# YOLO COUNTY HOUSING AGREEMENT NO.

# Memorandum of Understanding Between Yolo County Housing And The Woodland Police Department

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made this	day of
, 2009, and establishes a cooperative agreement	between the
Housing Authority of the County of Yolo (hereinafter referred to as '	"Yolo County
Housing" or "YCH") and the Woodland Police Department (hereinafter refe	rred to as the
"Department" or "WPD").	

# I. MISSIONS

- A. <u>YCH mission</u>: Working together to provide quality affordable housing and community development services for all.
- B. <u>WPD mission</u>: We are committed to providing the highest quality law enforcement services to our community.

## II. PURPOSE

The Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") requires Public Housing Authorities ("PHA"), such as YCH, to track, report and work to prevent crime. In accordance with 24 CFR Part 902.43, PHA's are also required to enter into cooperative agreements with local law enforcement agencies in order to ensure that developments are safe environments for residents. A strong partnership with local law enforcement can benefit both agencies and prevent incidents from becoming a continuing problem. Through mutual support, both agencies can work together at decreasing crime in public housing.

## III. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

- A. As required by law or regulation, YCH will comply, on a case-by-case basis, with information requests from WPD regarding possible fugitive felons and/or parole or probation violators. YCH will supply, upon legitimate request by WPD, the following information of any recipient of assistance:
  - 1. Current address:
  - 2. Social Security number;

- 3. Photograph (if applicable).
- B. Except upon a showing of compelling (i.e. emergency) circumstances affecting the health or safety of an individual, all information requests by WPD to YCH shall be submitted:
  - 1. In writing; and
  - 2. On WPD letterhead; and
  - 3. Signed by the Chief of Police, or other designee(s) permitted by law; and
  - 4. Identify the record desired and the law enforcement activity for which the record is sought.

#### IV. RESPONSIBILITIES

# A. <u>Yolo County Housing shall</u>:

- 1. Screen public housing applicants and deny admission to applicants in accordance with and as permitted by law.
- 2. In its sole discretion, evict a public housing resident as permitted by law.
- 3. Enforce lease and house rules.
- 4. Tow unregistered, inoperable, and/or abandoned cars in accordance with and as permitted by law.
- 5. Abate graffiti within twenty-four (24) hours.

# B. Woodland Police Department shall:

- 1. Provide permissible crime data to public housing staff for analysis and action.
- After being served a lawful subpoena, testify in eviction cases as needed when law enforcement has responded to the residence for service.
- 3. Work with YCH staff to foster neighborhood watch groups on YCH property and meet with YCH residents as needed to address community concerns and strategize methods of reducing crime on YCH property.

4. Attend meetings as needed between YCH staff and WPD officers, particularly between YCH property "beat" officers who will communicate directly with YCH property managers.

# V. TERM

This MOU is for a period of three (3) years from its effective date, and it may be extended upon written mutual agreement of the parties. The MOU shall be reviewed as necessary to ensure that it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions.

# VI. TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this MOU upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party without penalties or liabilities.

## VII. NOTICE

A. During the term of this MOU, all notices shall be made in writing and either served personally, sent by first class mail, or sent by facsimile provided confirmation of delivery is obtained at the time of facsimile transmission, addressed as follows:

To Yolo County Housing: Yolo County Housing

Attention: Executive Director

147 W. Main Street Woodland, CA 95695

Telephone No.:(530) 662-5428

Fax No.: (530) 662-5429

To Woodland Police Department: Woodland Police Department

Attention: Chief of Police 1000 Lincoln Avenue Woodland, CA 95695

Telephone No.: (530) 661-7800

Fax No.: (530) 662-5377

- B. Any party may change the address to which notice is to be given by providing the other party with written notice of such change at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the effective date of the change.
- C. Service of notices shall be deemed complete on the date of receipt if personally served or if served using facsimile machines provided confirmation of delivery is obtained at the time of facsimile transmission.

Service of notices sent by first class mail shall be deemed complete on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) day following deposit in the United States mail.

## VIII. INDEMNIFICATION

YCH shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Woodland, the Woodland Police Department, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers, from any and all claims, demands, costs (including attorney fees), expenses, judgments, liability, loss, injury, or damages arising out of or in connection with the performance of this MOU by the City of Woodland, the Woodland Police Department, its employees, officers, agents or subcontractors, excepting only loss, injury, or damage caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the City of Woodland, the Woodland Police Department, its officers. subcontractors, employees or volunteers. The City of Woodland and the Woodland Police Department shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the YCH, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers, from any and all claims, demands, costs (including attorney fees), expenses, judgments, liability, loss, injury, or damages arising out of or in connection with the performance of this MOU by YCH, its employees, officers, agents or subcontractors, excepting only loss, injury, or damage caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the YCH, its officers, agents, subcontractors, employees or volunteers.

## IX. AUTHORIZATION

The signing of this MOU is not a formal undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in the MOU.

On behalf of the organization I represent, I wish to sign this MOU and contribute to its further development.

# YOLO COUNTY HOUSING:

By		
	Lisa A. Baker	Date
	Executive Director	
	Yolo County Housing	

WOODLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT:	
By Lay t. Seecen	2/17/09
Carey Sullivan	Date
Chief of Police	
Woodland Police Department	