



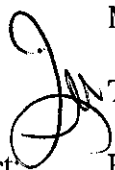
**Berkeley Housing Authority**

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*Office of the Executive Director*

Item 7A  
ACTION CALENDAR  
September 16, 2010

To: Honorable Chairperson and  
Members of the Berkeley Housing Authority

From:  Tia M. Ingram, Executive Director

Subject: Receive public comment and consider a resolution authorizing the following actions to allow for participation in the “subsidy only” component of HUD’s Homeless Intervention Study being conducted by ABT Associates, Inc.: (a) amend the Administrative Plan to include a preference for homeless families referred to BHA by the study team, (b) amend the Administrative Plan to allocate a maximum of 10 vouchers for use in the Study, and (c) authorize the Executive Director to open the Section 8 Wait List for individuals in the Study for the duration of the project, or until the 10 vouchers have been utilized.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Receive public comment and approve adoption of a Resolution authorizing the following actions to allow for participation in the “subsidy only” component of HUD’s Homeless Intervention Study being conducted by ABT Associates, Inc.: (a) amend the Administrative Plan to include a preference for homeless families referred to BHA by the study team, (b) amend the Administrative Plan to allocate a maximum of 10 vouchers for use in the Study, and (c) authorize the Executive Director to open the Section 8 Wait List for individuals in the Study for the duration of the project, or until the 10 vouchers have been utilized.

**BACKGROUND**

We reported to the Board in May and June, that we had garnered acceptance in HUD’s national Homeless Intervention Study, to be conducted by ABT Associates, Inc.

On July 8, 2010 the Board approved Resolution No. 10-42, which (a) amended the Administrative Plan to include a preference for homeless families in the 2010 Study, (b) amended the Administrative Plan to allocate a maximum of 10 vouchers for use in the Study, and (c) authorized the Executive Director to open the Section 8 Wait List for individuals in the Study for the duration of the project, or until the 10 vouchers have been utilized.

On July 23, 2010, we advised the Board of a potential challenge to our action – because we did not provide 30-day advance notice of the changes to the Administrative Plan as is required for a “substantative change.”

STATUS

We cured that potential deficiency, and request that the Board rescind the previously adopted resolution, and approve the resolution attached hereto. More information on the status of the actual project is included in the Executive Director's Status Report.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachment:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 10-\_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS TO ALLOW FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE "SUBSIDY ONLY" COMPONENT OF HUD'S HOMELESS INTERVENTION STUDY BEING CONDUCTED BY ABT ASSOCIATES, INC.: (A) AMEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN TO INCLUDE A PREFERENCE FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES REFERRED TO BHA BY THE STUDY TEAM, (B) AMEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN TO ALLOCATE A MAXIMUM OF 10 VOUCHERS FOR USE IN THE STUDY, AND (C) AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO OPEN THE SECTION 8 WAIT LIST FOR INDIVIDUALS IN THE STUDY FOR THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT, OR UNTIL THE 10 VOUCHERS HAVE BEEN UTILIZED.

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Housing Authority was invited to participate in HUD's Homeless Intervention study, performed by ABT Associates; and,

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Housing Authority invited Berkeley Housing Authority and Oakland Housing Authority to partner on this study; and,

WHEREAS, Berkeley Housing Authority agreed to participate in the study by providing 10 vouchers to 10 homeless families; and,

WHEREAS, Berkeley Housing Authority will change the preference points to 100 points for these families to gain admittance to the top of the waitlist to be opened again for this specific purpose.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, that Resolution No. 10-42, adopted on July 8, 2010 be rescinded.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following actions, to allow for participation in the "subsidy only" component of HUD's Homeless Intervention Study being conducted by ABT Associates, Inc. will occur: (a) amend the Administrative Plan to include a preference for homeless families in the 2010 Study, (b) amend the Administrative Plan to allocate a maximum of 10 vouchers for use in the Study, and (c) authorize the Executive Director to open the Section 8 Wait List for individuals in the Study for the duration of the project, or until the 10 vouchers have been utilized.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of the Berkeley Housing Authority on September 16, 2010 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Tia M. Ingram, Secretary