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NEW BUSINESS  
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TO: Honorable Chairperson and  
Members of the Berkeley Housing Authority Board

FROM: *for* William E. Wilkins, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

**Development Planning Consultant Update**

Contract negotiations with Lesar Development Consultants have been discontinued. With two potential new BHA board members scheduled to be appointed by the Mayor sometime by the end of the calendar year, staff believes the Board would want their input regarding development potential. Lastly, there is uncertainty as to whether there are any viable projects for BHA to partner with at this time, and BHA remains in HAP shortfall status.

**Mainstream Voucher Program Update**

As you are aware, HUD recently awarded BHA 40 Mainstream Vouchers. These Vouchers are for single person disabled households or those households with a disabled member between the ages of 18 and not yet 62, homeless, or at risk of homelessness, or exiting an institution. BHA is partnering with The North County Homeless Hub (30 Vouchers), and the Center for Independent Living (CIL), 5 Vouchers) on this program. Five Mainstream Vouchers will be processed from BHA's currently closed Tenant-based waiting list.

If you believe someone you know may qualify for one of these Mainstream Vouchers, you may refer those who are currently homeless or at risk of homelessness directly to the Homeless Hub, located at 1901 Fairview. Or, if exiting an institution, such as a skilled nursing facility, you may refer to CIL, 3075 Adeline.

**Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Coordinator Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)**

HUD released the FY2018 NOFA for FSS Coordinator funding. Unfortunately BHA has not been eligible to apply for this funding, and is still not eligible for this round, even though we are operating the FSS program. The NOFA criteria states: applicants will only be eligible for funding if funded under any of the FY 2015, FY 2016, and/or FY 2017 FSS NOFAs. Because of BHA's HUD-approved hiatus from operating the FSS program (via two official waivers), we have remained off of the eligibility list. We are attempting to work with HUD to see how BHA may get back on the list of eligible housing authorities to apply for this funding.

**BHA Dashboard Report**

Because of the timing in which the HUD nation-wide PIC (Public and Indian Housing Information Center) database reports are provided to housing authorities, staff will not be reporting November dashboard data until the Jan. meeting (Board is at recess during the month of December).