Streamlined Annual PHA Plan
(HCV Only PHAs)

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Purpose. The 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans provide a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA’s operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA’s mission, goals and objectives for serving the needs of low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families.

Applicability. Form HUD-50075-HCV is to be completed annually by HCV-Only PHAs. PHAs that meet the definition of a Standard PHA, Troubled PHA, High Performer PHA, Small PHA, or Qualified PHA do not need to submit this form. Where applicable, separate Annual PHA Plan forms are available for each of these types of PHAs.

Definitions.

(1) **High-Performer PHA** - A PHA that owns or manages more than 550 combined public housing units and housing choice vouchers, and was designated as a high performer on both of the most recent Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) and Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) assessments if administering both programs, or PHAS if only administering public housing.

(2) **Small PHA** - A PHA that is not designated as PHAS or SEMAP troubled, or at risk of being designated as troubled, that owns or manages less than 250 public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceeds 550.

(3) **Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Only PHA** - A PHA that administers more than 550 HCVs, was not designated as troubled in its most recent SEMAP assessment, and does not own or manage public housing.

(4) **Standard PHA** - A PHA that owns or manages 250 or more public housing units and any number of vouchers where the total combined units exceeds 550, and that was designated as a standard performer in the most recent PHAS and SEMAP assessments.

(5) **Troubled PHA** - A PHA that achieves an overall PHAS or SEMAP score of less than 60 percent.

(6) **Qualified PHA** - A PHA with 550 or fewer public housing dwelling units and/or housing choice vouchers combined, and is not PHAS or SEMAP troubled.

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### A. PHA Information.

#### A.1

| PHA Name: Housing Authority of the City of Longview dba Housing Opportunities of Southwest Washington | PHA Code: WA007 |
| PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): 10/2016 |
| PHA Inventory (Based on Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) units at time of FY beginning, above): |
| Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs): 1392 |
| PHA Plan Submission Type: | Annual Submission |
| | Revised Annual Submission |

Availability of Information. In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information of the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan, but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official website.

Information is available at:

- PHA’s main business office at 820 11th Ave., Longview WA 98632
- PHA’s VIP Office at 1207 Commerce Ave., Longview WA 98632
- Lilac Place, 1315 Glenwood St., Woodland WA 98674
- Hawthorne House Apartments, 1400 Woodside St., Woodland WA 98674
- PHA’s website at [www.hoswwa.org](http://www.hoswwa.org)

| PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a joint Plan and complete table below) |

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### B. Annual Plan.

#### B.1 Revision of PHA Plan Elements.

(a) Have the following PHA Plan elements been revised by the PHA since its last Annual Plan submission?

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| X | X | Informal Review and Hearing Procedures.  
| X | X | Homeownership Programs.  
| X | X | Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements.  
| X | X | Substantial Deviation.  
| X | X | Significant Amendment/Modification.  

(b) If the PHA answered yes for any element, describe the revisions for each element(s):

This section of the agency's Administrative Policy was modified.

#### 6-III.B. FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS AFFECTING MINIMUM RENT [24 CFR 5.630] Overview

If the PHA establishes a minimum rent greater than zero, the PHA must grant an exemption from the minimum rent if a family is unable to pay the minimum rent because of financial hardship. The financial hardship exemption applies only to families required to pay the minimum rent. If a family's TTP is higher than the minimum rent, the family is not eligible for a hardship exemption. If the PHA determines that a hardship exists, the family share is the highest of the remaining components of the family's calculated TTP.

PHA Policy

The financial hardship rules described below do not apply in this jurisdiction because the PHA has established a minimum rent of $0.

#### B.2 New Activities

(a) Does the PHA intend to undertake any new activities related to the following in the PHA's current Fiscal Year?

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| Y | X | Project Based Vouchers.  

(b) If this activity is planned for the current Fiscal Year, describe the activities. Provide the projected number of project-based units and general locations, and describe how project-basing would be consistent with the PHA Plan.

HOSWWA is pursuing a development plan and subsequent approval from HUD to attach housing choice vouchers to multiple sites in Pacific County. HOSWWA anticipates the project will have Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, and will convert 42 HCV to PBV. The expected population would include homeless households, all qualifying as elderly, disabled and/or will have supportive services on site. It is anticipated the local Community Action Council, Behavioral Health provider or Crisis Support Network will provide services to 100% of the resident population.

HOSWWA is also requesting attachment of 35 HCV to a project in Lewis County. HOSWWA anticipates the project will also have Low-Income Housing Tax Credits. Staff anticipates this project would also include homeless households, all qualifying as either elderly, disabled and/or will have supportive services. HOSWWA recently approved a proposal and has identified a suitable project in Lewis County. Request for approval by HUD is pending.

HOSWWA continues to pursue creation and preservation of affordable housing in our rural jurisdictions. All development projects where HOSWWA is an owner or partner are done with the intention of ensuring equal opportunity and affirmatively furthering fair housing for all income qualifying families.
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Progress Report.

Provide a description of the PHA’s progress in meeting its Mission and Goals described in its 5-Year PHA Plan.

Goals in 5-year plan, and progress on those goals:

**Goal #1:** Complete construction on a 38 unit project utilizing funding from Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Clark County HOME and CDBG, Home Depot, Washington State Housing Finance Commission and HUD. Upon completion (anticipated July 2014) project will be owned and managed by HOSWWA.

*Progress toward Goal #1:* This project was completed and ready for occupancy July 2, 2014.

**Goal #2:** With partial HUD funding restored, HOSWWA will work diligently towards 100% utilization of Housing Choice Vouchers as long as sufficient funding is appropriated by Congress.

*Progress toward Goal #2:* Anticipating RAP and Administrative Fee funding continue to be partially restored, together with recent regulatory changes to reduce administrative burden, staff have achieved and expect to maintain 100% utilization of the HCV program.

**Goal #3:** Continue development and preservation of affordable housing. This will be done through development of new housing and acquisition/rehab of existing housing throughout our jurisdiction as opportunities arise. Emphasis will be on expanding housing where gaps in supply have been identified in the Consolidated Plans. Every effort will be made to leverage other public and private funds where available.

*Progress toward Goal #3:* HOSWWA staff received Board approval, and has notified HUD of their intention to attach 42 Housing Choice Vouchers to two projects in Pacific County, and 35 in Lewis County, all targeted towards homeless, who are elderly, disabled and/or receiving supportive services. A Pacific County project has been identified, and is pending approval of a Housing Trust Fund application. The Lewis County RFP has been approved and a project has been identified. Request for HUD approval is pending.

**Goal #4:** Expand the supply of assisted housing by applying for additional rental vouchers and tenant based rental assistance when opportunities arise.

*Progress toward Goal #4:* In 2014 and 2015, HUD awarded HOSWWA an additional 10 VASH vouchers. At this writing HOSWWA has a total of 35 VASH vouchers, with nearly 90% utilization. Additionally, due to successful full utilization of State TBRA dollars, the State of Washington awarded additional funding to supplement the original award. As opportunities become available, staff will continue applying for vouchers and other types of assistance that will best benefit the jurisdiction.

**Goal #5:** Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households. HOSWWA will pursue funding opportunities to expand the Rent Well Program to improve tenant education and rental housing choice options.

*Progress toward Goal #5:* The Rent Well program was not refunded on a local level. This very successful program was realigned with another department and other funding sources. Rent Well continues to be a very important resource and education tool for the local homeless population. Additionally, staff is pursuing the creation of a non-profit specifically designed for asset development and promotion of self-sufficiency.

**Goal #6:** Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing by providing continuous training opportunities for staff and undertaking affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to all.

*Progress toward Goal #6:* All staff at HOSWWA are required to participate in annual fair housing training.

**Goal #7:** Improve public awareness and conduct outreach efforts to increase awareness about available programs.

*Progress toward Goal #7:* Staff has recently completed an extensive process of changing the name of the organization to reflect activity in the four county Region. This involved completely revising and updating the Agency Strategic Plan. This plan includes a campaign to increase public awareness of agency purpose, mission, programs and activities throughout the jurisdiction.

**Goal #8:** Continue to improve program integrity and quality of service by working to identify administrative efficiencies and streamlining procedures.

*Progress toward Goal #8:* This is ongoing.

**Goal #9:** Increase affordable homeownership opportunities through development of new housing, rehabilitation and resale of existing units and identification of new funding sources for acquisition, development, rehabilitation and down payment assistance.

*Progress toward Goal #9:* HOSWWA staff includes a full-time Real Estate Broker to increase successful and affordable housing options in rural areas of our jurisdiction.

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Goal #10: Provide development assistance to smaller partner agencies to increase affordable housing options in other rural areas.
Progress toward Goal #10: HOSWWA is the staff for Joint Pacific County Housing Authority, which does not have any vouchers or allocations of funding. Pacific County is 100% rural and has special needs due to loss of industry and living wages jobs, the distance to urban areas, age and conditions of units and general lack of affordable rental units that meet the needs of low-income households.
HOSWWA is working extensively with JPCHA to seek out funding to develop affordable housing projects, create partnerships to provide resident services and preserve existing affordable housing projects in the area. HOSWWA is the PHA for Lewis County. There are no allocations of vouchers assigned to Lewis County, but HOSWWA separately tracks vouchers and other subsidies provided for the area. HOSWWA continues to work with partners to preserve existing affordable housing projects, and develop new projects that will meet the unique needs of low-income households in Lewis County.

Goal #11: Work with local service providers to identify potential partnership opportunities to expand the supply of housing and supportive services.
Progress toward Goal #11: HOSWWA is working extensively with local partners including JANUS, Columbia Wellness, Drug Abuse Prevention Center, Reliable Enterprises, Love Overwhelming, Emergency Support Shelter, and Crisis Support Network among others, to encourage collaboration when creating new affordable housing options with support services in the jurisdiction. HOSWWA intends to thoroughly research and implement a limited waiting list preference or set aside that will create a direct referral from the local Coordinated Entry. The purpose will be to identify the most vulnerable population in our communities and create sensible and workable housing solutions to the local homeless crisis.

Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.
(a) Did the RAB(s) provide comments to the PHA Plan?

Y N ✗ ☐

(a) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations.
Instructions for Preparation of Form HUD-50075-HCV
Annual PHA Plan for HCV Only PHAs

A. PHA Information. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.23(4)(c))

A.1 Include the full PHA Name, PHA Code, PHA Type, PHA Fiscal Year Beginning (MM/YYYY), Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs), PHA Plan Submission Type, and the Availability of Information, specific location(s) of all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan.

PHA Consortia: Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete the table. (24 CFR §943.128(a))

B. Annual Plan. All PHAs must complete this section. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3))

B.1 Revision of PHA Plan Elements. PHAs must:

Identify specifically which plan elements listed below that have been revised by the PHA. To specify which elements have been revised, mark the “yes” box. If an element has not been revised, mark “no.”

☒ Housing Needs and Strategy for Addressing Housing Needs. Provide a statement addressing the housing needs of low-income, very low-income families who reside in the PHA’s jurisdiction and other families who are on the Section 8 tenant-based waiting list. The statement must identify the housing needs of (i) families with incomes below 30 percent of area median income (extremely low-income), (ii) elderly families and families with disabilities, and (iii) households of various races and ethnic groups residing in the jurisdiction or on the waiting list based on information provided by the applicable Consolidated Plan, information provided by HUD, and each generally available data. The identification of housing needs must address issues of affordability, supply, quality, accessibility, size of units, and location. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(1) and 24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(i)). Provide a description of the PHA’s strategy for addressing the housing needs of families in the jurisdiction and on the waiting list in the upcoming year. (24 CFR §903.7(a)(2)(ii))

☒ Deconcentration and Other Policies that Govern Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions. A statement of the PHA’s policies that govern resident or tenant eligibility, selection and admission including admission preferences for HCV. (24 CFR §903.3(b))

☒ Financial Resources. A statement of financial resources, including a listing by general categories, of the PHA’s anticipated resources, such as PHA HCV funding and other anticipated Federal resources available to the PHA, as well as tenant rents and other income available to support tenant-based assistance. The statement also should include the non-Federal sources of funds supporting each Federal program, and state the planned use for the resources. (24 CFR §903.7(c))

☒ Rent Determination. A statement of the policies of the PHA governing rental contributions of families receiving tenant-based assistance, discretionary minimum tenant rents, and payment standard policies. (24 CFR §903.7(d))

☒ Operation and Management. A statement that includes a description of PHA management organization, and a listing of the programs administered by the PHA. (24 CFR §903.7(c)(3)(d)).

☒ Informal Review and Hearing Procedures. A description of the informal hearing and review procedures that the PHA makes available to its applicants. (24 CFR §903.7(f))

☒ Homeownership Programs. A statement describing any homeownership programs (including project number and unit count) administered by the agency under section 8 of the 1937 Act, or for which the PHA has applied or will apply for approval. (24 CFR §903.7(k))

☒ Self Sufficiency Programs and Treatment of Income Changes Resulting from Welfare Program Requirements. A description of any PHA programs relating to services and amenities coordinated, promoted, or provided by the PHA for assisted families, including those resulting from the PHA’s partnerships with other entities, for the enhancement of the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families, including programs provided or offered as a result of the PHA’s partnerships with other entities, and activities under section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 and under requirements for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program and others. Include the program’s size (including required and actual size of the FSS program) and means of allocating assistance to households. (24 CFR §903.7(l)(i)). Describe how the PHA will comply with the requirements of section 12(c) and (d) of the 1937 Act that relate to treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements. (24 CFR §903.7(l)(ii))

☒ Substantial Deviation. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a “substantial deviation” to its 5-Year Plan. (24 CFR §903.7(e)(2)(ii))

☒ Significant Amendment/Modification. PHA must provide its criteria for determining a “Significant Amendment or Modification” to its 5-Year and Annual Plan. Should the PHA fail to define “significant amendment/modification”, HUD will consider the following to be ‘significant amendments or modifications’: a) changes to rent or admissions policies or organization of the waiting list; or b) any change with regard to homeownership programs. See guidance on HUD’s website at: Notice PHH 1999-51. (24 CFR §903.7(g)(2)(ii))

If any boxes are marked “yes”, describe the revision(s) to those element(s) in the space provided.

B.2 New Activity. If the PHA intends to undertake new activity using Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) for new Project-Based Vouchers (PBVs) in the current Fiscal Year, mark “yes” for this element, and describe the activities to be undertaken in the space provided. If the PHA does not plan to undertake this activity, mark “no.” (24 CFR §983.57(b)(1) and Section 8(13)(C) of the United States Housing Act of 1937.)
B.3 Most Recent Fiscal Year Audit. If the results of the most recent fiscal year audit for the FHA included any findings, mark “yes” and describe those findings in the space provided. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3), 24 CFR §903.7(p))

B.4 Civil Rights Certification. Form HUD-50077, PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. This includes all certifications relating to Civil Rights and related regulations. A PHA will be considered in compliance with the AFFH Certification if it can document that it examines its programs and proposed programs to identify any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with the local jurisdiction to implement any of the jurisdiction’s initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing; and assures that the annual plan is consistent with any applicable Consolidated Plan for its jurisdiction. (24 CFR §903.7(g))

B.5 Certification by State or Local Officials. Form HUD-50077-SL, Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, including the manner in which the applicable plan contents are consistent with the Consolidated Plans, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.15)

B.6 Progress Report. For all Annual Plans following submission of the first Annual Plan, a PHA must include a brief statement of the PHA’s progress in meeting the mission and goals described in the 5-Year PHA Plan. (24 CFR §903.11(c)(3), 24 CFR §903.7(c)(1))

B.7 Resident Advisory Board (RAB) comments. If the RAB provided comments to the annual plan, mark “yes,” submit the comments as an attachment to the Plan and describe the analysis of the comments and the PHA’s decision made on these recommendations. (24 CFR §903.13(c), 24 CFR §903.19)

This information collection is authorized by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act, which added a new section 5A to the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, which introduced the Annual PHA Plan. The Annual PHA Plan provides a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA’s operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public for serving the needs of low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families.

Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 4.5 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not collect this information, and respondents are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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