

To: All Public Housing Residents
Southward Village, Bonair Tower, Royal Palm and Horizons

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Subject: HUD Requires Smoke-Free Public Housing
24 CFR 965.653(c)

HUD has mandated that each public housing agency (PHA) administering public housing to implement a smoke-free policy. Each PHA must implement a “smoke-free” policy banning the use of prohibited tobacco products in all public housing living units, indoor common areas in public housing, and in PHA administrative office buildings. The smoke-free policy must also extend to all outdoor areas up to 25 feet from the public housing and administrative office buildings. **PHAs may...make their entire grounds smoke-free.**

The “smoke-free” rule is expected to:

- Improve indoor air quality in public housing;
- Benefit the health of public housing residents, visitors and PHA staff;
- Reduce the risk of catastrophic fires;
- Lower overall maintenance costs

HACFM will be instituting the new “smoke-free” policy on January 1, 2018 which will include ALL HACFM Public Housing developments and the HACFM Administration Building.