Proposed FY2024 MTW Annual Plan
Frequently Asked Questions
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Governance

Q. Who are the decision-makers for Moving to Work?

A. DCHA’s Moving to Work (MTW) Standard Agreement with HUD outlines the flexibilities DCHA may exercise as an MTW Agency. With input from stakeholders throughout the year and, more robustly, during the annual planning process, DCHA determines how the Agency proposes to leverage those flexibilities in the year ahead. DCHA submits its plans for leveraging MTW flexibilities to HUD via the Agency’s MTW Annual Plan, receiving approval so long as the plan aligns with the stipulations in the MTW Standard Agreement.

To see DCHA’s MTW Standard Agreement, please visit https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/DOC_10184.PDF.

Q. Who is the Citywide Advisory Board?

A. The Citywide Advisory Board (CWAB) is an elected body of resident leaders from across the portfolio. Its primary role is consulting with DCHA on the Agency’s Moving to Work (MTW) Annual Plan and demolition/disposition applications.

Development

Q. When will Kelly Miller go thru RAD?

A. DCHA has not yet submitted a RAD application to HUD for Kelly Miller. The Agency is considering applying for the 40 walk-up units at the Kelly Miller Townhomes in FY2024. Before applying, the Agency must deliver notice to residents and conduct two resident meetings to discuss residents’ rights, basic information about RAD, and conversion plans. For additional information about the RAD conversion process, please refer to HUD’s RAD Conversion Fact Sheet at https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/Housing/documents/RADResidentFactSheet_3_RADConversionProcess.pdf.

Updated Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) and Administrative Plan

A number of questions were asked regarding policies – including lease agreements, flat rents and rent reasonableness determinations – updated in the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) and Administrative Plan earlier this spring for which DCHA is now electing to use HUD’s standard process rather than MTW Authority.
For additional information about these items, please refer to the materials on DCHA’s website at https://www.dchousing.org/wordpress/about-us/plans-and-reports/. DCHA is currently training staff on the new policies and procedures and will conduct information campaigns for residents and participants following this training and as the new policies and procedures take effect.

**Other DCHA Programs**

**Q. Why not train residents for Section 3?**

A. Section 3 is an important procurement requirement through which DCHA and its contractors offer job, sub-contracting, and training opportunities to DCHA clients and other low-income residents of the District of Columbia. In addition to Section 3 opportunities, DCHA uses its MTW single-fund flexibility and partnerships with numerous organizations to provide training opportunities through the EnVision Center, including nationally-recognized certification programs through the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) and Cisco Networking Academy, painting and OSHA 10 certifications, food handlers’, CPR and first aid certifications, financial literacy courses, job search assistance including resume support and referrals, and more. Additionally, DCHA offers a modified apprenticeship training program to directly provide on-the-job, earn-as-you learn opportunities to DCHA clients.

**Q. What was Housing Affordable Living Options (HALO)?**

A. Originally, DCHA created HALO using its MTW single-fund flexibility to assist its eligible voucher program families in moving to opportunity areas in the District of Columbia. DCHA no longer operates its Housing Affordable Living Options (HALO) program since the agency works with all voucher holders to meet their housing goals.