

IMPACT ANALYSIS – ACTIVITY 2024-03 Include Internet in Utility Allowance

FACTOR 1: Impact on the agency's finances (e.g., how much will the activity cost, any change in the agency's per family contribution)

This activity will significantly increase the agency's finances. On average the internet costs \$50 in Alameda and with approximately 1600 households who fall under MTW, this could mean an increase of up to \$80,000/month.

FACTOR 2: Impact on affordability of housing costs for affected families (e.g., any change in how much affected families will pay towards their housing costs)

This activity would make housing more affordable for affected families as it could potentially decrease their portion of the rent by about \$50/month.

FACTOR 3: Impact on the agency's waitlist(s) (e.g., any change in the amount of time families are on the waitlist)

This activity would not affect the agency's waitlist.

FACTOR 4: Impact on the agency's termination rate of families (e.g., any change in the rate at which families non-voluntarily lose assistance from the agency)

This activity would not affect the agency's termination rate of families.

FACTOR 5: Impact on the agency's current occupancy level in public housing and utilization rate in the HCV program

This activity would not affect the agency's current occupancy level.

FACTOR 6: Impact on meeting the MTW statutory goals of cost effectiveness, self-sufficiency, and/or housing choice

This activity would meet the MTW statutory goal of self-sufficiency as it would decrease the tenant portion of rent and allow families to use this additional income for other necessities.

FACTOR 7: Impact on the agency's ability to meet the MTW statutory requirements

a) Very Low-Income Requirement

The AHA will be able to meet this requirement since this activity does not affect the very low-income requirement of new admissions.

b) Reasonable Rent Policy

This AHA will be able to meet this requirement since activity decreases the family's portion of rent.

c) Substantially the Same Requirement

The AHA will be able to meet this requirement since this activity does not affect the total number of households housed.

d) Comparable Mix Requirement

The AHA will be able to meet this requirement since this activity does not affect family size.

e) Housing Quality Standards (HQS)

The AHA will be able to meet this requirement since this activity would not affect the HQS and all units will be expected to be upkept in accordance with HQS.

FACTOR 8: Impact on the rate of hardship requests and the number granted and denied as a result of this activity

This activity would not cause a hardship to the families and as such a hardship request is not needed for this activity.

FACTOR 9: Across the other factors above, the impact on protected classes (and any associated disparate impact)

This activity would not have an impact on any of the protected classes as this activity would apply to all families regardless of their protected class status.