



## **Yolo County Housing**

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**DATE:** April 19, 2012  
**TO:** YCH Board of Commissioners  
**FROM:** Lisa A. Baker, Executive Director  
**SUBJECT:** Receive And File Correspondence From The U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development (HUD) to the Board Chair

### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

That the Board of Commissioners:

1. Receive and file the correspondence

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

The YCH has received correspondence from HUD on the following matter:

- A reminder regarding federal regulations and statutes (Hatch Act) pertaining to use of federal funds for lobbying.
  - YCH does not retain a lobbyist and does not use federal funds for lobbying purposes. Public Housing Authorities are, however, allowed to engage in educational advocacy.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

### **CONCLUSION**

Receive and file the correspondence

**Attachment:** Letter from HUD



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-5000

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

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Dear PHA Director/Board Chair:

As you may be aware, we have recently been asked about the expenditure of funds by public housing authorities (PHAs) for lobbying of Congress and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Under federal law and regulation, of course, no federal funds may be used for such lobbying by PHAs or any recipients of federal funds, and such lobbying is permissible only if non-federal funds are used and if accurate disclosure forms are filed under 31 U.S.C. 1352. As with all recipients of federal funds, PHAs are responsible for complying with these requirements.

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact your local PIH field office. Thank you again for the important work done by PHAs and their employees across the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald J. Lavoy".

Donald J. Lavoy  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
Office of Field Operations  
Office of Public and Indian Housing