



Housing & Redevelopment Authority of Hibbing

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HIBBING, MN--The Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Hibbing announced today the beginning of a public engagement effort about the agency's Moving to Work (MTW) designation.

"MTW means that we are granted flexibility from some federal regulations so that we can develop a program that better helps tenants reach economic self-sufficiency" explained Jackie Prescott, HRA Executive Director.

Public housing agencies across the country have successfully improved the lives of their residents through programs designed under MTW. The agency in Lawrence-Douglas County, Kansas just celebrated moving its 100th family from public housing to private home ownership. Residents in Champaign, Illinois have experienced a nearly 30% increase in average earned income.

"Here in Hibbing," added Prescott, "our vision is to design a system of rent incentives and resource offerings that will ensure both the success and dignity of our residents."

The public is invited to inspect the proposed plan and offer comments. The document will be available on the HRA website (hibbinghra.org) and Facebook page beginning Thursday, October 22.

Additionally, all are welcome to a public hearing on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 4pm on the HRA Main Office front lawn to offer comments and suggestions regarding the proposed MTW Plan.

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