

Civil Rights Certification
(Qualified PHAs)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing
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Civil Rights Certification

Annual Certification and Board Resolution

Acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Public Housing Agency (PHA) listed below, as its Chairperson or other authorized PHA official if there is no Board of Commissioners, I approve the submission of the 5-Year PHA Plan, hereinafter referred to as "the Plan", of which this document is a part, and make the following certification and agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 in which the PHA receives assistance under 42 U.S.C. 1437f and/or 1437g in connection with the mission, goals, and objectives of the public housing agency and implementation thereof:

The PHA certifies that it will carry out the public housing program of the agency in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-2000d—4), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*), and other applicable civil rights requirements and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program. In addition, if it administers a Housing Choice Voucher Program, the PHA certifies that it will administer the program in conformity with the Fair Housing Act, title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable civil rights requirements, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing in the administration of the program. The PHA will affirmatively further fair housing, which means that it will take meaningful actions to further the goals identified in the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) conducted in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR § 5.150 through 5.180, that it will take no action that is materially inconsistent with its obligation to affirmatively further fair housing, and that it will address fair housing issues and contributing factors in its programs, in accordance with 24 CFR § 903.7(o)(3). The PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) and 24 CFR § 903.15(d). Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA will fulfill the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) promulgated prior to August 17, 2015, which means that it examines its programs or proposed programs; identifies any impediments to fair housing choice within those programs; addresses those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available; works with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdiction's initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement; and maintains records reflecting these analyses and actions.

IRONTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY OH019

PHA Name

PHA Number/HA Code

I hereby certify that all the statement above, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate. **Warning:** HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Name of Executive Director: Katie C. Jones

Name of Board Chairperson: Terri R. Smith

Signature

Katie C. Jones

Date 6-17-25

Signature

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 14
of the Board of Commissioners
of the Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority

APPROVAL OF 2025 – 2029 FIVE-YEAR PLAN

WHEREAS, the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (QHWRA) requires all housing authorities to develop an annual Agency Plan and every fifth year to develop a five-year plan; and

WHEREAS, the Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority has developed a FY-2025 – 2029 Five-Year Plan, through the use of the PHA Plans Template (HUD 50075-5Y) in accordance with instructions located in applicable HUD notices and Federal Register publications; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners and the Resident Advisory Board have participated in the development and review of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority has complied with the requirement for a public hearing which was held on June 18, 2025, following proper notice published in the local newspaper.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority assembled in regular session the 24th day of June, 2025, that the FY-2025 – 2029 Five-Year Agency Plan of the Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority be hereby approved along with all required other supporting documents, and that the Chairperson and Executive Director be authorized to sign the appropriate certifications to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development with the Agency Plan.

Kimberly Royal moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted as introduced and read, which action was seconded by Suzanne Triplett, and upon roll call the "Ayes" and "Nays" were as follows:

AYES

NAYS

NONE

Dennis M. Stephens
Suzanne Triplett
Don R. Smith
Kimberly Royal
Alina B. Hatten

The Chairman thereupon declared the motion carried and said resolution adopted.

Certified to be a true and accurate
representation of said resolution.

Katie C. Jones

Katie C. Jones, Secretary

5-Year PHA Plan (for All PHAs)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing

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Purpose. The 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans provide a ready source for interested parties to locate basic PHA policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA's operations, programs, and services, and informs HUD, families served by the PHA, and members of the public of the PHA's mission, goals, and objectives for serving the needs of low-income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families.

Applicability. The Form HUD-50075-5Y is to be completed once every 5 PHA fiscal years by all PHAs.

A.	PHA Information.														
A.1	<p>PHA Name: Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority PHA Code: OH019 PHA Plan for Fiscal Year Beginning: (MM/YYYY): 10/2025 The Five-Year Period of the Plan (i.e., 2019-2023): 2025-2029 Plan Submission Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5-Year Plan Submission <input type="checkbox"/> Revised 5-Year Plan Submission</p> <p>Availability of Information. In addition to the items listed in this form, PHAs must have the elements listed below readily available to the public. A PHA must identify the specific location(s) where the proposed PHA Plan, PHA Plan Elements, and all information relevant to the public hearing and proposed PHA Plan are available for inspection by the public. Additionally, the PHA must provide information on how the public may reasonably obtain additional information on the PHA policies contained in the standard Annual Plan, but excluded from their streamlined submissions. At a minimum, PHAs must post PHA Plans, including updates, at each Asset Management Project (AMP) and the main office or central office of the PHA. PHAs are strongly encouraged to post complete PHA Plans on their official websites. PHAs are also encouraged to provide each resident council a copy of their PHA Plans.</p> <p>How the public can access this PHA Plan: The PHA Plan is available at the central office located at 720 Washington Street Ironton, OH 45638. IMHA also has a plan to allow access to the PHA plan once the newly established website is published.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PHA Consortia: (Check box if submitting a Joint PHA Plan and complete table below.)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Participating PHAs</th> <th rowspan="2">PHA Code</th> <th rowspan="2">Program(s) in the Consortia</th> <th rowspan="2">Program(s) not in the Consortia</th> <th colspan="2">No. of Units in Each Program</th> </tr> <tr> <th>PH</th> <th>HCV</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Participating PHAs	PHA Code	Program(s) in the Consortia	Program(s) not in the Consortia	No. of Units in Each Program		PH	HCV						
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B.	Plan Elements. Required for all PHAs completing this form.														
B.1	<p>Mission. State the PHA's mission for serving the needs of low- income, very low- income, and extremely low- income families in the PHA's jurisdiction for the next five years.</p> <p>The mission of the Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority is to assist low-income families and individuals with safe, decent and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to improve the quality of their lives. The Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient, ethical and professional manner by adhering to its own Core Values and fostering partnerships with its clients and appropriate community agencies.</p>														
B.2	<p>Goals and Objectives. Identify the PHA's quantifiable goals and objectives that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of low- income, very low-income, and extremely low-income families for the next five years.</p> <p>GOAL #1 Expand the Supply of Affordable Housing in Lawrence County a. Fully leased in the Public Housing Program and be fully utilized in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. b. Continue the effort to identify families that qualify and facilitate getting those families into units while assuring that our units stay consistent in supplying safe, decent and affordable housing. c. IMHA will attempt to grow its areas of service by applying for any grant or special use opportunity that will assist families (e.g. HUD-VASH or Family Self-Sufficiency). d. Work with local government and local agencies/businesses to foster relationships with private companies interested in expanding affordable housing options for the families in our community. GOAL #2 Improve the Quality of Assisted Housing a. IMHA intends to improve PHAS scores as well as improve voucher management to increase SEMAP scores and maintain those scores. b. Continue ensuring staff have the relevant training and education that is required to perform their jobs effectively and efficiently. c. Continue to review and update current policies and procedures as it they pertain to HUD's guidance and instruction, and to ensure compliance with requirements. d. Improve specific management functions by updating documents and forms to be used proficiently throughout each of IMHA's Programs, including staff training, inspection improvement and finance process and procedures. e. Utilize Capital Funds efficiently to modernize Public Housing units and increase tenant/customer satisfaction. f. Demolition of two units that have environmental issues. Goal #3 Promote Self-Sufficiency of Families a. Enhance senior and disabled living by connecting participants to the services they need. b. Support youth achievement to promote young children, youth and young adults. IMHA has a community building that is active with a local non-profit agency, (Impact Prevention), that serves the youth community in our developments. We will continue to maintain a relationship with that program in order to serve our tenants and surrounding youth community.</p>														
B.3	<p>Progress Report. Include a report on the progress the PHA has made in meeting the goals and objectives described in the previous 5-Year Plan.</p> <p>Finance a. We are continuing to allow staff to increase their knowledge through workshops and webinars. b. Presently, we are diligently updating our financial reporting to reflect and report accurate data through full implementation and use of our new software. c. We are committed to finding new ways to decrease costs. HCV a. Increase the SEMAP to High Performer Status and maintain that status. b. Update Rent Reasonableness Database annually c. Perform quality control review of HCV Operations d. Participate in IMHA partnerships to serve VASH recipients e. Purge Waiting List to facilitate expeditious lease-up process Development a. Continue to prepare strategic plans for development, modernization and homeownership program with the focus of increasing the supply and quality housing for eligible IMHA clients. b. Implements and monitors standard operating procedures to ensure that staff, projects, budgets, obligations, expenditures, schedules and contracts are properly managed. c. IMHA plans to begin utilizing a new Central Office space to make the facility more accessible to applicants, tenants and other individuals and businesses that we serve.</p>														
B.4	<p>Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Goals. Provide a statement of the PHA's goals, activities objectives, policies, or programs that will enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.</p> <p>The PHA has adopted policies which include: a. Emergency Transfer Plan b. Notice to Housing Choice Voucher Owners and Managers c. VAWA Policy and Procedures on how to handle claims made by applicants, residents and participants. d. VAWA Notice of Occupancy Rights under the Violence Against Women Act. e. Extensive coverage in the HCV's Administrative Plan and Public Housing's Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy.</p>														
C.	Other Document and/or Certification Requirements.														
C.1	<p>Significant Amendment or Modification. Provide a statement on the criteria used for determining a significant amendment or modification to the 5-Year Plan.</p> <p>The Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority establishes the following criteria in determining a significant amendment or modification to its CFP 5-Year Action Plan: a. Proposed demolition b. Disposition c. Homeownership d. RAD conversion e. Capital Fund Financing f. Development g. Mixed-Finance proposal h. RAD Conversion None of the above activities may</p>														

	be added to the CFP 5-Year Action Plan without first being approved by The Board of Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority and HUD in accordance with HUD's plan review procedures.								
C.2	<p>Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Comments.</p> <p>(a) Did the RAB(s) have comments to the 5-Year PHA Plan? Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, comments must be submitted by the PHA as an attachment to the 5-Year PHA Plan. PHAs must also include a narrative describing their analysis of the RAB recommendations and the decisions made on these recommendations. One member of the RAB made a comment on the possibility of providing new flooring to the Public Housing units stating that the current floors look discolored and recommended replacement. The Housing Authority responded that we have considered the replacement of flooring, but that plan may be added to a subsequent 5-Year Action Plan.</p>								
C.3	<p>Certification by State or Local Officials.</p> <p>Form HUD-50077-SL, <i>Certification by State or Local Officials of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan</i>, must be submitted by the PHA as an electronic attachment to the PHA Plan.</p>								
C.4	<p>Required Submission for HUD FO Review.</p> <p>(a) Did the public challenge any elements of the Plan? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) If yes, include Challenged Elements.</p>								
D.	Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH).								
D.1	<p>Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. (Non-qualified PHAs are only required to complete this section on the Annual PHA Plan. All qualified PHAs must complete this section.)</p> <p>Provide a statement of the PHA's strategies and actions to achieve fair housing goals outlined in an accepted Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) consistent with 24 CFR § 5.154(d)(5). Use the chart provided below. (PHAs should add as many goals as necessary to overcome fair housing issues and contributing factors.) Until such time as the PHA is required to submit an AFH, the PHA is not obligated to complete this chart. The PHA will fulfill, nevertheless, the requirements at 24 CFR § 903.7(o) enacted prior to August 17, 2015. See Instructions for further detail on completing this item.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Fair Housing Goal: Analyze Data and Identify Barriers</td></tr> <tr> <td> <p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA analyzes data and identifies barriers to fair housing choice, such a discrimination, lack of accessible housing, and/or unequal access to services provided by the Housing Authority.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td>Fair Housing Goal: Promote Fair Housing Choice</td></tr> <tr> <td> <p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will provide training to staff and provide education as well as resources to the community and landlords. IMHA will ensure information is available to individuals in accessible forms.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td>Fair Housing Goal: Enforce Fair Housing Laws</td></tr> <tr> <td> <p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will take appropriate action to address any instances that discrimination was made and ensure compliance with fair housing laws. IMHA works with local jurisdictions, organizations, and community development groups to implement jurisdiction's initiatives that affirmatively further fair housing measures which may require IMHA's involvement.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td>Fair Housing Goal: Invest Within the Community</td></tr> <tr> <td> <p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will strive to assist low-income families and individuals with safe, decent and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to improve the quality of their lives.</p> </td></tr> </table>	Fair Housing Goal: Analyze Data and Identify Barriers	<p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA analyzes data and identifies barriers to fair housing choice, such a discrimination, lack of accessible housing, and/or unequal access to services provided by the Housing Authority.</p>	Fair Housing Goal: Promote Fair Housing Choice	<p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will provide training to staff and provide education as well as resources to the community and landlords. IMHA will ensure information is available to individuals in accessible forms.</p>	Fair Housing Goal: Enforce Fair Housing Laws	<p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will take appropriate action to address any instances that discrimination was made and ensure compliance with fair housing laws. IMHA works with local jurisdictions, organizations, and community development groups to implement jurisdiction's initiatives that affirmatively further fair housing measures which may require IMHA's involvement.</p>	Fair Housing Goal: Invest Within the Community	<p><u>Describe fair housing strategies and actions to achieve the goal</u></p> <p>IMHA will strive to assist low-income families and individuals with safe, decent and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to improve the quality of their lives.</p>
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I, Julie Jarrell, the Chief Deputy certify that the 5-Year PHA Plan for fiscal years 2025-2029 and/or Annual PHA Plan for fiscal year 2025 of the OH019 - Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority is consistent with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan including the Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice or Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) as applicable to the City Of Ironton, Lawrence County, Ohio pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91 and 24 CFR § 903.15.

Provide a description of how the PHA Plan's contents are consistent with the Consolidated Plan or State Consolidated Plan.
The Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority's (IMHA) 5-Year Plan is consistent with and aligned to the housing and community needs in the State Consolidated Plan. IMHA will focus on addressing the housing needs of very low, low, and moderate income individuals throughout Lawrence County.

I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate. Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012, 31 U.S.C. 3720, 3802)

Name of Authorized Official:	<u>Julie Jarrell</u>	Title:	<u>Chief Deputy</u>
Signature:	<u>Julie Jarrell</u>	Date:	<u>7/1/2025</u>

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