



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
THE DEPUTY SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-0050

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Mr. Michael Buonocore
Executive Director
Housing Authority of Portland (Home Forward)
135 Southwest Ash Street
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mr. Buonocore:

In the 20 years since the authorization of the Moving to Work (MTW) Demonstration program, a number of flexibilities, which have been successfully designed and tested by you and other MTW agencies, have been made available to all public housing agencies (PHAs) across the nation. We are pleased that Congress has now extended the Demonstration through 2028, so that we may continue this great work together.

Pursuant to Section 239 of Title II, Division L of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (P.L. 114-113) (The Act), Housing Authority of Portland's (Home Forward) (the Agency) current MTW Agreement is hereby modified and extended until the end of the Agency's fiscal year 2028. Further, pursuant to that same act of Congress, and subject to any future acts of Congress, the Agency's Agreement shall be modified to prohibit any statutory offset of any reserve balances equal to four months of operating expenses. Reserve balances that exceed four months of operating expenses shall remain available to the Agency for all permissible purposes under the Agreement unless subject to statutory offset, notwithstanding any contrary term of the Agreement.

Your MTW Agreement shall be modified by the content of the second paragraph of this letter upon receipt of this letter by the Agency. If your Agency would instead prefer to conclude its MTW participation, please follow the process in Section VIII.D. of the Agency's MTW Agreement.

Under the Act, other terms of the Agreement may be modified by mutual agreement between the Agency and HUD. If your Agency would like to discuss modifications to other terms of its MTW Agreement, please contact the Moving to Work Office at mtw-info@hud.gov.

Throughout the next 12 years of the MTW Demonstration, we look forward to learning from the work of MTW Agencies, to improve the programs and services provided to low-income families across the country. We are confident that your locally-driven strategies will continue to identify creative solutions to serve the affordable housing needs of our nation's communities.

Sincerely,



Nani A. Coloretti