4TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ASSISTED HOUSING MOBILITY

June 10-11, 2010 at the Urban Institute
2100 M St. NW, Washington, DC

Annotated Agenda

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL POLICY OPPORTUNITIES 9:00 – 12:00

Welcome and Introduction on Housing Mobility
Margery Austin Turner, the Urban Institute
Philip Tegeler, Poverty and Race Research Action Council

The Role of Assisted Housing Mobility across HUD Programs, and the Proposed Transforming Rental Assistance program
Barbara Sard, Senior Adviser to the HUD Secretary for Rental Assistance

Powerpoint: Transforming Rental Assistance
PRRAC Memo: Mobility Provisions in PETRA

Housing Mobility and the Sustainable Communities Initiative
Mariia Zimmerman, HUD Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities

Powerpoint: Overview of the Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities
HUD Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities Website
Leveraging the Partnership: DOT, HUD, and EPA Programs for Sustainable Communities
David Rusk, "Sustainable, Inclusive Communities"

The Choice Neighborhoods Program: Housing Mobility in the Special Context of Public Housing Demolition and Redevelopment
Carol Galante, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Multifamily Programs

NOFA Pre-Notice: Choice Neighborhoods FY 2010

Section 8 Voucher Reform

Changes in FMR Calculation/Exception Rents
Kurt G. Usowski, HUD Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs

Powerpoint: Small Area Fair Market Rents
Notice from the Federal Register: Demonstration Project of Small Area FMR in Certain Metropolitan Areas for Fiscal Year 2011

Recent Progress on the SEMAP Deconcentration Standard, Section 8 Housing Quality

Standards, and Streamlining of the Portability Process
Mike Dennis, HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing

RECENT RESEARCH ON HOUSING MOBILITY 12:00 – 2:00

Research Overview
Margery Turner, The Urban Institute
Powerpoint: What Can We Learn from MTO?

Retaining Opportunity Moves
Stefanie DeLuca, Johns Hopkins University, Department of Sociology
Powerpoint: Sustaining and Promoting Opportunity through Assisted Mobility: A Focus on Schools and Residential Stability

Residential Turnover in Low-Income Neighborhoods
Brett Theodos, the Urban Institute
Powerpoint: Churning Families: Moving as a Cause and Reflection of Instability

IMPLEMENTATION AND PROGRAM DESIGN 2:15 pm -5:15pm

What should a new federal mobility demonstration look like? What challenges face mobility programs today? What are best practices to overcome these obstacles? What should the HUD standard mobility program be across programs? How do mobility programs differ in the context of housing demolition?

An overview of the field and "key program ingredients"

Survey of Mobility Program Practices: Results
Mary Cunningham, the Urban Institute
Powerpoint: Housing Mobility Programs

Measuring Best Practices
Barbara Sard, Senior Adviser to the HUD Secretary for Rental Assistance
Powerpoint: Transforming Rental Assistance: Expanding Families' Housing Choices
Handout: Policies and Services to Expand Housing Choice

Practitioner roundtable:

Panel 1: In-depth examination of programs that are "working" in successfully placing families in low poverty, high opportunity neighborhoods: what program features matter most?

Jerrold M. Levy

Enhanced Section 8 Program, Yonkers and Westchester

Demetria McCain
Inclusive Communities Project, Dallas
Powerpoint: Inclusive Communities Project, Inc.

Jim Evans
Metro Baltimore Quadel
A Progress Report on the Baltimore Housing Mobility Program

Kate Walz
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law (Chicago)

Panel 2: What are some of the most important challenges and choices face new and emerging programs? What are the key obstacles to success? Are there special considerations and challenges when housing mobility is part of a relocation program?

Jennifer O'Neil
Quadel, Consulting Corporation

Judith Liben
Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (Fall River MA)

Lynntoya Washington
Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburg

Alex Polikoff
Business and Professional People for the Public Interest (Chicago)

Responses from HUD staff

Michelle Aronowitz
HUD Office of General Counsel

Mike Dennis
HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing

Laure Rawson
HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

VOUCHER DISCRIMINATION AND FAIR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT 9:00 – 12:00

Opening Remarks

The Central Role of Fair Housing Enforcement in Promoting Section 8 Voucher Mobility
John Trasviña, HUD Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing

PRRAC Memo: AFFH and Voucher Discrimination Provision of New HUD NOFA

Recent Research on Voucher Discrimination, Voucher Concentration, and Source of Income Discrimination Laws

Research on Voucher Discrimination and Utilization
Martha Galvez, Seattle Housing Authority and NYU Furman Center

Powerpoint: Source of Income Discrimination: Research Overview and Evidence from Seattle

Voucher Concentration and Portability in Illinois
Janet Smith, University of Illinois at Chicago
Kate Walz, Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law

Report: Are We Home Yet? Creating Real Choice for Housing Choice Voucher Families in Chicago

Handout: Summary of "Moving or Moving Up?" Report (to be released in July 2010)

Mapping Voucher Concentration in Relation to Opportunity
Michael Hanley, Empire Justice Center

Powerpoint: Using HUD's Updated "2000" and "2008" Picture of Subsidized Households to Monitor Voucher Use by Minority Households

Housing Voucher Location Patterns
Erika Poethig, Deputy Assistant Secretary, HUD Office of Policy Development and Research

Powerpoint: Housing Choice Voucher Location Patterns: Research Results

State and Federal Options to Address Voucher Discrimination
Voucher discrimination in LIHTC and HOME developments, investigating voucher discrimination using the FHIP program, etc.

Fred Freiberg
Fair Housing Justice Center, New York

Handout: Proposed Initiatives for Consideration by HUD to Address Source of Income Discrimination against Voucher Holders

Lisa Rice
National Fair Housing Alliance

Bryan Greene
General Deputy Assistant Secretary, HUD Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

The Role of Fair Housing Litigation in Expanding Housing Mobility

Elizabeth Julian
Inclusive Communities Project

Michael Allen
Relman, Dane & Colfax, PLLC

Powerpoint: The Role of Litigation in Expanding Housing Mobility
Conciliation Agreement: Texas Low Income Housing Information Service and Texas Appleseed v. State of Texas

VOICES OF INTEGRATION: ENGAGING CLIENTS AND THE PUBLIC 12:30 – 1:30

Barbara Samuels
ACLU of Maryland, Baltimore

Powerpoint: Thompson v. HUD, Client Feedback and Leadership Development Program

Demetria McCain
Inclusive Communities Project, Dallas

Video: Inclusive Communities Project, Client Interview 2009
Letter from ICP to HUD Secretary re: Follow up to the Transforming of Rental Assistance

INTERSECTIONS IN HOUSING MOBILITY POLICY 1:30 – 4:00

Enlisting HUD Housing Counseling Programs in the Housing Mobility Effort

Brian Siebenlist
HUD Office of Housing Counseling

Janis Bowdler
National Council of La Raza

Hector Gamboa
Spanish Coalition for Housing, Chicago

Chicago Latinos and the Housing Choice Voucher Program

Housing Mobility and Health

Health Impact Assessment and the Voucher Program
Dolores Acevedo Garcia, Northeastern University
Powerpoint: The Housing Choice Voucher Program and Health

Health Mobility Vouchers: A Prescription for a New Neighborhood
Kami Kruckenberg, Poverty and Race Research Action Council

Health Mobility Vouchers: Building a Constituency
Brian Smedley, Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

Commentary
Fred Karnas, Senior Adviser to the HUD Secretary for Housing and Services

NEXT STEPS 4:00 – 4:30
Phil Tegeler, Poverty and Race Research Action Council