



**Charlotte Housing Authority**  
*Moving Forward Initiatives Summary*

APPROVED HUD INITIATIVES	DESCRIPTION	FISCAL YEAR IDENTIFIED	STATUS
Biennial Review	Re-certifications for all CHA households are conducted bi-annually; criminal background checks are conducted at recertification for family members 16 years of age or older.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2010-2011 Ongoing
Rent Reform and Work Requirement	Rent calculation modified and minimum rent increased. A hardship policy is in place. A Work Requirement Initiative was implemented in FY 2010 – 2011 for households receiving case management.	2009-2010	Implemented FY2010-2011 Ongoing
Site-based waiting lists Public Housing and Project Based Section 8.	All public housing and Project-based Section 8 property waiting lists are managed at the site level. Applicants must apply at the site for occupancy.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Good Neighbor Training	CHA provides "Good Neighbors" type training for all new and existing Housing Choice Voucher and public housing participants to assist families in their acclimation into a neighborhood.	2007-2008	Implemented FY2007-2008 Ongoing
Adopt investment policies consistent with state law	CHA adopted investment policies that are consistent with state law to achieve a portfolio which is safer, more liquid and obtains competitive yield.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Modify Project-Based Section 8 inspection procedures	CHA received approval from HUD to waive the requirement for an initial Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection on newly constructed Project-Based Section 8 units and utilize local building standards inspection and subsequent issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) as a substitution of the initial or move-in inspection.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Community Based Rental Assistance (Project-Based Section 8 Process)	Simplified the selection process in order to maximize the number of quality Section 8 assisted units throughout Charlotte. Includes Traditional, Housing for Persons with Disabilities, special needs and homeless and Local Rental Subsidy activities	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Resident Safety Initiatives	The Resident Safety Department expanded the types of crime prevention initiatives and program enforcement initiatives for CHA public housing sites.	2009-2010	Implemented FY2009-2010 Ongoing
Moving Forward Supportive Services	Moving Forward Supportive Services is designed to stabilize and improve families by fortifying them through education, life skills, motivation and employment training to compete in the economic marketplace.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Youth Initiatives	CHA is focused on providing services for youth that connect them to programs and services that address truancy, post-secondary education preparation, and academic performance improvement.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008-2009 Ongoing
Participant and landlord tracking program	The University of North Carolina at Charlotte (UNCC) utilized a Geographic Information Science (GIS) mapping system to identify voucher holders within	2007-2008	Implemented FY2007-2008 Ongoing

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	Mecklenburg County in order to analyze the census tracts with a large number of Housing Choice voucher holders to assist with deconcentration.		
Increase acquisition and rehabilitation of existing multi-family properties	CHA established a strategy and adopted a policy to increase the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing multifamily properties.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008–2009 Ongoing
Land Acquisition for Future Use	CHA designed local standards to guide land purchases in desirable, rapidly growing areas to provide more housing choices.	2008-2009	Implemented FY2008–2009 Ongoing
Local Non-Traditional	CHA used funds outside of Sections 8 and 9 to: Acquire general partnership interest; construct mixed-income housing; renovate, construct and operate supportive housing; implement a local rental subsidy program and convert units to public housing.	2010-2011	Implemented FY2010-2011 Ongoing
Streamline Project-Based Vouchers (PBV) and Public Housing Regulations at Mixed-Income Developments	Modified its Project-Based voucher (PBV) and Public Housing policies to blend the program and simplify administration when units reside in the same development/building.	2014-2015	Implemented FY2014-2015
Public Housing No Assistance Termination Policy	Terminate the housing of participants that reach the ceiling/market rent in a mixed-income development and has income that qualifies them to pay that rent for 6 months. The household will be considered "graduated", however, they will remain in the unit and the next market rate unit which becomes available will become a public housing unit.	2014-2015	Implemented FY2014-2015
Biennial Inspection of Housing Choice Voucher Units	Modified the frequency of HQS inspections by inspecting qualifying housing stock biennially. Only properties and units that meet certain criteria will be categorized as a High Performance Unit (HPU), thus qualifying for biennial inspections.	2014-2015	Implemented FY2014-2015
HCV Homeownership Program	CHA supplements eligible participant's income with a monthly subsidy equal to their calculated Housing Assistance Payment for their mortgage.	2015-2016	Implemented 2015-2016 Ongoing
Triennial Reexamination for Elderly/Disabled Households	Households designated as elderly and disabled in the HCV Program and those residing in the elderly and disabled developments for the Public Housing program are recertified every three years.	2015-2016	Implementation has not begun
Limit elective HCV Transfers to 18 months	CHA will approve an elective move transfer only if the HCV participant has lived in the current unit for a minimum of eighteen (18) months unless the situation involves a mandatory or permissible move	2016	CHA received approval on December 15, 2015. Planning for implementation underway
Work Requirement for new incoming HCV Portable Families	Once CHA implements the agency wide HCV Work Requirement, CHA will also implement a policy requiring families that port into Mecklenburg County be either working or have a verifiable employment offer for employment.	Still in planning phase.	CHA received approval on December 15, 2015. Planning for implementation underway
Implement a single platform for inspections	CHA will standardize HCV, PBV and PH inspection processes, adopting the UPCS as the model for all inspections in lieu of HQS.	2016	CHA received approval on December 15, 2015. Planning for implementation underway