# I. FAIR HOUSING and ACCESSIBILITY

Regulatory/Statutory Citations: 24 CFR Part 100; N-91-2011, FR 2665-N-06 Fair Housing Accessibility Guidelines; Fair Housing Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601); Fair Housing Planning Guide;

Federal law prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance through a number of statutes, regulations, and executive orders.

The Fair Housing Act, as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of dwellings and in other housing-related activities on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin. This applies to the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, as well as the accessibility and usability by persons with disabilities. This section addresses the City's commitment to these requirements.

### A. Policy: Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice or Affirmative Fair Housing Assessment

Regulatory/Statutory Citations: Fair Housing Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601);

The City requires the utilization of affirmative fair housing marketing practices in soliciting renters or buyers, determining their eligibility, and completing all transactions.

In accordance with the Fair Housing Act, the City must administer all CDBG programs and activities related to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further the policies of the Fair Housing Act. As part of the certification to affirmatively further fair housing that the City is required to submit with its five-year consolidated plan an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) or an Affirmative Fair Housing Assessment (AFHA) and to take actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through the AI or AFHA analysis.

The City of Moore prepared its current Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice in program year 2020.

### B. Policy: Affirmative Fair Housing Plan

Regulatory/Statutory Citations: Section 109, 570.602 Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and Executive Order 11063

The City of Moore, Oklahoma is committed to Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) in all aspects of its operations. The Affirmative Fair Housing Plan (AFHP) is one part of the City's effort. The purpose of the AFHP is to promote a condition in which individuals of similar income levels in the same housing market area have available to them a like range of choices in housing regardless of their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, disability, or familial status.

# C. Policy: Fair Housing Requirements and Duties

The Fair Housing Policy outlines the requirements and duties for various participants in the implementation of the City's Fair Housing efforts:

#### 1. City Responsibilities

The Department of Capital Planning & Resiliency (CP&R) Duties:

- Assuring projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), funds will conform to HUD AFFH regulations and where applicable, state and local codes.
- The City of Moore and/or its developers and sub recipients will maintain policies and procedures, operating guides/manuals, standards, and records as required by HUD.
- The City will place a link to this policy on the *Grants, Programs and Disaster Recovery* page on the City of Moore's website.
- The City will provide or cause to be provided technical assistance through training and written information to owners, developers, and sub recipients of CDBG housing funds.
- Developers and Sub recipients will be required to maintain documentation relating to eligibility, outreach and outcomes.
- CP&R will perform onsite monitoring visits on a regular basis, at least once a year, to ensure compliance of sub recipients with HUD's goals and regulations
- To ensure developer and sub recipients understand their responsibilities and based on the type of activity and complexity, CP&R staff will provide technical assistance on an as needed basis.
- The City of Moore will contract all fair housing services with Metro Fair Housing Authority (MFHA), and will work closely with the organization to resolve complaints and increase education on fair housing trends and issues.

### 2. Owner/Developer/Manager/Sub-Recipient Responsibilities

The City of Moore requires all owners/developers/sub-recipients to meet the Moore AFHM Policy by:

- Use creative strategies to target and reach out to segments of the eligible population which are least likely to apply for housing without special outreach efforts.
- Develop an outreach outline which shows the special measures designed to attract those groups identified as least likely to apply and other efforts designed to attract persons from the targeted eligible populations.
- Media utilization to specify the means of advertising to reach the target groups identified and the strategy behind the use of various types of print/electronic media
- Evaluation of outcomes used to measure the success of the marketing program and ensure the compliance of all Fair Housing requirements.
- Staff training to demonstrate effective delivery of information on fair housing laws and objectives to the populations targeted markets served by the owners/developers/sub recipients.

### 3. Project Owner/Manager Responsibilities

The following requirements apply to any owner/developer/sub-recipient/manager of multi-family housing projects consisting of 5 or more units and to owners/developers/sub-recipient of single-family homes who developed 5 or more units in the previous 12-month period OR who plan to develop 5 or more unites in the following 12 months. Moore requires the utilization of affirmative fair housing marketing practices in soliciting renters or buyers, determining their eligibility, and completing all transactions. All owners/developers/sub recipients must comply with the following requirements for the duration of the applicable compliance period:

- Advertising:
  - The Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan must be used in all signs, ads, brochures, and written communications.
  - Advertising media may include, but is not limited to any local newspaper, radio, television station, social media outlet, website, brochures, leaflets, bulletin boards and signage.
  - Ads in newspapers, if used, must include: The Daily Oklahoman and El Latino American
  - All social media outlets utilized (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.) must include the Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan
  - Ads on television or radio must state the development supports "Equal Housing Opportunity"
  - The City has specified several organizations which serve generally underserved populations. Any rental development must send each organization a letter providing general information regarding the rental opportunity. The letter must include the Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan, and a copy of each letter must be kept on file for review by the City.
  - The organizations contained in Attachment A must be contacted during the initial marketing effort.
  - Fair Housing Poster:
    - Owners/developers/ must display a HUD fair housing poster in all rental offices and where potential tenants may likely come to apply for housing.
  - Project Sign:
    - Owners must post in a conspicuous position on all project sites a sign displaying prominently either the HUD approved Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan or statement.
  - Submission of an Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan:
    - Owners must submit a Form HUD 935.2A to the City. (<u>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=935-2a.pdf</u>) for multifamily projects or Form HUD 935.2B
      (<u>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=935-2h.pdf</u>) for size

(<u>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=935-2b.pdf</u>) for single family projects.

- The AFHM Plan must be approved by the Project Grants Manager (P-GM)
- The AFHM Plan must remain in force throughout the life of the project.
- The AFHM Plan must be submitted at least 30 days prior to pre-lease or marketing of units, whichever occurs first.

• The City may require changes when the law or regulations change at the federal, state or local level.

## 4. Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing (AFHM) Plan

Regulatory/Statutory Citations: 24 CFR 570.602, Section 109

The City shall establish and maintain an Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing (AFHM) Plan as required. The City shall require all developers and/or owners of rental property assisted with CDBG-DR funds to adopt and follow the City's AFHM Plan.

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Overview of Fair Housing Procedures			
Responsible Party	Task		
Project-Grants Manager (P-GM)	Management, technical assistance; fair housing services; and staff training		
Administrative Assistant (CDBG-A)	Maintaining manuals and materials; posts to the <i>Grants, Programs and Disaster</i> <i>Recovery</i> page on the City's website		
Compliance Specialist (CS)	Annual compliance monitoring		

### D. Procedures: Fair Housing

### 1. General

The P-GM is responsible for:

- Managing the City's overall fair housing efforts;
- Providing or causing to be provided technical assistance through training and written information to owners/developers/sub-recipients of CDBG-DR housing funds on an asneeded basis.
- Contractually requiring owners/developers/sub-recipients to maintain documentation relating to eligibility, outreach, and outcomes;
- Providing or contracting for fair housing services for the City;
- Providing training to CP&R staff;

The CDBG-A is responsible for:

• Maintaining policies and procedures, operating guides/manuals, standards, and records

as required by HUD;

- Posting the last Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing on the *Grants, Programs and Disaster Recovery* page on the City's website; and
- Posting the current Assessment of Fair Housing on the *Grants, Programs and Disaster Recovery* page on the City's website;
- Ensuring the Equal Housing Opportunity logo or slogan is used in all signs, ads, brochures, and written communications produced by CP&R;

The CS is responsible for:

- Performing onsite monitoring visits on a regular basis, at least once a year, to ensure compliance of owners/developers/sub-recipient's with HUDs and the City's goals and regulations.
  - In addition to the requirements of this section, multifamily owners, developers and management firms are required to complete and consistently implement an Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan

#### 2. ATTACHMENT A: List of Marketing Targets

Moore Youth and Family Attn: Executive Director 624 NW 5 <sup>th</sup> St. Moore, Oklahoma 73160	Aging Services Inc. Attn: Executive Director 1179 East Main St. Norman, OK 73071	Bethesda, INC. Attn: Executive Director 1181 East Main St. Norman, OK 73071
Moore Public Schools Foundation for Excellence PO Box 6100 Moore, Oklahoma 73153	Father's Business 825 NW 24 <sup>th</sup> St. Moore, Oklahoma 73160	Moore Public Library Branch Manager 225 S. Howard Ave Moore, Oklahoma 73160
Mary Abbott Children's House 231 East Symmes Norman, Oklahoma 73069	Moving Forward After School Program 2444 Nottingham Way Moore, Oklahoma 73160	Cleveland County Habitat for Humanity 1855 Industrial Boulevard Norman, Oklahoma 73071
City of Norman Continuum of Care PO Box 370 Norman, OK 73707	Center for Children & Families 1151 E. Main St. Norman, Oklahoma 73071 210 S. Cockrel Ave. Norman, OK 73071	Cleveland County Career Center 1125 E. Main St. Norman, Oklahoma 73071
Central Oklahoma Community Action Agency 1155 E. Main St.	Compassion Pointe 1173 E. Main St.	Crossroads Youth and Family Services 1333 W. Main St.

DAG Educational Enrichment Center 1183 E. Main St Norman, Oklahoma 73071

Norman, Oklahoma 73071

Oklahoma People First 1183 E. Main St Norman, Oklahoma 73071

Norman, Oklahoma 73071

Norman, Oklahoma 73069

First Church Moore 301 NE 27th St. Moore, OK 73160 Norman variety Care 317 E Himes St. Norman, OK 73069 First United Methodist Church 201 W. Main St. Moore, Oklahoma 73160

Food and Shelter for Friends, Inc. Attn: Executive Director PO Box 5537 Norman, OK 73070 CART Attn: Douglas Myers 731 Elm Ave Norman, OK 73019

Inc.

Thunderbird Clubhouse Board, Inc. Attn: Executive Director PO Box 1666 Norman, OK 73070

Bridges, Inc. Attn: Executive Director 1670 N. Stubbeman Norman, OK 73069 Attn: Michi Medley 1185 E. Main St. Norman, OK 73071

Among Friends Activity Center,

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Oklahoma PO Box 1355 Norman, OK 73070 Community Services Building, Inc. Attn: Christi Moore 1183 E. Main St Norman, OK 73071

Center for Children and Families, Inc. Attn: Executive Director 1151 E. Main St. Norman, OK 73070

Serve More 224 S Chestnut Ave Moore, OK 73160

Crime Stoppers of Moore 117 E. Main St. Moore, OK 73160 Cleveland County Health Dept. 424 S Eastern Ave Moore, OK 73160 Progressive Independence, Inc. Attn: Executive Director 121 N. Porter Norman, OK 73071

Metropolitan Fair Housing Council, Inc. Attn: Mary Dulan 312 NE 28<sup>TH</sup> ST. SUITE 112 Oklahoma City, OK 73105 Brilliant Book Clubs ATTN: Lindsay McClellan 2641 Kent Dr. Oklahoma City, OK 73120 Moore Faith Medical Clinic 224 S. Chestnut Ave, STE 100 Moore, OK 73160

3. Procedure: Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan			
<b>Overview of Fair Housing Procedures</b>			
Responsible Party	Task		
Project-Grants Manager (P-GM)	Reviews		
Administrative Assistant (CDBG-A)	Administrative activities		
Compliance Specialist (CS)	Monitoring Plan		

The owner/developer/sub-recipient reviews the City's Fair Housing Policy and requirements;

The Developer must submit an Affirmative Marketing Plan at least 30 days prior to pre-lease or marketing of units, whichever occurs first. The owner/developer/sub-recipient completes:

- Form HUD 935-2A (<u>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=935-2a.pdf</u>) for multifamily projects or
- Form HUD 935-2B (<u>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=935-2b.pdf</u>) for single family projects.
- The owner/developer/sub-recipient submits the AFHM Plan to the P-GM for review.
- The P-GM reviews and approves or denies the AFHM Plan;
  - If denied, the owner/developer/sub-recipient resubmits until approved;
- The P-GM forwards the approved AFHM Plan to the CDBG-A and the CS;
- The CDBG-A files the AFHM Plan in the owner/developer/sub-recipients file;
- The CS utilizes the AFHM Plan in the monitoring plan for the owner/developer/subrecipient