



## REPORT

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**ATTENTION:** Chair and Members of the San Diego Housing Commission  
For the Agenda of January 20, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Workshop Presentation and Discussion: Moving to Work (MTW) Initiative  
Update and Proposed Fiscal Year 2013 MTW Annual Plan

The San Diego Housing Commission (“Housing Commission”) was reinstated as an MTW agency in January 2009. The purpose of the MTW demonstration program is to provide public housing agencies (PHAs) the flexibility to design and test various approaches for providing and administering housing assistance to achieve the following statutory objectives:

- Reduce costs and achieve greater cost effectiveness in federal expenditures;
- Give incentives to families with children where the head of household is working, seeking work, or is preparing for work by participating in job training, educational programs, or programs that assist people to obtain employment and become economically self-sufficient; and
- Increase housing choices for low-income families.

Since reinstatement, the Housing Commission has proposed and received federal Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) approval to implement twenty-one initiatives. During the January 2012 meeting, Housing Commission staff will provide status updates on selected initiatives implemented thus far as well as apprise the Housing Commission Board of the status of the Path to Success Initiative. Path to Success was originally presented to the Board during a workshop on January 13, 2011 and approved by the Board on March 18, 2011. This initiative is scheduled to begin full implementation in July 2013 and is designed to streamline the rental assistance programs, encourage economic independence in program participants, and eventually increase program capacity.

Housing Commission staff is also developing the Fiscal Year 2013 MTW Plan which includes several initiatives to be proposed to HUD. The initiatives within the Housing Commission’s draft Plan are designed to further streamline administrative processes, encourage self-sufficiency among participants, and increase housing opportunities for families, including veterans. An overview of these activities, as well as information regarding a proposed amendment of the Moving to Work agreement to allow greater funding flexibility will be included in the presentation.

No action will be taken during the meeting on January 20, 2012 as the proposed MTW Plan for Fiscal Year 2013 will be presented to the Housing Commission Board for formal review and approval during the March 2012 meeting.

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