

MN 212 Washington County CDA 5 Year Annual PHA Plan 2025-2029

Expand Housing Opportunities

PHA Goal: Expand the supply of assisted housing

Objectives: Create more housing choices to match the needs of a diverse workforce and to provide access to quality affordable housing for owners and renters alike.

- Apply for additional rental assistance programs as available.
- Administer a homeownership program in conjunction with federal, state and/or local resources.
- Create new assisted units utilizing the CDA's available Faircloth authority, including but not limited to the construction completion and RAD conversion of Bluestem Apartments.

PHA Goal: Improve the quality of assisted housing

Objectives:

- Maintain or improve voucher management using HOTMA program standards.
- Complete annual reviews of both the Administrative Plan and the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Plan.
- Convert remaining public housing units to rental assistance platform (tenant-based or project-based) to ensure long-term financial feasibility of units.

PHA Goal: Increase assisted housing choices

Objectives: Increase the opportunity to obtain stable housing for families, singles, seniors and persons with disabilities.

- Increase voucher payment standards as allowed by budget authority.
- Create partnerships with property owners/managers to increase interest in rental assistance programs.
- Continue to maximize utilization of Housing Choice Voucher budget authority.
- Utilize Moving to Work authority to increase housing choice for households.

PHA Goal: Contribute to the goal of ending homelessness

Objectives:

- Work with Washington County Community Services to build emergency housing for singles.
- Participate in community Heading Home Washington collaborative.
- Continue to fully utilize Mainstream, Family Unification Program, and VASH vouchers.

Increase Community Partnerships

PHA Goal: Increase Community Awareness

Objectives:

- Produce and distribute property owners/manager newsletter quarterly.
- Produce and distribute participant newsletter quarterly.
- Promote Agency at community events.
- Increase Agency presence on social media including Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn.
- Explore e-newsletter platforms for participant and property owner/manager newsletters.

PHA Goal: Increase Community Partnerships

Objectives:

- Increase partnerships with Service Providers to provide participants connections to community resources.
- Increase partnerships with property owners/managers to increase housing options for participants.
- Increase partnerships to leverage the amount of developable acreage for new commercial and industrial investment to increase jobs and tax base.

Promote Self-sufficiency and Asset Development of Families

PHA Goal: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households

Objectives:

- Seek funding for Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator position to continue providing program to Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing residents.
- Provide Service Coordinator services in senior properties to increase independence for elderly or people with disabilities.
- Provide information to participants regarding services offered by the Career Force Center.

Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing for All Americans

PHA Goal: Ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing

Objectives:

- Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability.
- Undertake affirmative measures to provide a suitable living environment for families living in assisted housing, regardless of race, color, religion national origin, sex, familial status, and disability.
- Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all varieties of disabilities.