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HACD Submits 5-Year Plan

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The Housing Authority of the City of Danbury (HACD) has submitted its Annual Plan for 2017 and Five-Year Plan for 2017 through 2021 to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

HACD is among the largest public housing authorities in the State of Connecticut with a combined state/federal public and housing choice voucher program. HACD provides 1,840 affordable and senior rental units at seven sites and private properties in Danbury and throughout the region.

Among the goals and objectives of the plans are:

TO EXPAND the supply of assist-

ed housing by applying for additional rental vouchers, reduce public housing vacancies, leverage public and private funds to create housing and acquire or build additional units or developments.

TO IMPROVE the quality of assisted housing.

TO INCREASE assisted housing choices through voucher mobility counseling, landlord outreach, decrease voucher payment standards, continued voucher home ownership programs and implement public housing site-based waiting lists.

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2016 Voucher Payment Standards Announced

Annually, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) publishes its Fair Market Rents (FMR) structure. The Housing Choice Voucher Program is required to use FMR data to establish its Payment Standards. The 2016 FMR

standards for the Danbury area have been reduced by 21% to 25%. Litchfield County was reduced by about 5%. Thus the payment standards are reduced for Housing Choice Voucher participants.

HACD finds it necessary to notify participants and landlords of these changes due to the potential impact on families wishing to move within the districts.

(Please see schedule on Page 3.)



Lt. Nicholas Cabral (l), shown with Fire Chief T.J. Wiedl receiving a mayoral proclamation

Danbury's Firefighter of the Year

Lt. Nicholas W. Cabral of the Danbury Fire Department, has been named the Exchange Club of Danbury's Firefighter of the Year.

He was honored at a dinner at Anthony's Lake Club sponsored by the Housing Authority of the City of Danbury.

A member of the fire department since 2006, he was promoted to his current rank in 2013.

He recently led the Fire Service Day open house committee and serves on the turnout gear evaluation and selection committee. He served as chair of the department's Health and

Safety committee.

In selecting Lt. Cabral, the department stated he "consistently interacts with the public with excellence and represents the department in a professional manner at all times."

He lives in Sandy Hook with his wife Amanda and their daughters.

Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.

--Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

HACD ANNUAL SENIORS' HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

**Anthony's Lake Club
Christopher Columbus Boulevard
5:30 - 9 PM**

HACD Residents \$10 Guests \$20
Reservations Required

Contact your property coordinator by
December 1, 2016

20 Years With HACD

Estela Frances (bottom, center) celebrated her 20-years-service with members of public housing staff. Estella joined HACD on July 22, 1996 and is now the property coordinator for Putnam Towers and Crosby and Wooster Manors.



HACD Submits Plans continued

The Housing Authority will continue to stride to improve the city's quality of life and economic vitality and its goal by:

IMPLEMENTING measures to deconcentrate poverty by bringing higher income public housing households into lower income developments;

IMPLEMENT measures to pro-

mote income mixing in public housing by assuring access for lower income families into higher income developments.

INCREASE public housing security.

DESIGNATE developments or buildings for groups such as elderly or persons with disabilities.

HACD's continued strategic goal is to ensure equal opportunities in housing for all.

The plans were presented to the Citywide Public Housing Residents Council for input and were also presented to a public hearing. They were then open to a comment period before submission to HUD.

HACD STAFF SPECIAL EVENTS

The following staff are celebrating birthdays in October, November and December:

- Josh Smith
- Dionne Carr
- Karen Latham
- Irving Saunders
- Merari Matos
- M. Carolyn Sistrunk
- Logan Davis

2016 HCV Schedules (continued from page 1)

The new Payment standards for the HCV program in effect October 1, 2016 are as follows:

	Danbury	New Milford
Efficiency	\$967	\$743
One Bedroom	\$1,202	\$876
Two Bedroom	\$1,500	\$1,116
Three Bedroom	\$1,878	\$1,414
Four Bedroom	\$2,355	\$1,644

All new voucher holders leasing on or after October 1, 2016 will use this posted schedule.

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Myeisha Boyd is pictures in the White House Briefing Room

Politics In Her Future?

Mill Ridge resident and University of Hartford student Myeisha Boyd spent her Spring at The White House as part of the University's Study Abroad Office's Washington Semester. Myeisha spent fifteen hours a week working in the White House Office of Presidential Correspondence.

Myeisha is a senior majoring in politics and government at the University's College of Arts and Sciences.

Her assignment at the White House involved reading letters and requests and responding on behalf of President Obama. This includes messages to persons celebrating weddings, birthdays and anniversaries.

Continuing her experiences in the world of politics, she is interning in the office of Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin and working in Hillary Clinton's campaign office in Hartford. She also interned in the office of U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal

Myeisha is a 2013 graduate of Danbury High School. She is the daughter of Tonya Perkins and Michael Boyd. She has a younger brother, Jamar. Myeisha is also the niece of HACD Chief Operating Officer Jackie Elam.

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