

ACRONYMS

AAF	Annual adjustment factor (published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the Federal Register and used to compute annual rent adjustments)
ACC	Annual Contributions Contract
ADA	American with Disabilities Act of 1990
BMIR	Below Market Interest Rate
BR	Bedroom
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant (Program)
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations (published federal rules that define and implement laws; commonly referred to as “the regulations”)
COFA	Compact of Free Association (re: Compact Agreement between the United States and the Freely Associated States of Agreement).
CPI	Consumer Price Index (published monthly by the Department of Labor as an inflation indicator)
DISID	Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities
EEO	Equal Employment Officer
EID	Earned Income Disregard
EIN	Employer Identification Number
EITC	Earned Income Tax Credit
ELI	Extremely Low-Income
EIV	Enterprise Income Verification
FAS	Freely Associated States
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
FEHO	Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

FHA	Federal Housing Administration
FICA	Federal Insurance Contributions Act (established Social Security Taxes)
FMR	Fair Market Rent
FR	Federal Register
FSS	Family Self-sufficiency (Program)
FUP	Family Unification Program
FY	Fiscal year
FYE	Fiscal year end
GAO	Government Accountability Office
GHURA	Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority
HAP	Housing Assistance Payment
HCA	Housing Credit Agencies
HEA	Higher Education Act of 1965
HCD	Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
HCV	Housing Choice Voucher (program)
HOME	A Community Development Grant
HOPE	Refers to the HUD Urban Revitalization Grant series
HQS	Housing Quality Standards
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
HUDCLIPS	HUD Client Information and Policy System
IG	(HUD Office of) Inspector General
INS	U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service

IPA	Independent Public Auditor
IRA	Individual Retirement Account
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
JTPA	Job Training Partnership Act
KIN-GAP	Kinship guardianship
LBP	Lead-based paint
LEP	Limited English Proficiency
MS	Mainstream Housing Program
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area (established by the U.S. Census Bureau)
MTCS	Multi-family Tenant Characteristic System (Form HUD-50058 sub-module of the PIC system)
NCIC	National Crime Information Center
NOFA	Notice of funding Availability
OIG	Office of the Inspector General
OMB	U.S. Office of Management and Budget
OPH	Office of Public Housing
PASS	Plan to Attain Self Sufficiency
PBV	Project-based Voucher
PIH	Public and Indian Housing
PHA	Public Housing Agency
PHRA	Public Housing Reform Act of 1998 (also known as Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act)
PIC	(Public and Indian Housing) Information Center
PS	Payment Standard

QHWRA	Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998
REAC	Real Estate Assessment Center (U.S. DHUD)
RFP	Request for Proposal
RTA	Request for Tenancy Approval
RIGI	Regional Inspector General for investigation (handles fraud and program abuse matters for HUD at the regional office level)
SEMAP	Section Eight Management Assessment Program
SRO	Single room occupancy
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SSN	Social Security Number
SWICA	State Wage Information Collection Agency
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TR	Tenant Rent
TTD/TTY	Text Telephone Display or Text Tele-type
TTP	Total Tenant Payment
QC	Quality Control
UA	Utility Allowance
UIV	Up-front Income Verification
UFAS	Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards
URP	Utility Reimbursement Payment
U.S.	United States
USCIS	United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

VA Veteran Affairs
VASH Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing
VAWA Violence Against Women Re-authorization Act of 2005