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HUD AWARDS LOS ANGELES CITY AND COUNTY \$4 MILLION TO ASSIST 1,950 FAMILIES

Local Collaboration to Create a Regional Mobility Demonstration Program

Alhambra, CA, May 6, 2021 – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) and the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA) \$4 million to launch a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Regional Mobility Demonstration Program.

HACLA and the LACDA entered into an interagency agreement to jointly administer the demonstration program, with HACLA as the lead agency. Together, the agencies will recruit a minimum of 1,950 families to participate. Eligible families for the study will be new and existing voucher holders with at least one child under the age of 13.

The mobility demonstration will take place over the course of six years and will provide services to selected families, including but not limited to, pre- and post-move supports, family financial assistance (e.g. security deposits), property owner outreach, and housing search assistance and navigation in low poverty areas, as well as administrative policies such as adequate payment standards in opportunity areas and extended voucher search times.

“Collaboration and strong community partnerships are fundamental to increasing impact and getting things done,” said HACLA President & CEO Doug Guthrie. “This federal funding from HUD allows us to do just that by working with the LACDA to expand the Housing Choice Voucher Program throughout the City and County of Los Angeles.”

“We are honored to receive this grant and to partner with HACLA on this initiative. Through our partnership, we can eliminate jurisdictional boundaries and help families

across the County move to higher opportunity areas,” LACDA Executive Director Emilio Salas said.

HACLA and the LACDA have a contract with the Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) to assist with the implementation of the HCV Regional Mobility Demonstration Program.

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