

HOUSING INNOVATION OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

MTW is a HUD program that gives housing authorities flexibility around certain federal rules and regulations and allows the agency to implement local solutions. The Housing Authority of Washington County (HAWC) was selected for MTW status in May 2021. Our agreement is for participation for 20 years. This is our first submission of proposed MTW activities.



2022 MTW ACTIVITIES

TIERED RENT PROGRAM

A tiered rent program to simplify calculating rent costs. Households selected for the program will use a tiered rent table to determine rent and will have reviews every three years. [Click here](#) for more information on this program.

Who will be impacted? Only work-able households will be eligible for selection. Senior and disabled households will not be eligible.

SIMPLIFIED RENT CALCULATION

Simplifies aspects of the rent calculation for our residents and participants, including: 1) income verification; 2) asset calculation; 3) medical expenses; 4) Earned Income Disallowance (EID); and 5) mixed-eligibility proration.

Who will be impacted? Households that currently include assets or medical expenses in their rent calculation, those participating in the EID program, and mixed-eligibility households.

TRIENNIAL REVIEWS

Changes reviews for qualifying seniors and people with disabilities to once every three years.

Who will be impacted? Households where all adults in the household are a senior (age 62+) or a person with disabilities.

HQS INSPECTION PROCESSES

Simplifies the HQS inspection process.

Who will be impacted? These are internal process changes that will not have a significant impact on our residents and participants.

LOCAL PROJECT-BASED VOUCHER PROGRAM

Creates a local Project-Based Voucher (PBV) program, designed to be administratively efficient and increase the availability of Project-Based Vouchers.

Who will be impacted? These changes only apply to our Project-Based Voucher households. Most are internal process changes.

VOUCHER SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

Creates a program to set aside vouchers when partnering with a service provider to assist a vulnerable target population.

Who will be impacted? This activity is for new programs that will serve specific populations in our community.

STRATEGIC WAITLISTS

Creates deliberate waitlist strategies in the PBV and Voucher Set-Aside programs.

Who will be impacted? These are internal process changes that will not have a significant impact on our residents and participants.

These activities only apply to households in our Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) programs. Activities will be implemented after July 2022. More information will be shared with households as details are available. Questions or comments? [Email MTW_WashingtonCounty@co.washington.or.us](mailto:Email_MTW_WashingtonCounty@co.washington.or.us).