

## **Important Notice: Temporary Changes to the Housing Choice Voucher Program**

Due to current funding constraints, we are implementing temporary policy changes effective immediately. These steps are necessary to ensure continued assistance to all voucher holders.

### **What You Need to Know:**

#### **• Voluntary Moves**

Participants will be limited to **one voluntary move per year**. In some cases, you may be required to remain in your current unit or move only within more cost-effective areas.

*Exceptions* may be granted for emergency situations, including those covered under the **Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)**.

Please contact your Housing Specialist if you believe you may qualify for an exception.

#### **• Moves to Higher-Cost Areas**

Requests to move to areas with higher subsidy costs will be **delayed or denied**, unless the move is required as a **reasonable accommodation for a disability**.

Again, *exceptions* may be made for emergencies, including VAWA-related circumstances.

Speak with your Housing Specialist for more information or to request an exception.

#### **• Higher-Cost Zip Codes**

The following zip codes are currently considered higher-cost areas:

*14032, 14033, 14051, 14059, 14061, 14068, 14072, 14075, 14085, 14091, 14112, 14127, 14203, 14214, 14216, 14221, 14222, 14224, 14226, 14227, 14228, 14260, 14261.*

These changes are permitted under Section 5 of **PIH Notice 2011-28**, which allows PHAs to limit moves to higher-cost areas when necessary to maintain program sustainability.

### **How Long Will These Changes Last?**

These policies will remain in effect until funding levels improve and normal operations can resume.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to serve all families during this time. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your Housing Specialist directly.