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RE: MFHC Norman, Oklahoma CDBG Fair Housing Contract

Contract Period: 07/1/2018 - 06/30/2019 - Report Period: 07/1/2018 - 06/30/2019 - FINAL

Dear Lisa,

We are pleased to submit the following information to document fair housing activities under the Metropolitan Fair Housing Council's City of Norman CDBG Contract. The information includes:

A. Housing Complaint Intakes / Inquiries:

We are pleased to report that MFHC staff processed sixty-six (66) housing complaint intakes/inquiries from Norman residents during FY 2018 under the CDBG-funded fair housing contract. This is an increase from 45 complaint intakes last year. Twenty-five (25) complaints were covered under the Oklahoma Residential/Non-Residential Landlord Tenant Act, and forty-one (41) were covered under the Federal and State housing discrimination laws. (28-Disability Cases, 09 Familial Status Cases, 01 Race, and 03 Income Source).

B. Formal Housing Discrimination Complaints Filed with the US Dept. of Housing & Urban Development – Office of Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity

We are pleased to report the MFHC staff processed four (04) formal housing discrimination complaints and filed them with HUD/FHEO in Region VI (Ft. Worth, TX). One (1) complaint was race-based, three (03) were disability-based. MFHC serves as the advocate for the complaining party. This is an increase, as no complaints were filed with HUD last year.

C. Race and Ethnicity Log

MFHC reports the largest ethnic population alleging unfair treatment by housing providers from Norman is Caucasian (56 persons) followed by African Americans (09 persons), Hispanics/Latinos (03 persons) and Native American-1.

D. Requests for Reasonable Accommodation or Modification (RA/RM) under the Federal Fair Housing Act

We are pleased to report that MFHC processed fifteen (15) requests for RA/RM during FY 2018 for Norman, Oklahoma residents who are disabled This is an increase from six (06) RA/RM's last year. MFHC has a success rate of 80% with requests granted for FY 2018.

E. Fair Housing Educational Presentation (s)

- 1. We are further pleased to report that Mayor Lynne Miller, City of Norman, Oklahoma, presented the Metropolitan Fair Housing Council with a proclamation on April 09, 2019 in recognition of April as Fair Housing Month and celebrating the 51st Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act at Norman City Council Meeting.
- 2. MFHC conducted Fair Housing/Fair Lending Training for the Norman OK/Cleveland County Continuum of Care Coalition on April 23, 2019.
- 3. MFHC conducted a free Accessibility in Housing Seminar & Visitability in Residential Design Forum on April 25, 2019 in Norman.

We ask that you take into consideration MFHC's performance in meeting or exceeding goals and outcomes under the CDBG Contract funded by the City of Norman, Oklahoma.

Please find attached documents which support MFHC's City of Norman, Oklahoma CDBG-funded fair housing activities performed during the contract period.

Sincerely,

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ATTACHMENTS