

To: Contra Costa County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners  
 From: Joseph Villarreal, Housing Authority  
 Date: August 6, 2019



Contra  
Costa  
County

Subject: REPORT UPDATING THE STATUS OF THE VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY'S HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER AND PROJECT-BASED VOUCHER PROGRAMS TO

---

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

ACCEPT a report on the status of the voluntary transfer of the Richmond Housing Authority's housing choice voucher and project-based voucher programs to the Housing Authority of the County of Contra Costa.

## **BACKGROUND**

The transfer occurred on July 1, 2019 and went fairly smoothly. RHA transferred approximately 1,670 active voucher files and HACCC staff have begun going through them one-by-one in order to bring them into compliance with HUD standards. This process is expected to take one and a half to two years. This process is expected to have a significant impact on the actual funding levels of the program. Thus, the rental subsidy that RHA was receiving from HUD may differ from what HACCC receives in the future. At this point it is hard to say if that number will increase or decrease.

Apart from those issues, HACCC, RHA, the City of Richmond and HUD San Francisco are working to try preserve RHA's public, and other affordable housing by using PBVs administered by HACCC. To this end, HACCC and RHA submitted a series of waiver requests to HUD Washington. This request is attached. HUD Washington has not yet replied to these waiver requests. Staff will update the Board once a response is received.

---

Action of Board On: **08/06/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

### **VOTE OF COMMISSIONERS**

AYE: John Gioia, Commissioner  
 Candace Andersen,  
 Commissioner  
 Karen Mitchoff,  
 Commissioner  
 Federal D. Glover,  
 Commissioner

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: August 6, 2019

Joseph Villarreal, Executive Director

ABSENT: Diane Burgis,  
 Commissioner  
 Jannel George-Oden,  
 Commissioner

By: Jami Napier , Deputy

Contact: 9259578028

cc:

### FISCAL IMPACT

The transfer of the Richmond Housing Authority's (RHA) Voucher programs has increased the Housing Authority of the County of Contra Costa's (HACCC) current contract with HUD from 7,097 vouchers to 9,101 vouchers. The final numbers are still to be determined based on HACCC's file updates, but it is anticipated that HACCC's voucher budget for FYE 2020 will increase from \$117 million to between \$142 million and \$150 million.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION

None. Information item only.

### ATTACHMENTS

Joint Waiver Request-RHA and HACCC