water Problems:** Over a half of respondents had a problem with their heating and about two thirds had a plumbing problem in the last 12 months.

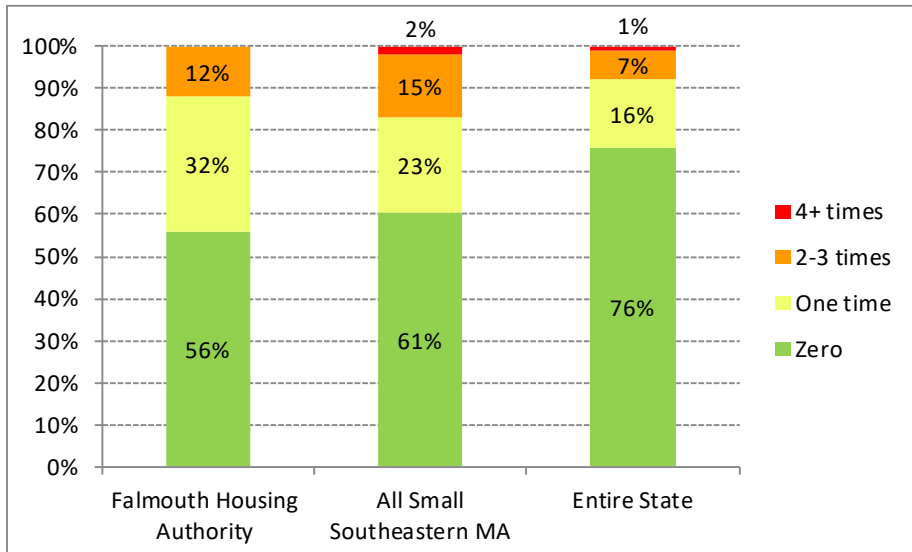
	Falmouth Housing Authority	Small LHAs in South-East MA	Entire State
Had any heating problem.....	54%	49%	40%
Had any water problem.....	65%	61%	57%

- **Heating Problems**

**How many times did residents completely lose heat?**

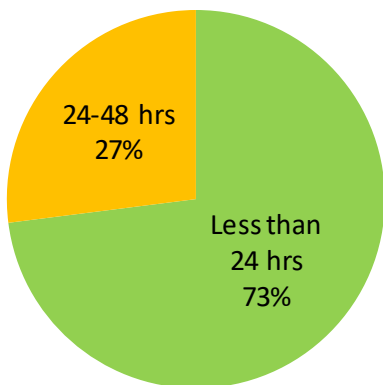
The chart below shows how many times respondents had completely lost heat in the last 12 months.

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.

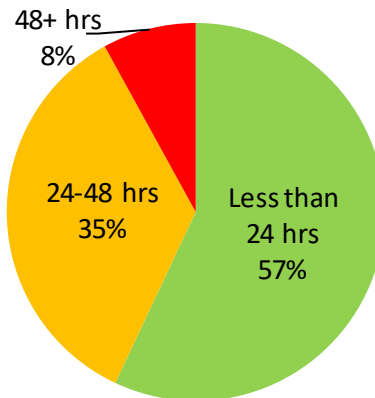


**How long did it usually take for heat to come back on?** For those respondents who reported completely losing heat, we asked how long it usually took for the heat to come back on – less than 24 hours, 24 - 48 hours, or more than 48 hours.

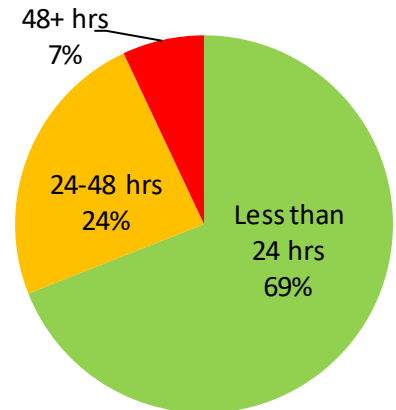
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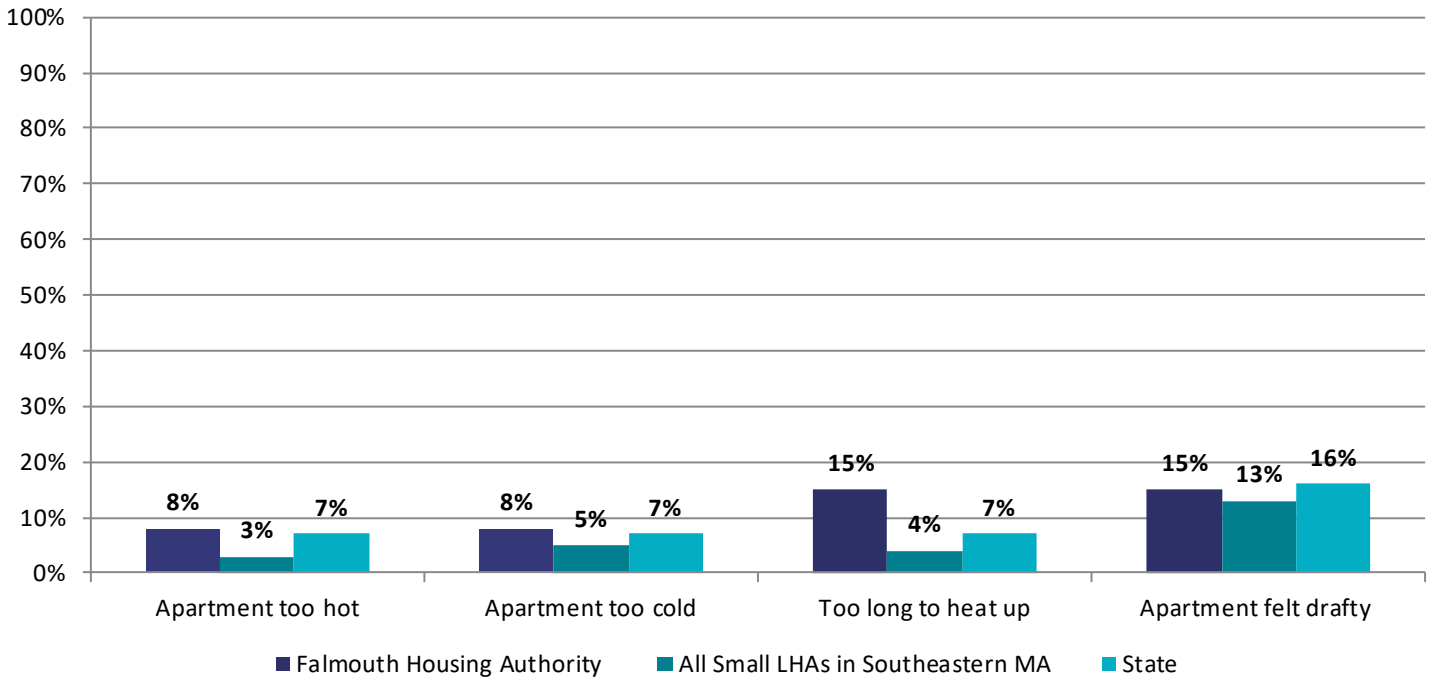
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- **Other Heating Problems**

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

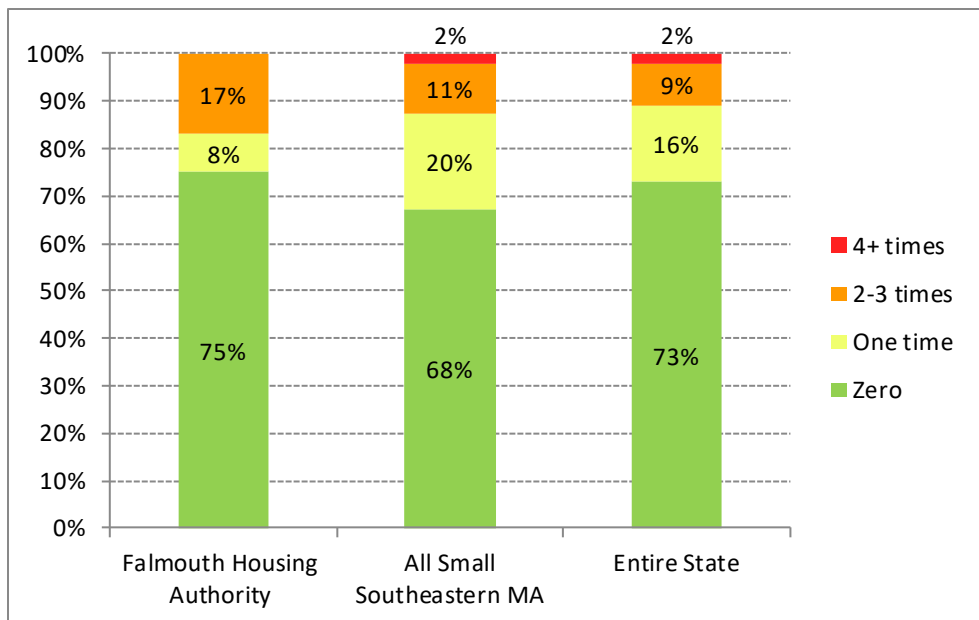
The chart below shows what percentage of residents experienced other heating problems in the last 12 months.



- **Water or Plumbing Problems**

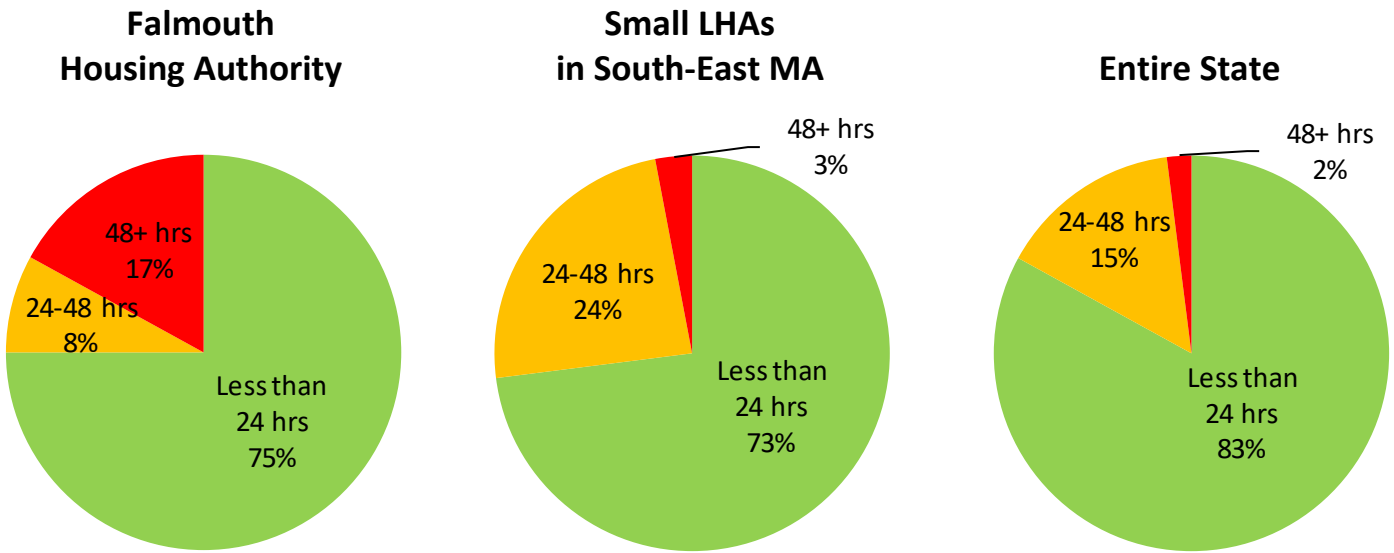
**How many times did residents have no hot water in their apartment?**

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.





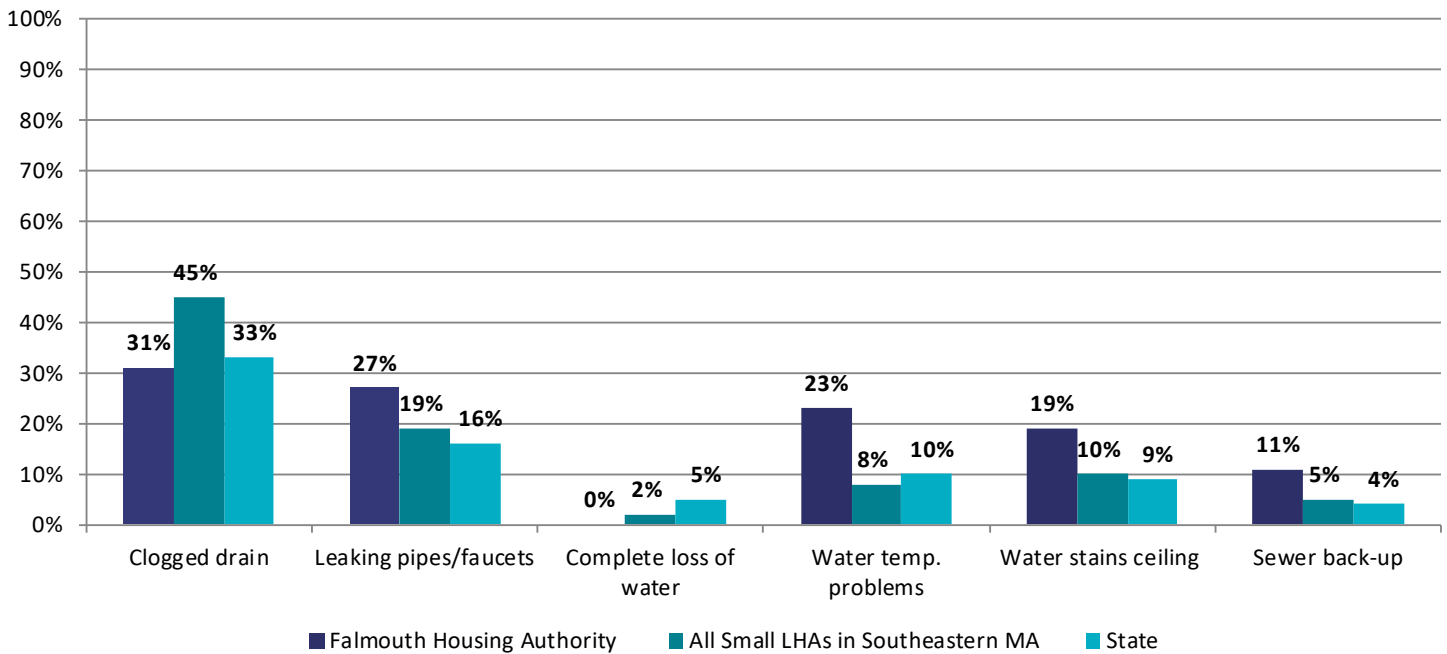
**How long did it usually take for hot water to come back on?** For those respondents who reported not having hot water in their apartment, we asked how long it usually took for hot water to come back on – less than 24 hours, 24 - 48 hours, or more than 48 hours.



• **Other Water or Plumbing Problems**

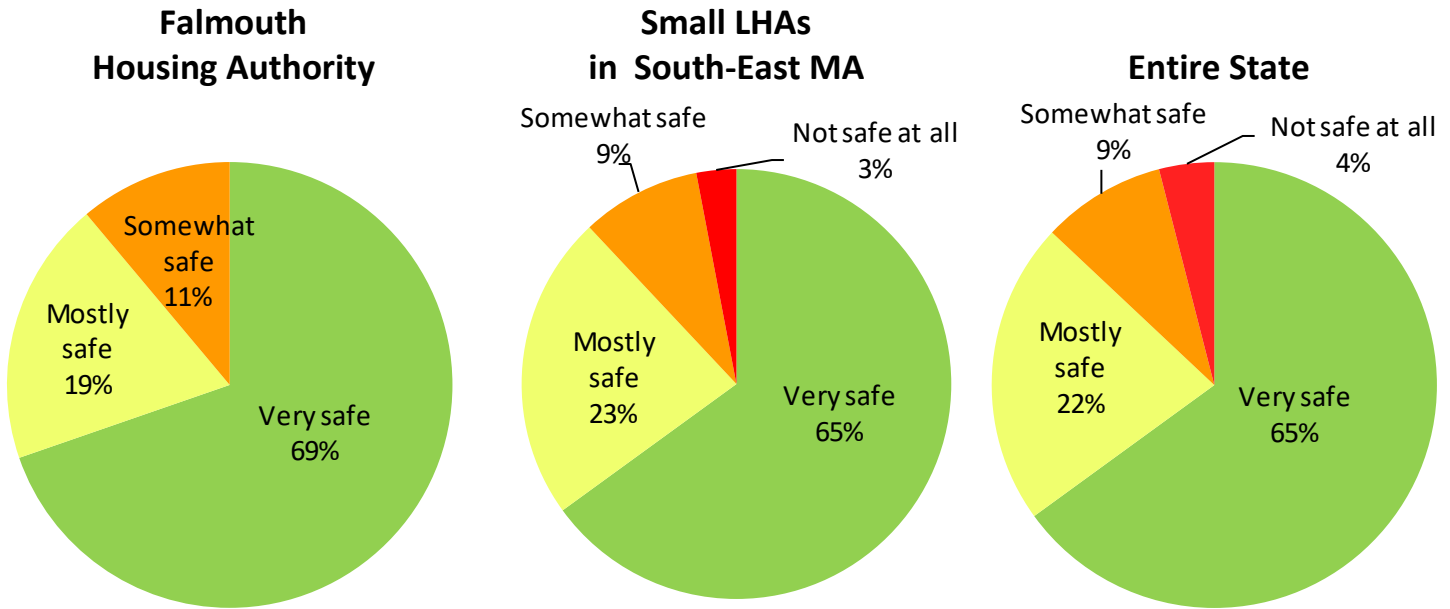
**In the last 12 months did residents have other water or plumbing problems?**

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

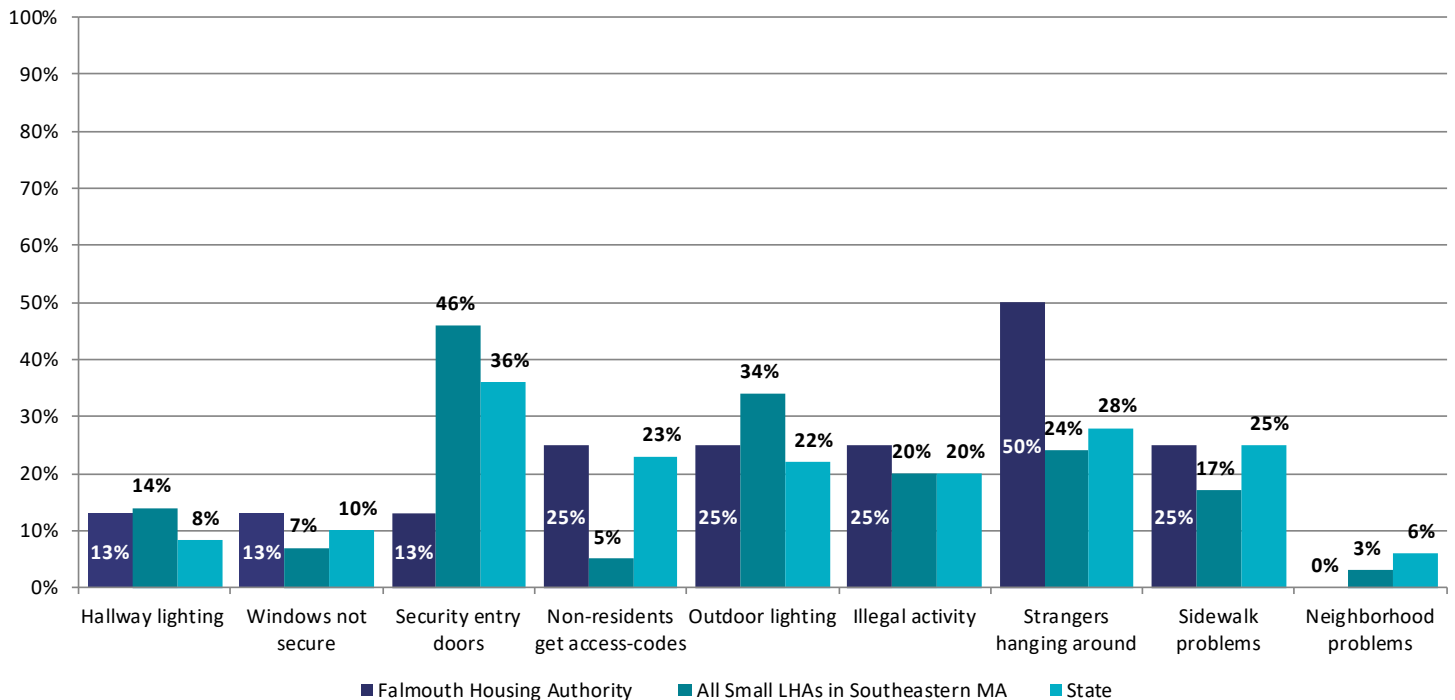


# Safety

**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.



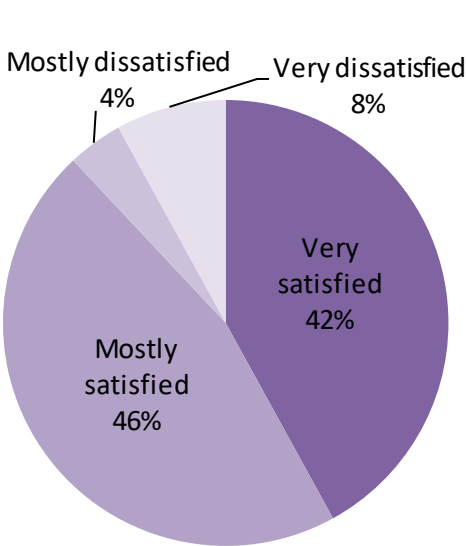
**Reasons why respondents felt unsafe in their development:** Respondents were asked why they felt unsafe in their development. This chart shows what specific concerns respondents mentioned.



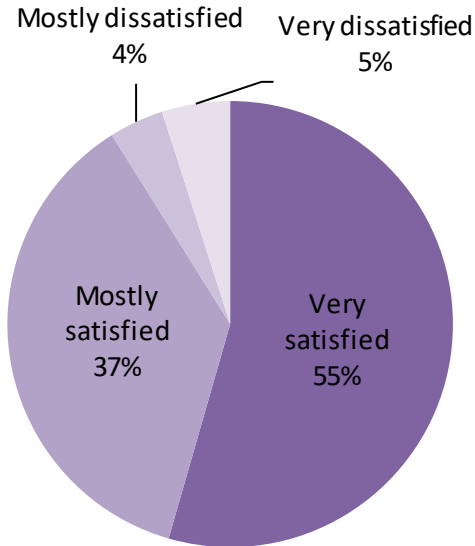
# Overall Satisfaction

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”.

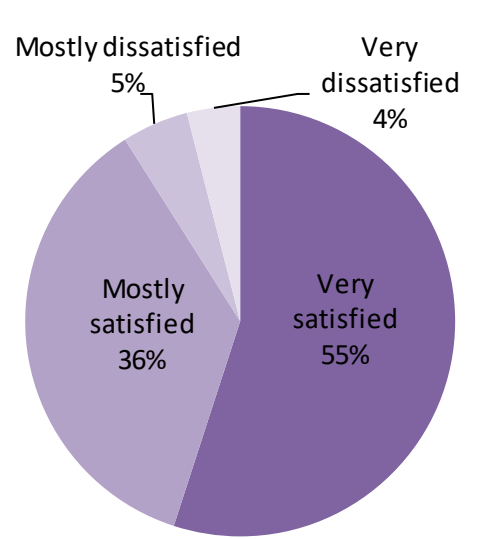
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# FALMOUTH HOUSING AUTHORITY

## Performance Management Review (PMR) Report

Fiscal Year End 06/30/2021

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

# Performance Management Review

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD)				
PMR Desk Audit Ratings Summary <b>Official Published PMR Record</b>				
For a detailed report of the Performance Management Review (PMR), please contact the Local Housing Authority				
Housing Authority	Falmouth Housing Authority			
Fiscal Year Ending	06/30/2021			
Housing Management Specialist	Carrie Sousa			
Facilities Management Specialist	Todd Lawson			
Criteria	Score/Rating			
	Management			
Occupancy Rate	<b>c.667</b>	<b>c.705</b>	<b>c.200</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
	No Findings	No Findings	Not Applicable	No Findings
Tenant Accounts Receivable (TAR)	<b>c.667</b>	<b>c.705</b>	<b>c.200</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
	Paused due to COVID-19	Paused due to COVID-19	Not Applicable	Paused due to COVID-19
Board Member Training	No Findings			
Certifications and Reporting Submissions	Operational Guidance			
Annual Plan	No Findings			
	Financial			
Adjusted Net Income	Paused due to COVID-19			
Operating Reserves	Corrective Action			
	Capital			
Capital Spending	Paused due to COVID-19			

# LHA Falmouth Housing Authority

## Occupancy

Rating All: No Findings

Rating 667: No Findings

Rating 200: Not Applicable

Rating 705: No Findings

- 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:

## Certifications and Reporting Submissions

Rating: Operational Guidance

- 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:

## Operating Reserve

**Rating:** Corrective Action

- 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 *prior written approval* from DHCD, *unless the expenses are to resolve health and safety issues*.
- Each LHA must maintain a projected operating reserve of 20% of maximum reserve level, which *remains the minimum operating reserve level for all LHAs*.
- Other:**

## Board Member Training

**Rating:** No Findings

- 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.
- Other:**

## Annual Plan Submission

**Rating:** No Findings

- Ensure you submit the Annual Plan on time.
- Other:**

# Performance Management Review

## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD) PMR Physical Condition Ratings

<b>Housing Authority</b>	<b>Falmouth Housing Authority</b>
<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b>	<b>06/30/2021</b>
<b>Housing Management Specialist</b>	<b>Carrie Sousa</b>
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Inspection and Work Order System Criteria	Rating
<b>Inspections</b>	
LHA conducted 100% of the unit inspections.	Paused due to COVID-19
Inspections report noted 100% of the necessary repairs in each unit.	Paused due to COVID-19
100% of inspection-related work orders were generated.	Paused due to COVID-19
Work order system identifies, tracks, and can produce reports for inspection work orders.	Paused due to COVID-19
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).	Paused due to COVID-19
<b>Work Order System</b>	
Emergency work orders defined per PMG, identified, tracked, reportable.	No Findings
Emergency work orders initiated within 24 to 48 hours.	No Findings
Vacancy work orders identified, tracked and reportable.	No Findings
Vacancy work orders were completed within 30 calendar days or if not completed within that timeframe, LHA has a waiver.	No Findings
Comprehensive Preventive Maintenance Program exists & preventive work orders identified, tracked, and reportable.	No Findings
Routine work orders identified, tracked, reportable and completed regularly.	No Findings
Requested work orders are identified, tracked and reportable.	No Findings
Requested work orders were 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 was added and completed in a timely manner as a part of the Deferred Maintenance Plan and/or CIP.	Paused due to COVID-19
LHAs have a 24 hour system for responding to emergencies and have distributed definition of emergency to residents, staff and answering service (if applicable).	No Findings



**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD)  
PMR Physical Condition Report**

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

<b>Housing Authority</b>	<b>Falmouth Housing Authority</b>
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**Health and Safety Violations. Must be initiated within 24 to 48 hours. If the box below is not checked, you did not have any health and safety violations.**

DHCD will provide a list of health and safety violations found. Inspection reports will be provided by your HMS. The health and safety items have an 'X' in the HS column of the inspection report. Actions to correct these violations must be initiated within 24 to 48 hours. When you have completed work orders for these items send documentation to [dhcd-phinspectionviolations@massmail.state.ma.us](mailto:dhcd-phinspectionviolations@massmail.state.ma.us). In the subject line please indicate the LHAName and the PMR Year. If health and safety violations are not resolved within 60 days, DHCD will follow-up with a second site visit.

### Criteria A: LHA conducted 100% of the unit inspections - *Paused due to Covid-19*

- Look to a nearby LHA for help with inspections (formulate a management agreement)
- Attend a Regional DHCD-led Inspection Training (in person)
- Refer to Property Maintenance Guide - Chapter 3 on Inspections See Handout B
- Consider Organization of Staff (see Chapter 4 of PMG) See Handout B
- Develop/Improve internal organizational processes and procedures to ensure you are properly scheduling, tracking, and documenting inspections throughout the year.
- Consider software (web-based applications) or Excel/Access to help you conduct/track/document inspections See Handout H
- Schedule your inspections throughout the year (by development or by anniversary date), rather than once a year
- Hire a qualified contractor (contact the DHCD Compliance Specialist (#617-573-1100 or dhcd-publichousingprocurement@massmail.state.ma.us) for procurement information)

#### Additional Notes:

Paused for Covid

### Criteria B: Inspection report noted 100% of the necessary repairs in each unit -*Paused due to Covid-19*

- Unable to make recommendations as did not notify tenants of possible inspections
- Attend a Regional DHCD-led Inspection Training (in person)
- Look into maintenance trainings offered by MAHAMS See Handout L
- Include tenant violations in inspection reports
- Review state sanitary code ([https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/07/pv/105cmr410\\_0.pdf](https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/07/pv/105cmr410_0.pdf))

#### Additional Notes:

Paused due to Covid

### Criteria C: 100% of inspection-related work orders were generated - *Paused due to Covid-19*

- Attend a Regional DHCD-led Inspection Training (in person)
- Refer to Property Maintenance Guide - Chapter 3 on Inspections See Handout B
- Ensure all tenant violations are included in the inspection report and that these violations are followed-up on by administrative staff with the tenant.
- Develop internal organizational processes and procedures to ensure you are properly generating and tracking inspection work orders throughout the year
- Improve internal organizational processes and procedures to ensure you are properly generating and tracking inspection work orders throughout the year
- Consider software (web-based applications) or Excel/Access to help you conduct/generate/track inspections See Handout H

#### Additional Notes:

Paused for Covid

## Work Order System Identifies, Tracks, and Can Produce Reports for the Following

- Criteria D: Inspection - *Paused due to Covid-19*
- Criteria F: Emergency (defined per PMG) - *No Findings*
- Criteria H: Vacancy - *No Findings*
- Criteria K: Routine - *No Findings*
- Criteria L: Requested - *No Findings*

- Consider software (web-based applications) or Excel/Access to help you generate/track/close out work orders See Handout H
- Refer to Property Maintenance Guide - Chapters 1 to 3 on Work Order Systems See Handout B
- Refer to PHN 2016-16 and 2016-36 and 2018-8 on Maintenance Aspects of Performance Management Review See Handout C+D
- Train staff on work order types and how to input them into your work order system/If you use web-based software, reach out to your vendor for training/training materials/changes to the software See Handout K + Software Handouts (M, N, or O) If Applicable
- LHA should align work order types, their priorities and a definition of what is considered an emergency with the Property Maintenance Guide (Pages I-5 to I-10) See Handout B + K
- Look to other LHAs with strong work order systems/processes and procedures around work orders and ask for their assistance
- Definition of Emergency Work Orders Should Be Conditions (no matter the time of day) which are immediately threatening to the life or safety of your residents, staff, or structures. LHA should create emergency list and distribute to staff and tenants. Produce emergency work orders for any work that is on list and initiate work within 24 to 48 hours. See Handout J
- LHA should establish a system of move out inspections for all vacant units. Produce work orders from those move out inspection reports, and list on work order time spent working on turnover, date turnover was started and date finished, list of work done, and material used.

### Additional Notes:

Vacant unit turnover issues

## Timely Completion of Work Order Types

- Criteria E: Inspection - *Paused*
- Criteria G: Emergency - *No Findings*
- Criteria I: Vacancy - *No Findings*
- Criteria M: Requested - *Paused*

- Consult DHCD's list of work order types, their priorities and a definition of what is considered an emergency See Handout J + K
- Refer to Property Maintenance Guide - Chapters 1 to 3 on Work Order Systems See Handout B
- Refer to PHNs 2016-16 and 2016-36 and 2018-8 on Maintenance Aspects of Performance Management Review See Handout C + D
- Vacancy turnovers should be completed within 30 calendar days or less. If cannot complete work within 30 days, LHA should contact Housing Management Specialist for a waiver. Use Online Vacancy System to Apply for Waivers (see PHN 2013 - 07) for Waiver Types (if waiver-eligible) See Handout G
- Consider Use of Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Capital Projects (see PHN 2012-22 for Capital vs. Operating funds; Contact Your Project Manager or RCAT for More Information) See Handout I
- Hire a qualified contractor (if plan to procure, contact DHCD Compliance Specialist (#617-573-1100 or dhcd-publichousingprocurement@massmail.state.ma.us) for procurement information
- Schedule your inspections throughout the year (by development or by anniversary date), rather than once a year
- Train staff on work order types and how to input them into your work order system/If you use web-based software, reach out to your vendor for training/training materials/changes to the software See Handout K + Software Handouts (M, N or O) If Applicable
- Consider software (web-based applications) or Excel/Access to help you generate/track/close out work orders See Handout H
- Consider Use of a Deferred Maintenance Plan/Operating Funds (Talk to Facilities Management Specialist and/or Housing Management Specialist)
- Look into Maintenance trainings offered by MAHAMS See Handout L
- Look into Dwelling Unit Inspection trainings offered by DHCD
- Look to other LHAs with strong work order systems/processes around work orders and ask for their assistance (possibly formulate a management agreement)
- Request Vacant Unit Funds (see PHN 2016-34 for more information) See Handout F
- Look for other external funding sources
- Build a broader vendor network (to ensure timely delivery of parts/materials)
- Consider Organization of Staff (see Chapter 4 of PMG) See Handout B

### Additional Notes:

#### Emergency Work Order:

N/A

#### Vacancy Work Order:

Need to revamp turnover procedures

#### Timeliness Requested Work Order:

N/A

#### Timeliness of Inspection Work Order:

N/A

**Criteria J: Comprehensive Preventive Maintenance Program Exists + Preventive Work Orders Identified, Tracked, Reportable - *No Findings***

- ☐ Refer to the Property Maintenance Guide (Pages I-23 to I-32 and Pages 8-7 to 8-26) See Handout B
- ☐ Refer to Annual PHNs on this topic, latest of which was PHN 2016-18 "Preventive Maintenance Monthly Reminders" See Handout E
- ☐ Process to schedule, generate, prioritize, and track work orders as a part of the Preventive Maintenance Program (consider using software to automate processes where possible) See Handout H
- ☐ Designate one person with the responsibility of reviewing/updating the Preventive Maintenance Program on a regular basis, as well as in real-time as new equipment is purchased
- ☐ Create a Preventive Maintenance Program/Plan that helps in the upkeep of all buildings and equipment. Work orders should be created and closed for all items on Preventive Maintenance Plan; Consult the Property Maintenance Guide (Pages I-23 to I-32) and Public Housing Notices 2016 - 18 "Preventive Maintenance Reminders" for how to develop a Preventive Maintenance Program See Handout B
- ☐ Consider software (web-based applications) or Excel/Access to help you generate/track/close out work orders See Handout H
- ☐ Refer to Property Maintenance Guide - Chapters 1 to 3 on Work Order Systems See Handout B
- ☐ Refer to PHN 2016-16 and 2016-36 and 2018-8 on Maintenance Aspects of Performance Management Review See Handout C+D
- ☐ Train staff on work order types and how to input them into your work order system/If you use web-based software, reach out to your vendor for training/training materials/changes to the software See Handout K + Software Handouts (M, N, or O) If Applicable
- ☐ Look to other LHAs with strong work order systems/processes and procedures around work orders and ask for their assistance

**Additional Notes:**

**Criteria N: 24 Emergency Response System, Distributed Emergency Definition to Residents, Staff, and Answering Service (if applicable) - *No Findings***

- ☐ Create an Emergency System that Is Available 24 Hours a Day (if plan to procure, contact DHCD Compliance Specialist (#617-573-1100 or dhcd-publichousingprocurement@massmail.state.ma.us))
- ☐ Refer to Property Maintenance Guide (Pages I-5 to I-10) on Emergencies and System Setup See Handout B
- ☐ LHA should create a list of emergency items and distribute to all staff, tenants and answering service if have one. Produce emergency work orders for any work that is on your emergency list and initiate work within 24 to 48 hours. See Handout J

**Additional Notes:**