March 17, 2020

To: Harford County Housing Agency Housing Choice Voucher Program’s Notice to (Section 8) Landlords, Tenants, Partners, and the General Public

The Harford County Housing Agency’s Housing Choice Voucher Program (“HCVP” or “Section 8”) Office located at 15 South Main Street, Bel Air, MD, 21014 will be changing its normal operating procedures starting Wednesday, March 18, 2020 until further notice. In response to the most recent developments of the pandemic Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we have established the following:

• There will be no appointments, walk-ins or inspections until further notice.
• HCV Program Participants should make every attempt to send in their recertification paperwork via fax, email, or mail. Contact your Housing Analyst to discuss the best approach to completing your recertification or interim certification.
• Housing Analysts will be reaching out to HCV Program Participants who have recertification appointments or initial briefings for the remainder of March and early April to brief them on how to conduct their recertifications or reschedule.
• If you have a scheduled HAP Contract signing or a unit that recently passed inspection, you will receive instructions from the Analyst assigned to your account.
• HCV Annual Inspections are canceled until further notice. Our inspectors will consider some inspections on a case by case basis. If you have questions regarding inspections, please contact Jack Wilson at jmwilson@harfordcountymd.gov.
• Landlords who are facing abatement should reach out to their Housing Analyst with any questions.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience and understanding during this national emergency. The best way to stay informed is by keeping in touch with our office and in particular, your Housing Analyst.

Sincerely,

Housing Choice Voucher Program
The Office of Community and Economic Development
Harford County, Maryland