

B.4 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals

The PHA has adopted an Emergency Transfer Plan, based on HUD's model Emergency Transfer Plan (form HUD-5381). The Emergency Transfer Plan defines tenants/ participants eligible for an emergency transfer; lists documentation needed to request an emergency transfer; outlines confidentiality protections; and describes how an emergency transfer may occur. The Emergency Transfer Plan allows tenants who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to make an internal emergency transfer under VAWA when a safe unit is immediately available and describes the policies for assisting a tenant in making an internal emergency transfer when a safe unit is not immediately available, and describes reasonable efforts the PHA will take to assist a tenant who wishes to make an external emergency transfer when a unit that meets the victims safety standard is not available.

For the Housing Choice Voucher Program, the Emergency Transfer Plan includes a request for Emergency Transfer whereby the families are permitted to break leases or contracts to escape persecution or dangerous living situations in a timely manner.