



# **Yolo County Housing**

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DATE: April 8, 2010  
TO: YCH Board of Commissioners  
FROM: Lisa A. Baker, Executive Director  
PREPARED BY: Janis Holt, Resource Administrator  
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation to Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

That the Board of Commissioners Adopt the Resolution of Appreciation to Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA).

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

On August 11, 2009, Yolo County Housing was granted a waiver of 24 CFR § 982.505(c)(3) allowing a reduction in housing assistance payments expenditures in order to meet the anticipated funding shortfall in the YCH housing choice voucher program. Effective October 2009, YCH implemented this waiver and notified the 1,301 affected voucher families being served through the housing assistance program.

In December, HUD notified Yolo County Housing that it was rescinding the waiver issued in August and YCH received instructions for the implementation of the rescission on December 24, 2009. Upon review of the requirements outlined in the instructions, it was apparent that the rescission could result in multiple corrections and data calculations for a single voucher family. It was predicted that this could result in 5,000 individual calculations across the program. YCH had four (4) fully trained housing assistance program staff. This implementation would require cross training other YCH departmental staff (Real Estate Services and Finance) and scheduling optimum overtime. With these steps it would still be difficult to meet the April 30, 2009 deadline without additional assistance.

Staff conducted outreach to nearby Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) inquiring if they had trained staff that would like to commit Saturdays to the rescission project. SHRA Assistant Director-HCV Program Director, MaryLiz Paulson immediately shared the opportunity with her program staff. Within a week, Yolo County Housing had a list of interested housing specialists. SHRA staff James Deng, Sylvia DeLeon, Donnielle Adams, and Linda Holden were hired on a part-time basis to provide support on the project requiring them to learn a new software system. They were able to adapt quickly.

*Working together to provide affordable housing and community development services for all*

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Through the commitment of the YCH team along with the support and assistance of SHRA, the project was completed 45 days ahead of schedule with a PIC accuracy score of 99.02% and zero late re-examinations.

This provision of mutual aid during this large scale project sets the foundation for how agencies can support each other in times of disaster or other situations requiring continuity of operations.

YCH staff is appreciative of the work and support offered by SHRA and this resolution is an indication of our thanks.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

**CONCLUSION**

Staff recommends that the Board Adopt the Resolution of Appreciation to Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency.

Attachment: Resolution

**YOLO COUNTY HOUSING  
RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**Resolution of Appreciation to  
Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA)**

**WHEREAS**, HUD issued instructions for the Rescission of Waivers of 24 CFR §982.505(c)(3) on December 24, 2009 to Yolo County Housing requiring multiple calculations and corrections to 1,301 vouchers issued to Yolo County Housing families through the housing assistance program; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Yolo County Housing reached out to neighboring Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for assistance on this project; *and*

**WHEREAS**, the management of Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency was highly responsive to our inquiry for staff support to ensure completion of the rescission project by the April 30, 2009 deadline; *and*

**WHEREAS**, four team members (James Deng, Donielle Adams, Sylvia DeLeon, and Linda Holden) of the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency housing choice voucher staff worked on Saturdays for a total of 126 hours playing a vital role in the completion of this project 45 days ahead of schedule; *and*

**WHEREAS**, the cross-county mutual aid that was shared during this project forms a foundation for future efforts or events that requires staff support such as disaster recovery or continuity of operations.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners extends its sincere appreciation to Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for providing their support to Yolo County Housing during the waiver rescission project.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Yolo, County of Yolo, State of California, this 8th day of April 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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Matt Rexroad, Chair  
Board of Commissioners of the  
Housing Authority of the County of Yolo

Approved as to Form:

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Sonia Cortes, Agency Counsel

Attest:

Clerk of the Board,  
Board of Commissioners of the  
Housing Authority of the County of Yolo

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy