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ASSET MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE (AMC)

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- DATE: June 16, 2020
- TO: CHRP-R, FHDP, RHCP-BOND, SUHRP and DDS Borrowers and Management Agents
- FROM: Lindy Suggs, Branch Chief Asset Management and Compliance Branch
- SUBJECT: Consumer Price Index (CPI) Factor for Rent Increase Calculation for 2021 for CHRP-R, FHDP, RHCP-Bond, SUHRP and DDS

Administrative Note: This Administrative Notice establishes a formal written notification of administrative guidelines that affect the operation of Department programs. This format is used to identify, clarify and record administrative guidelines and interpretations of public interest.

The purpose of this notice is to inform borrowers and management agents that the Consumer Price Index factor *(all urban consumers, west urban, rent of primary residence)* to be used in the formula for calculating increases in project rents for fiscal years beginning in 2021 is **4.2** percent. This figure is based upon data from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Program regulations require that borrowers submit proposed budgets and rent increase requests at least 60 days prior to the end of the current fiscal year. If you wish to request an increase in project rents that exceeds the CPI formula increase, please discuss it with your Asset Management Representative as early as possible to confirm that it will meet Regulatory requirements.

Please note that this CPI factor is used for all CHRP-R, FHDP, RHCP-Bond and SUHRP rent increase calculations, and for only those DDS projects that require its use in the project's regulatory agreement. If you have a DDS -funded project, please check your DDS Regulatory Agreement to determine if you are to use this factor for your rent increase calculation.

When submitting your annual budgets and rent information, please use the forms on the HCD's website at: <u>http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/already-have-funding/all-rental-projects.shtml</u>

If you have any questions regarding the 2021 CPI factor or the electronic budget forms, please contact your Asset Management Representative.