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Renew Miami Chapel Phase 1

Dear DeSoto Bass Tenant,

<u>Communication Update:</u> GDPM received tentative HUD approval to move forward with the RAD Conversion and rehabilitation of a portion of DeSoto Bass. <u>You are invited to participate in a resident</u> <u>meeting with GDPM staff, either in person or via Zoom.</u> Attendance is not mandatory. But, during the meeting, we will record and answer questions regarding the project. If unable to participate or you want the Zoom link sent to you, please email staff at <u>housingdevelopment@dmha.org</u>.

In person Meeting: Onsite community room near Banker Place (not the 904 building) Thurs. Feb 1st, 2p.m.-3.m.;
Zoom: Online, see reverse side for details; Thurs. Feb. 1st, 10a.m.-11a.m.

Relocation Details: As part of the application to demolish these buildings, residents are being transferred onsite. Residents transferred as a result of this process will be offered the first opportunity to occupy new units and priority access to new unit waitlists.

<u>**Timeline Update:**</u> Demolition is anticipated to begin in Summer 2024 with construction likely starting towards the end of 2024 or beginning of 2025.

2023/2024- relocate residents onsite to make way for demolition and construction

Summer 2024 demolition

Winter 2024- construction

2025/2026 construction complete and residents move in

Subject to change based on application/funding delays

Redevelopment Details: As part of the community transformation plan to invest in DeSoto Bass and the surrounding neighborhood, the redevelopment of DeSoto Bass is planned to occur in phases. Most of the phases will be built on-site, and one phase will be built off-site. The first phase of on-site construction at DeSoto (Renew Miami Chapel Phase 1) has been awarded funding to build 44 townhome units. The off-site phase is currently being built at the former Daymont West location and will have 50 multi-family units.



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GDPM- Housing Development is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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RAD Resident Meeting

10 a.m. DeSoto Bass Community Room

RENEW MIAMI CHAPEL PHASE 1 AGENDA

1. <u>WHY THIS MEETING?</u> This meeting is being held to update residents regarding their opportunities regarding the demolition and rebuild of DeSoto Bass units under the Renew Miami Chapel redevelopment plan.

2. <u>WHAT IS RAD? (It's a tool for conversion)</u>

- a. HUD initiative that allows housing authorities to convert its properties to a more stable funding platform (from public housing to PBRA/PBV) and allows housing authorities to seek additional funding sources to renovate/replace housing.
- b. Nationally, more than 100,000 public housing units have converted to RAD
- c. Congress will allow up to 455,000 public housing units to convert to RAD

3. WHY MY PROPERTY?

- a. GDPM along with CityWide, residents and neighborhood stakeholders have been working together since 2016 to envision what a revitalized DeSoto Bass and Miami Chapel will look like culminating in the Renew Miami Chapel Transformation Plan.
- b. To this end, GDPM and other stakeholders are using multiple funding sources and HUD processes to build on and offsite in housing phases.
- c. RAD as one of these tools allows us to seek additional funds (tax credits, grants, mortgages), while also ensuring that you are not displaced from the property.

4. WHAT'S THE PLAN FOR YOUR PROPERTY?

- a. At this point, we're updating residents regarding the upcoming phase and your opportunities as residents immediately impacted by this plan.
- b. 84 units are going to be demolished onsite. 94 units are being rebuilt, 44 townhome units will be rebuilt onsite (Renew Miami Chapel Phase 1) and 50 multi-family units will be built offsite (Germantown Crossing). Both will have 1, 2 & 3 bedroom units.
 - i. Residents moved as a result of demolition will get priority access to either properties.
- c. Utilities will be required upon returning to a completed unit. Please reach out to our Resident Services Department to help you seek resources to prepare so that you will be eligible for a new unit. Both properties are funded with tax credits, therefore reverifying income will be required prior to occupying new construction.
- d. No resident may be permanently displaced from DeSoto Bass Courts/Renew Miami Chapel as a result of this construction.



5. <u>RESIDENT RIGHTS & RELOCATION</u>

- a. Eligible for public housing program eligible for RAD.
- b. Rent still 30% of income, maintain grievance rights, 1-for-1 replacement, and choicemobility.
- c. If temporary relocation offsite is needed -- residents have the RIGHT TO RETURN.
 - i. You will be contacted at least 30 days prior to relocation and will receive financial assistance to minimize hardship during the temporary transition.
 - ii. Relocating onsite is not considered displacement by HUD. Therefore, it is at GDPM's discretion which unit's residents may re-occupy.
- d. If you have additional questions, please leave a message at the RAD hotline at 937.910.5444, or email the planning development team at <u>housingdevelopment@dmha.org</u>

6. <u>NEXT STEPS</u>

- a. Prior to demolition, onsite relocation to current vacant units is being handled by property management. HUD considers onsite relocation to be a unit transfer.
- b. Staff is attempting to organize relocations over the next 2 months prior to demolition. If residents do not comply with the onsite transfer process, staff may initiate eviction proceedings for non-compliance assuming sufficient time has been granted to residents to comply.
- c. Staff will include resident comments and our responses to the comments to HUD as part of the HUD review process.

RAD RESIDENT RIGHTS In Public Housing



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Know your Rights

As a resident of a public housing property that is participating in RAD you have the following rights:

Prior to conversion

- Receive notice and participate in meetings
- Comment on the conversion
 plans

At conversion

- To maintain residency in the property
- If temporary relocation is necessary, you are provided relocation protections and a right to return

After conversion:

- Pay no more than 30% of adjusted income in rent
- Right to participate in a resident organization.
- Right to exercise "Choice-Mobility"
- Your lease must be renewed and you cannot be evicted without cause
- Right to termination and grievance procedures.

What is RAD?

Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) use the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program to preserve affordable housing and improve properties by "converting" their form of federal assistance to the Section 8 program. PHAs choose to convert to either: Section 8 project-based voucher (PBV) or Section 8 project-based rental assistance (PBRA).



The Tempo at Encore, Tampa Housing Authority

PBV and PBRA both attach long-term rental assistance to properties, so current and future residents never pay more than 30% of their adjusted gross income (total income minus allowable deductions) in rent. After a property converts to PBV or PBRA, your public housing lease ends and you will sign a Section 8 lease with the "owner" who in many cases will continue to be the PHA. You will still have the same core rights that you have as a public housing tenant but will also gain new rights and protections under RAD.

This brochure provides greater detail on each of the resident rights and protections that HUD requires as a public housing property converts through RAD.

Conversion is Voluntary Public housing agencies (PHAs) voluntarily choose to convert a public housing property through RAD in order to preserve, repair, and in some cases, redevelop the property. PHAs must show HUD that the property will Property Improvements address any repair needs and remain in good condition after conversion. PHAs must preserve the same number One-for-one Replacement of affordable dwelling units (with minor allowances for reductions). Long-term Preservation The property must be placed under a long term Section 8 assistance contract that must renew each time it expires. Public Stewardship Properties must be owned or controlled by a public or non-profit body after RAD conversion.

Key Preservation Principles of RAD

PHA Conversion Process

PHA discusses

residents and

conversion with

with Board and

submits preliminary

application to HUD

PHA include RAD

plans in PHA Plan

PHA provides

HUD, including

assessment of

and resident

HUD Approves

commits PHA to required repairs

Financing Plan and

comments

property condition,

sources of financing

to address repairs,

full plans to

for community input



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PHA Plan



Concept Call & Financing Plan



RAD Conversion Commitment



Property placed under Section 8 contract. Residents sign new leases

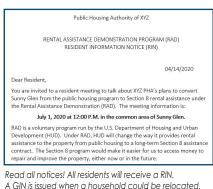
Construction (if applicable)

Repairs/ construction completed. Residents temporarily relocated, if needed

Residents can ask about impacts to their rent, repairs on the property, and whether there will be relocation. Participating in resident meetings throughout the RAD process is the best way to ensure your voice is heard.

Pre-Conversion: Resident Notification

Residents have a right to be notified of project plans and any potential changes. Before submitting a RAD application to HUD, PHAs must issue a written notification to resident organizations and issue a Resident Information Notice (RIN) to each resident. The RIN will describe the PHA's initial conversion plans and will notify you of the first resident meeting, where RAD resident rights and project plans will be discussed in detail. A PHA must hold at least two resident meetings before submitting its application.



Pre-Conversion: Resident Engagement

After PHAs hold two resident meetings and submit a RAD Application, HUD issues a Commitment to Enter into Housing Assistance Payments (CHAP), which serves as an initial award. The PHA then proceeds to develop a more robust conversion plan. A PHA must have at least one meeting with residents after a CHAP is issued, but before requesting a Concept Call with HUD, when it will describe its progress towards submitting a Financing Plan. After the Concept Call, but before submission of a Financing Plan, the PHA must have an additional resident meeting. At each of these resident meetings, the PHA will discuss conversion plans, respond to questions, and collect resident feedback. Residents and resident organizations are encouraged to meet prior to resident meetings to organize questions and feedback. PHAs are required to hold additional resident meetings when there are substantial changes to conversion plans or when HUD grants the PHA extensions.

Relocation is generally not required during a RAD conversion, but if it is part of the plan, a PHA must issue a General Information Notice (GIN), which includes your rights under RAD and a law called the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act (URA), which gives residents rights to relocation assistance.

When HUD issues a RAD Conversion Commitment (RCC), the PHA must notify residents that conversion has been approved and address anticipated timing, duration, revised terms of the lease and house rules, any anticipated relocation, and opportunities and procedures for the exercise of choice mobility, when available.

All materials must be accessible to those with hearing, visual, and other communication-related disabilities and to those with limited English proficiency.

A PHA must prepare comprehensive written responses to resident comments collected during resident meetings. HUD reviews resident comments and concerns when deciding whether to grant an (RCC), which is the step before the RAD transaction reaches the final stage—closing.

PHA Plan. Note that in addition to meeting with residents of the converting project, a PHA must also amends its PHA Plan to reflect the proposed RAD conversion and solicit community input. As part of this process, a PHA will hold separate public meetings and collect comments.



Residents should ask about any impacts converting to Section 8 may have on their rent, repairs that might be done on the property, and whether residents will need to be relocated temporarily.

Right to Remain and Return

No resident may be permanently involuntarily displaced. All residents must be offered the ability to remain in or, if temporary relocation is necessary, to return to the property: Residents who are not asked to relocate have a right to remain at the property. If you are temporarily relocated, you have a right to return to the property. A PHA may choose to offer residents alternative housing options, instead of returning to the property. It is fully your choice whether or not to accept an alternative housing option. You cannot be denied your right to remain in or return to a property based on any HUD re-screening criteria, income eligibility, or income targeting. The unit you return to must not leave you "underhoused," meaning the unit must have at least the number of bedrooms you are allowed under the PHA's rules. The new unit must also provide the same main features of your previous unit.

In some RAD conversions, the assistance is transferred to a new site. In these cases, residents have the right to reside in a unit at the new site.

Right to Relocation Assistance

Most RAD conversions do not require relocation, but if relocation is necessary, residents will receive an early indication through a General Information Notice (GIN) at the CHAP phase. The GIN is not your notice to relocate.

If you must relocate, you will receive separate notices and have further discussions with the PHA to go over relocation options and process.

Relocation can take many forms. Residents can relocate within the property or may be temporarily relocated off-site. Alternatively, a resident may accept a PHA's offer for a permanent off-site housing option. In all cases, the PHA must cover reasonable packing and moving expenses, any increases in housing costs, and other related expenses.

If you must relocate, you will receive a separate "Notice of Relocation." The Notice of Relocation will provide a time frame for when relocation may occur — at least 30 days for relocation that will last for a year or less or at least 90 days for relocation that will last more than a year. Except in extraordinary circumstances, relocation cannot occur prior to the issuance of the RAD Conversion Commitment (RCC).

Relocations lasting more than a year are subject to special provisions under the Uniform Relocation Act which require relocation assistance and benefits, including relocation advisory services.

Option to Move With a Voucher ("Choice-Mobility")

After living in the property for a certain period, residents of a RAD PBV or PBRA property have the option to request a tenant-based voucher in order to move from the property and rent a unit in another property. This option is referred to as "Family Right To Move" in your lease. It is the resident's decision whether or not to exercise this option.

For conversions to PBV, residents may request to move with a voucher anytime after living at the property for one year. When you wish to exercise this "choice-mobility" option, you will contact your PHA to request a tenantbased voucher. For conversions to PBRA, unless the PHA has been granted a good-cause exemption (please consult with your PHA), residents may request to move with a voucher anytime after living at the property for two years. When you wish to exercise this option, you will generally contact the owner, unless they have provided a means for you to contact the PHA directly.

If a voucher is not immediately available, your family is given priority to receive the next available voucher. After living at the property for a period, a resident may elect to move out with a tenantbased voucher in order to move closer to a job, family, better schools, or any other reason.

A PHA will pay for reasonable increases in housing costs, packing and moving assistance, and reasonable costs associated with transferring utilities and associated deposits. Ongoing Right to Participate in a Resident Organization

RAD residents have the right to establish and operate a resident organization that addresses issues related to the living environment, including the terms and conditions of residency, and activities related to housing and community development. Resident organizations are independent from management, meet regularly, operate democratically, and represent all residents. If your property does not have a resident organization, owners must allow residents and outside resident organizers to conduct activities that include distributing leaflets, knocking on doors, and otherwise making contact with residents. Owners must reasonably make available on-site space for resident meetings, which must be accessible to people with disabilities. Finally, Owners must make available at least \$25 per unit per year for resident participation activities, including resident education, organizing around tenancy issues, and training. At least \$15 per unit per year must be made available to the resident organization for eligible activities.

Ongoing Right to Grievance Procedures

Owners must provide residents advanced written notification of any lease termination. Further, residents have a right to address disputes, grievances, and adverse actions taken by an owner. Residents must be provided with notice of the reasons for any a proposed adverse action, an opportunity for an informal hearing, and a written decision within a reasonable time-frame.

Informal hearings at PBV properties are performed by the PHA, while hearings at PBRA properties are performed by an impartial member of the project owner's staff. The grievance process must be outlined in your lease.

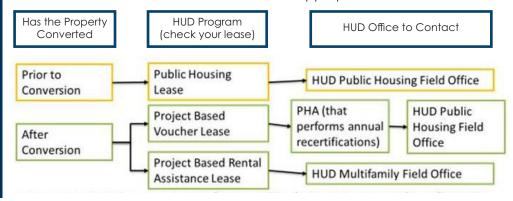
Need More Information?

Typically, the best place to start when you have questions or issues related to a RAD conversion is to have a discussion with your property manager or PHA. However, there are other resources residents may access to gather additional information:

- Find resources at <u>www.hud.gov/RAD/residents</u>
- Email <u>RAD@hud.gov</u>
- Use www.radresource.net to track the status of RAD

projects. By accessing the "DATA" spoke on the "RAD for PHAS" part of the site (pictured), users can create custom data exports, searchable by state or PHA

• If your question or issue is not adequately addressed, you can seek additional assistance. The appropriate HUD contact will depend on what program your property falls under: public housing, Project-Based Voucher, or Project Based Rental Assistance. If you're not sure, check your lease. The graphic below identifies which HUD office is most appropriate.



Email questions and comments directly to HUD at: rad@hud.gov



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Residents and resident organizations are encouraged to use resource desk data





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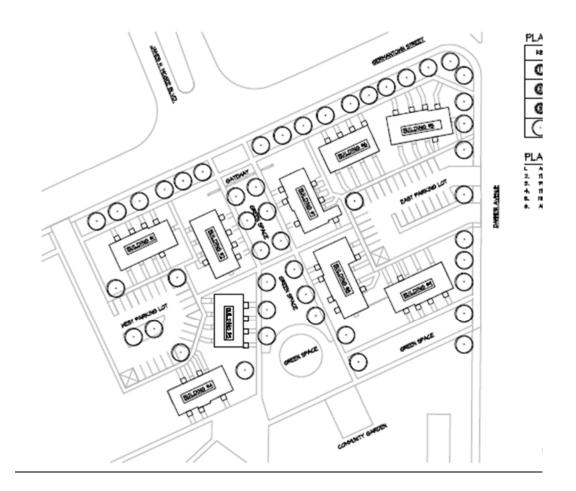
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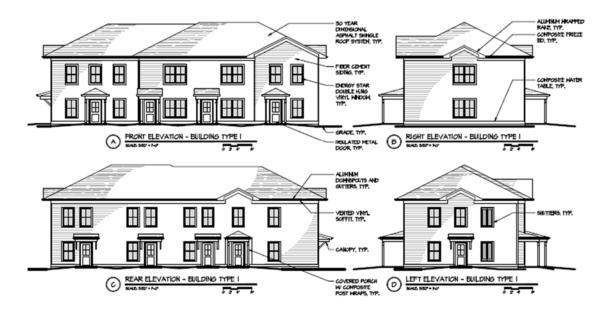
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