

COMMON HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING TERMS AND ACRONYMS

Acronym	Definition
ACA	Annual Community Assessment
ACA	Asset Control Area. FHA Single Family Housing designated area for special property sales initiatives.
ACOP	Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy
ACRS	Administration's system for tracking requests for administrative services
ACS	American Community Survey
ADA	Americans With Disabilities Act (Section 504)
AFFH	Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
AFR	Applicable Federal Rate
AHS	American Housing Survey
Allocation	Budget Authority transferred from one agency
APP	Annual Performance Plan

Apportionment	OMB distribution of authorized (appropriated) funds
Appropriations	Statutory authority permitting agency to incur obligations
APR	Annual Performance Report (Annual Progress Report for homeless programs)
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
BLS	Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor
BOSS	Budget Outlay Support System
Budget Authority	Legal authority to enter into financial obligations
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant (CPD program)
CE	Coordinated Entry, homeless household assessment and placement system
CEF	Community Empowerment Fund; administered by CPD
CFO	Chief Financial Officer (HUD Office of)

CFP	Capital Fund Program
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CHAS	Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy
CHDO	Community Housing Development Organization. Nonprofit housing provider receiving minimum of 15% of HOME Investment Partnership funds
CHRB	Community Housing Resource Board. Organization assisting with voluntary compliance with fair housing laws.
CIR	Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (HUD Office of)
CISS	Central Iowa Shelter & Services in Des Moines
CMHI	Cooperative Management Housing Insurance Fund. One of four FHA funds
CoC	Continuum of Care region
Continuum of Care	Federal program stressing permanent solutions to homelessness

Con Plan	Consolidated Plan; a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under the Community Development Block Grant and other CPD programs
Contract Authority	Statutory authority. Budget authority permitting contracting or obligations prior to an appropriation for payment.
CPD	Community Planning and Development (HUD Office of)
CPO	Chief Procurement Officer (HUD Office of)
CPU	Cost Per Unit (Total Cost/Number of Units)
DAP	Development Application Processing (FHA - Multifamily Housing)
DCR	Debt Coverage Ratio (NOI/Hard Debt)
DHAP	Disaster Housing Assistance Program (HCV Program)
DUNS	Dun and Bradstreet Numbering System

EA	Environmental Assessment. Analysis to determine effect of a project on the environment. May lead to an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
EC	Enterprise Community
ED	Executive Director
EDA	Economic Development Administration (part of Dept. of Commerce)
EDI	Economic Development Initiative (CPD program)
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EGI	Effective Gross Income (GPR - Vacancy Loss + Other Income = EGI)
EHOP	Equal Housing Opportunity Plan. Plan developed by Public Housing Agencies for Sec. 8 and Moderate Rehabilitation programs.
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement. Analysis of environmental impacts of a proposed project.
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ESG	Emergency Solutions Grants

EZ	Empowerment Zone
Fair Housing Act	1968 act (amended in 1974 and 1988) providing HUD Secretary with fair housing enforcement and investigation responsibilities
FAVA	Family Alliance for Veterans of America
FBCO	Faith-Based and Community Organizations
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Administration
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year
FHA	Federal Housing Administration (HUD Office of Housing)
FHAP	Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHEO program). Program assisting state/local government with processing fair housing complaints.
FHIP	Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHEO program). Assists state/local entities to combat housing discrimination.
FHLBB	Federal Home Loan Bank Board

FHLMC	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation. Federally chartered stockholder owned corporation supporting secondary market for conventional mortgages.
FLRA	Federal Labor Relations Authority
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance)
FNMA	Federal National Mortgage Association. Federally chartered, stockholder owned corporation supporting secondary market for FHA, VA and conventional mortgages.
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
Freddie Mac	See FHLMC
FY	Fiscal year
GPR	Gross Potential Rent (Number of Units x Monthly Rent x 12 (months/annual) = GPR)
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act. Requires Federal Agencies to establish performance standards and report on results.

GSA	General Services Administration
GSE	Government Sponsored Enterprises (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)
HACAP	Hawkeye Area Community Action Programs
HAP	Housing Assistance Payments
HAP	Housing Assistance Plan. Housing plans required by CDBG program.
HCV	Housing Choice Voucher
HDX	Homelessness Data Exchange
HERA	Housing and Economic Recovery Act
HFA	Housing Finance Agency. State or local agencies responsible for financing and preserving low/mod housing within a state.
HFI	Home Forward Iowa
HHS	Health and Human Services (U.S. Department of)
HIPRS	HUD Integrated Performance Reporting System (HIPRS) application tracks and reports accomplishments

	on the national Management Plan goals in Headquarters and the local goals in the Field offices.
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships (CPD program)
HOPE VI	Program for Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing (PIH program)
HOPWA	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (CPD program)
HQS	Housing Quality Standards
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
HUD-VASH	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing program
ICA	Institute for Community Alliances
ICDBG	Indian Community Development Block Grant program
ICH	Iowa Council on Homelessness

IDA	Individual Development Account
IDIS	Integrated Disbursement and Information System (CPD system)
IFA	Iowa Finance Authority
IG	Inspector General (HUD Office of)
IHA	Indian Housing Authorities
IHBG	Indian Housing Block Grants program
IMS or (IMS-PIC)	Inventory Management System
IT	Information Technology
LGBTQ	Collectively refers to the lesbian, gay, bisexual transgender and queer communities
LIHTC	Low Income Housing Tax Credit
LM	Loan Management
LMR	Labor Management Relations
LSA	Longitudinal Systems Analysis (HMIS profile similar to former profile know as AHAR)

MACCH	Metro Area CoC serving Pottawattamie and two Nebraska counties
MAHRA	Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997
MAP	Multifamily Accelerated Processing (FHA-Multifamily Housing process)
MAPS	Monitoring and Planning System
MIS	Management Information System
MLIS	Mortgage Lending Information System
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NOFA	(HUD) Notice of Funding Availability
NOI	Net Operating Income (EGI - Operating Expenses = NOI)
NSP	Neighborhood Stabilization Program
OMB	U.S. Office of Management and Budget
OMB Circular A-76	Policies and procedures to determine if work should be contracted or performed in-house

OMB Circular A-102	Policies for Federal Departments for establishing and maintaining internal controls in program and administrative activities
OMHAR	(HUD) Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring
ONAP	Office of Native American Programs
Operating Subsidies	Payments authorized by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 for operating costs of low-rent public housing projects.
Outlay	Measure of government spending for budget purposes. Any type of funds used to liquidate a federal obligation.
PATH	Prevention Assistance and Temporary Housing (Homeless program)
PBCA	Performance Based Contract Administrator
PBVP	Project-Based Voucher Program
PCCoCB	Polk County Continuum of Care Board (governs Polk CoC)
PHA	Public Housing Authority

PHARS	Public Housing Authority Recovery and Sustainability Initiative
PHAS	Public Housing Assessment System (under REAC)
PIT	Annual HUD Point in Time Count of homeless
PMS	Property Management System (Multifamily)
PSH	Permanent Supportive Housing
REAC	(HUD) Real Estate Assessment Center
Reservation	Set-aside of funds for a particular program initiative.
RHF	Replacement Housing Factor
RFP	Request for Proposals. Used to solicit proposals for contracts under the negotiated procurement method.
ROI	Rate on Investment (Cash Flow/Initial Investment)
RRH	Rapid Re-housing
S+C	Shelter Plus Care
S&E	Salaries and expenses appropriation

SAF	Shelter Assistance Fund
SAMA	Site Appraisal and Market Analysis. Required for commitment of FHA mortgage insurance on most Multifamily Projects and large subdivisions.
SCEH	Siouxland Coalition to End Homelessness (CoC consisting of Woodbury County (IA) and Dakota County (NE))
Section 3	Obligates PHAs to afford resident access to jobs and contracting opportunities created by federal funding
Section 5(h)	Permits PHAs to sell all or part of a public housing development to eligible residents
Section 8	Housing Assistance Payment Program (Housing and Community Development Act of 1974)
Section 8	Housing Choice Voucher Program (Housing and Community Development Act of 1974)
Section 8(a)	Small Business Act authorizing SBA to enter into contracts with other federal agencies for goods and services. SBA then subcontracts work with eligible small firms.

Section 8 FMC	Section 8 Financial Management Center (under PIH)
Section 184	Loan Guarantee Program
Section 202	Loans for construction/rehab of housing for the elderly or handicapped
Section 203	Basic FHA Single Family mortgage insurance program.
Section 108	Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program (under CPD)
Section 202/811	Programs for housing assistance to the elderly and people with disabilities
Section 207	Basic FHA multifamily insurance program
Section 221(d)(2)	FHA Single Family Mortgage insurance for low/moderate income families
Section 221(d)(3)	FHA mortgage insurance for Multifamily housing for low/moderate income families.
Section 223(e)	FHA mortgage insurance with housing in older declining neighborhoods
Section 223(f)	FHA mortgage insurance to refinance existing multifamily housing

Section 231	Mortgage insurance for housing constructed or rehabilitated primarily for elderly persons
Section 235	FHA single family mortgage insurance with subsidies on interest for low/moderate income families
Section 236	FHA multifamily mortgage insurance with subsidies on interest for low/moderate income projects
SES	Senior Executive Service. Personnel/Payroll system for executives. (Civil Service Act of 1978)
SHP	Supportive Housing Program
Source Evaluation Board	Group of HUD officials responsible for reviewing proposals on competitive contracts of more than \$500,000
SPDAT	Service Prioritization Decision Assessment tool. Survey administered to adults and families to determine risk and prioritization for homeless services
SPM	System Performance Measures
SRO	Single-Room Occupancy. Mortgage insurance under Section 221(d) for single room apartments.

