

may be used by the PHA for the provision of low income housing assistance.

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§ 970.10 Costs of demolition and relocation of displaced tenants.

Where HUD has approved demolition of a project, or a portion of a project, and the proposed action is part of a modernization program under the Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program (24 CFR part 968), the costs of demolition and of relocation of displaced tenants may be included in the modernization budget.

§ 970.11 Replacement housing plan.

(a) *One-for-one replacement.* HUD may not approve an application or furnish assistance under this part unless the PHA submitting the application for demolition or disposition also submits a plan for the provision of an additional decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable rental dwelling unit (at rents no higher than permitted under the Act) for each public housing dwelling unit to be demolished or disposed of under the application, except as provided in paragraph (j) of this section. A replacement housing plan may provide for the location of the replacement housing outside the political boundaries of the locality of the PHA, provided all relevant program requirements are satisfied including the approval of the replacement housing plan by the unit of general local government in which the project being demolished or disposed is located. In order to assure that all program requirements are satisfied, the PHA must enter into any necessary agreements, including where applicable, the execution of a Cooperation Agreement between the PHA and the locality in which the replacement housing will be located, prior to submission of the replacement housing plan to HUD for approval. In addition, the PHA must ensure that such agreements provide that the families selected for occupancy in the replacement housing will be families who would have been eligible for occupancy in the replacement housing if it had been replaced in the same locality as the project being demolished or dis-

posed. The plan must include any one or combination of the following:

(1) The acquisition or development of additional public housing dwelling units;

(2) The use of 15-year project-based assistance under section 8, to the extent available, or if such assistance is not available, in the case of an application proposing demolition or disposition of 200 or more dwelling units in a development, the use of available project-based assistance under section 8 having a term of not less than 5 years;

(3) The use of not less than 15-year project-based assistance under other Federal programs, to the extent available, or if such assistance is not available, in the case of an application proposing the demolition or disposition of 200 or more dwelling units in a development, the use of available project-based assistance under other Federal programs having a term of not less than 5 years. (NOTE: In the case of 15-year project based assistance under other Federal programs, the Department has determined that low-income housing credits under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Service Code is a Federal program providing 15-year project-based assistance and, therefore, qualifies as a source of replacement housing. Any replacement housing plan proposing the use of these credits must assure that the low-income housing units in the low-income housing credit project which are designated as replacement housing will be reserved for low-income families for the requisite period. Units which at the time of allocation of the credit are also receiving Federal assistance under Section 8 (except tenant-based assistance) or Section 23 of the Act, or Section 236, 221(d)(3) BMIR or Section 221(d)(5) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), or Section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s), or other similar Federal program, are not eligible as replacement housing under paragraph (a)(3) of this section.);

(4) The acquisition or development of dwelling units assisted under a State or local government program that provides for project-based rental assistance comparable in terms of eligibility,