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Resident Notification of Moving to Work Application

Dear Residents and Participants,

On behalf of the Montgomery Housing Authority (MHA), I am writing to let you know that the MHA is applying for the Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration program, and we would like your input.

Moving to Work (MTW) is a demonstration program for Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) that provides them the opportunity to design and test innovative, locally designed strategies that use federal dollars more efficiently, help residents find employment and become self-sufficient and increase housing choices for low-income families. MTW allows PHAs exemptions from many existing public housing and voucher rules and provides funding flexibility as to how PHAs can use their federal funds.

MTW agencies have the flexibility to find new approaches that accomplish three primary goals:

1. Reducing costs and achieving greater cost-effectiveness of federal expenditures;
2. Giving incentives to families with children where the head of household is seeking work or is preparing for work by participating in job training, educational programs or programs that assist people to obtain employment and become economically self-sufficient; and
3. Increasing housing choices for low-income families.

The MHA will be applying for Cohort #3 of the MTW Expansion, which will test work requirements that aim to increase self-sufficiency.

The MHA will host **two** resident meetings, to be held both in-person and via video conference on:

- **Monday, May 17, 2021, at 3:30 pm**
- **Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 5:30 pm**

The in-person meetings will be held at:

**Montgomery Housing Authority
525 South Lawrence Street
Montgomery, AL 36104**

If you would like to join the meetings via Zoom video conference, please go to the following link:

- <https://zoom.us/j/2871462234?pwd=Q0p3Rm5QelJJb1ZMUlVrS0Jmb1hldz09>

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During these resident meetings, the MHA will:

- Provide a timeline for implementing the local work requirement policy, if selected. HUD notes that it may take a PHA up to 18 months to prepare for the implementation of the local work requirement policy.
- Give an overview of the eligible Households for the local work requirement policy and an explanation that random assignment (i.e., a lottery) will be used to determine which eligible Households are subject to the local work requirement policy; and
- Provide an explanation of how the hardship policy will help assisted households if compliance with the local work requirement policy creates a significant hardship for families.

During these meetings, the MHA will discuss other waivers that may be implemented with the MTW demonstration program, which we hope will provide greater housing choice for our families and improve the economic growth of our Montgomery, Alabama community.

A public hearing will also be held to discuss the MTW Plan, the Local Work Requirement Policy and to invite public comment. The hearing will be held in-person and via video conference on:

- **Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at 4 p.m.**

The in-person meeting will be held at:

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If you would like to join this public hearing meeting via Zoom video conference, please go to the following link:

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If you have questions or require a reasonable accommodation to participate in these discussions, please contact Brandie Townsend, Director of Resident Services, at (334) 593-9617. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,



Damon E. Duncan
Chief Executive Officer