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To: CDA Housing Subcommittee and CDA Board
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Subject: Director's Monthly Report

Low Rent Public Housing (LRPH) – Occupancy for 2014 was 97% The April 2015 occupancy rate was 97%, the goal established by HUD is 98%.

The CDA has implemented an on-line application system for accepting housing applications. This is the same system used for the 2014 Section 8 wait list opening. People can now apply 24/7 to any open wait list by using a Smart Phone or a computer. Those without computers can find one at any City of Madison Library branch. At the same time, the CDA has also opened its Public Housing 2-, 3-, and 4-bedroom waiting lists. About 280 applications for Public Housing and Multifamily Housing have been received since the system was activated in the middle of May. With the new on-line system, people are able to apply much faster and staff report that application processing is going much faster with fewer incomplete applications.

Housing Choice Voucher/Section 8 – Total of 1558 Vouchers in use in May.

Voucher issuance from the new wait list began in late March. 54 people have been briefed on the program requirements and responsibilities, and been issued vouchers. Additional briefings are scheduled.

Homeownership Program – 33 homes have been purchased.

Family Unification Program (FUP) Voucher – Placement is by referral from Dane County Human Services, 73 of 100 vouchers in use.

Veterans Assistance Supportive Housing (VASH) Vouchers – Placement is by referral from the VA 90 of 133 previous vouchers allocation in use. Award of 21 additional in April brought the total to 154. VA has stated they are stepping up outreach efforts to make referrals and have hired several new staff.

Resolutions –

No. 4133 – Authorizes the Director to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Romnes Resident Association including the disbursement of Resident Participation funds.

No. 4134 – Authorizing the Director to sign a contract for carpentry services for CDA properties with B.K. Builders.