

Required Attachment B: Membership of the Resident Advisory Board or Boards

Member of the Resident Advisory Board or Boards: Each year the HA makes an effort to solicit Section 8 participants to serve on the Resident Advisory Board and no one has expressed interest. Therefore, because Section 8 residents do not have resident councils, the HA has elected to notify a random selection of its program participants annually regarding the annual plan. The HA will ensure that the randomly selected program participants will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Plan and to submit any additional comments in writing to the HA.

Each year a mailing is conducted by the HA to solicit interest in reviewing the Five-Year and/or Annual Plan. This year's mailing included the Annual Plan, a survey response form, a self-addressed stamped envelope and a cover letter. It invited the program participants to serve on a resident advisory board and to make comments or recommendations on the Plan and asked if they were interested in attending a RAB meeting.

Each year the HA will consider comments from the RAB and the public when drafting the final plan and will include any comments provided by the RAB and public when submitting the Plan to HUD for approval.

A notice is also posted in the main lobby of the contract administrator office advertising the opportunity to review and comment on the Five-Year and/or Annual Plan.

In addition, each year the HA advertises a public notice in the following newspapers, as well as, posts on the City of Hartford website and with the Hartford Public Library:

Hartford Courant Legal Ads
285 Broad Street
Hartford, CT 06115
(860) 241-6200
(860) 241-3866 Fax
publicnotices@courant.com

The Hartford News
563 Franklin Avenue
Hartford, CT 06114-2517
(860) 296-6128
Hartfordnews@aol.com

Northend Agent
P.O. Box 2308
Hartford, CT 06146
Email: sallen@northendagents.com

The comments that are received will be collected prior to the public hearing and added to the comments already provided. This effort is undertaken to further increase client participation in the review process of the Five-Year and/or Annual Plan.

The comments that were received in response to the public notices, the public hearings or through the direct mailing have included the following:

Comments received through Hartford Organizing for Power and Equality (HOPE):

1. We would like for the public hearing to be at time that more people would be able to attend such as morning and evening.
2. We would like for you to send a notice to everyone who has your Section 8 voucher and who is on the waiting list about the plan so people who are affected would have an opportunity to speak.
3. Who is the Resident Advisory Board for the City and Imagineers?
4. If SEVRA II passes, will you be willing to make repairs with the voucher money if an owner has not made it so that tenants will not be displaced?

Comment received through direct mailing:

The following recommendations: Assist more people with low-income and people displaced from fire.

In response to the comments received, the City of Hartford has committed to expanding the notification process and to schedule the public hearing later in the evening. In response to the questions on the proposed SEVRA II legislation, the City of Hartford is committed to utilizing the full menu of options available to successfully handle landlords who do not make repairs and which negatively impact Section 8 tenants. When the final version of SEVRA has passed Congress and regulations are promulgated by HUD on making repairs with voucher money, the City of Hartford will be in a position to effectively develop administrative policy.

5-Year and Annual Plan Comments for plan years 2010-2014:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing conducted on February 22, 2010 include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments received through direct mailing were: None. However, one person responded that she wanted to continue in being a member of the Resident Advisory Board and checked off that she was interested in attending a board meeting.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2011:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments received through direct mailing conducted on February 25, 2011 were: None. One program participant responded in the affirmative in continuing in being a member of the RAB, however was not interested in attending a RAB meeting.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2012:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing held on 4/9/2012 were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing conducted on February 13, 2012 to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2013:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing conducted on February 15, 2013 to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: One program participant responded in the affirmative in continuing to be a member of the RAB, however was not interested in attending RAB meeting and also stated that there were heat problems and was planning on moving however since airing her dilemma on the news it was rectified and is now staying in unit.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2014:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing conducted on February 28, 2014 to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: One program participant responded in the affirmative in continuing to be a member of the RAB, however was not interested in attending RAB meeting.

5-Year and Annual Plan Comments for plan years 2015-2019:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments received through direct mailing conducted on January 29, 2015 were: One program participant responded in the affirmative in continuing to be a member of the RAB, however was not interested in attending RAB meeting.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2016:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing conducted on February 24, 2016 to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: Two program participants responded in the affirmative in continuing to be a member of the RAB, however they were not interested in attending RAB meeting.

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2017:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2018:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: One person sent in response form and checked questions in the affirmative. In addition, checked that she was not interested in the RAB or in attending meeting. Another person answered in the affirmative the plan questions with the exception of answering no to the strategies identified to address the housing needs. A letter has been sent to her inviting her to give us her comments or recommendations for why she answered no to the question. She answered that she still wants to be a member of the RAB but is not interested in a meeting. As of 4/17/2018 no response from her.

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2019:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: None

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: One participant commented that “we need more applicants and we need more Section 8 voucher.” We responded that we will continue to apply for any grants/funds that HUD advertises for.

Revised Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2019:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None

Comments received through public hearing were: At the hearing, no comments were received specifically to the changes that were made to the plan. The attendees, mostly made up of seniors and the commissioner of aging, were mostly interested in how to apply for openings to the Section 8 program and any new development for senior housing. They were provided with information on how to apply and the Director of Housing stated that they were in the preliminary steps of working on plans for developing senior housing.

Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None

5-Year and Annual Plan Comments for plan years 2020-2024:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None
Comments received through public hearing were: Hearing was conducted via a conference call through the Skype platform due to the COVID-19 pandemic following the CDC, Governor's and HUD's recommendations. One person from the public attended and commented that the City should have a residency preference for people living in Hartford. The comment will further be reviewed and analyzed.
Comments received through direct mailing were: None

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2021:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None
Comments received through public hearing were: None
Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2022:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were: None
Comments received through public hearing were: None
Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were: None

Annual Plan Comments for plan year 2023:

The comments that were received in response to the public notice, the public hearing or through the direct mailing include the following:

Comments received through public notice were:
Comments received through public hearing were:
Comments solicited and received through direct mailing to program participants listed below in lieu of Resident Advisory Board were:

Resident Advisory Board Members:

ALICEA, VIRGINIA
Amighi, Hamid
ARIAS, TEOFILO
BAEZ, CHRISTINA
BATISTA, ANTONIO
BELL, CHERYL
Bello, Salina P.
BIBENS, TRAVER
BOWMAN, ROSE
Boylan, Lindsay M.

Brazauskas, Debra A.
Cade, Michelle
Collada, Jr, Julio C.
COLLINS, CHRISTINE
COLON, ALICIA
CONLEY, SHERYL
Connors, Christopher
Cotto, Natalie M.
COX, MARIA
CRESPO, EDDIE

Cruz, Solymar
CURRIE, CHARLES
Davila, Iliana
DAVIS, AMELIA
DELGADO, CYNTHIA
DELGADO, MARIA
DIAZ, JESSICA
Dillon, Sequeena
FLORES, DELIA
GALLARDO, ELIZABETH
GAMBLE, DEBBIE
Gerena, Lillian
Gonzalez, Blanca I.
GRANT, VIRGINIA
GRAY, MONIQUE
GREENE SYKES, LAVAIL
Guevara, Jocelyn
Guzman, Madeline
HANKERSON, GARY
HARDY, CHARLES
Harris, Asia
HARRISON, JIMMIE
Hayes, Rosa
JACKSON, CLAUDIA
JAMES, SHARONDA
JOHNSON, OLIVIA
Jones, Tamara S.
Jones-Anderson, TRICIA O.
Kassaei, Seyed
Krzykowski, Michelle M.
LAURAY, ADRIENNE
MARRERO, CARMEN
Matos Anaya, Yamiletsy
MAXWELL, PAULETTE
McNeil, Sheila M.
Mickens, Brenda L.
MINNIFIELD, RUBY
MIRANDA, HIRIANA
Nguyen, Quyen
NGUYEN, HAO
Olivera, Erick
Ortiz, Nereida
PADILLA, MINERVA

PAGAN, CARMEN
Parmlee, Erica
Pearl, Tempestt D.
PENNINGTON, BARBARA
Peralta, Lia
Perez, Amanda
RAMADANI, FAIK
Ramos, Lizbeth
REDDING JR, ALLEN
REYES, NELIDA
Rios, Jazmin C.
RIVAS, ROSA
Rivera Cosme, Theycha
Rodriguez, Isabelita
RODRIGUEZ, RAMONITA
Rodriguez, Sharon Lee
ROSA, KRYSTAL
ROSARIO, ELIZABETH
Sailor, Destiny
Salmon, Kerryann
Sanchez, Brenda L.
SANCHEZ, MARIBEL
Santiago, Julia
SCOTT, AYANNA
Serrano, William
Simpson, Kristin
SMITH, JASON
SMITH, SHUNA P.
Soto, Elizabeth
SYKES, RAY
THOMAS, MAURICE
Torrence, Zakiya A.
Torres, Jessica
VALLE BENIQUEZ, ELVIRA
Vazquez, Ana R.
Vazquez, Emeline
Vinters, Edna M.
Wallace, Marlena D.
Weeks, Tina M.
WILLIAMS, YVETTE
Wilson, Victoria
YON, GREGORY