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City of Columbia Community Development Department
Housing Programs Division
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Dear Tim Teddy,

The Columbia Housing Authority (CHA) is submitting this letter as a formal request for the City of Columbia to consider extending HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) agreements for FY 2020 and FY 2022 HOME TBRA funding agreements.

CHA's Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program is a 2-year voucher program that assists homeless and at-risk populations to obtain housing and transition to Section 8 vouchers, or other long-term CHA housing options. Both the FY 2020 HOME TBRA funding agreement and FY 2022 funding agreements end on December 31, 2022, presenting a gap in funding for the program from January 1, 2023, through execution of an agreement for the recently awarded FY 2023 TBRA funds likely to occur around January 1, 2024. Many current TBRA program beneficiaries' do not meet minimum HUD requirements for Section 8 with regards to criminal history, therefore a gap in TBRA programming could potentially result in several beneficiaries losing their current housing. CHA is requesting the FY 2020 TBRA agreement be extended through June 1, 2023, and the FY 2022 TBRA agreement be extended through December 31, 2023. Current expenditure rates would allow CHA to cover current voucher cost rates without a gap in services for current program recipients through the end of 2023.

Thank you for your support of CHA and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Randy Cole
CEO
Columbia Housing Authority