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**To:** LMHA Residents and Participants

**From:** Judith Carlin, Executive Director

**Date:** January 12, 2021

**Re:** CDC Eviction Moratorium Extension

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As we move into 2021, I want to update you on LMHA's plans to keep you housed and safe as we deal with the ongoing COVID- 19 pandemic.

On September 4, 2020, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) issued a nationwide eviction moratorium for tenants affected by COVID-19 effective through December 31, 2020. The CDC eviction moratorium was recently extended through January 31, 2021. Under both the CARES Act and the CDC moratorium, rent was not, and is not forgiven, however, there was, and is, protection from eviction.

Some LMHA residents will be eligible for the moratorium. If you have had a change in income, make sure that you notify LMHA as soon as possible. This is important. The CDC rent moratorium is not automatic. You must fill out a form and return it to your landlord. A copy of the CDC's form is attached to this letter.

The CDC requires that you use "best efforts to obtain all available government assistance for rent or housing." You also must attest that either you will earn no more than \$99,000 in annual income for 2020 (or no more than \$198,000 if filing a joint tax return), were not required to file a 2019 tax return, or you received a CARE'S Act stimulus check.

The form also requires that you affirm that you cannot make your full rent due to increased medical expenses, loss or work, hours, and/or income, that you are using your best efforts to make timely partial payments, and that if evicted you would likely become homeless or dependent on shelter with others who live in close quarters.

Signing the form means you are giving information under penalty of perjury and that you understand that you still owe rent and that you may be liable for fees, penalties, or interest. You can still be evicted for violating other terms of your lease; the only protection under the CDC moratorium is for when you cannot pay your rent for COVID-19 related reasons.

You must fill it out the form completely. If you are an LMHA resident, you can leave your completed form at your property's management office or any agency drop box.

If you are a Section 8 participant provide your landlord a copy of the form. Your lease and agreement to pay your portion of the rent is between you and your landlord. If you do not provide this form to the landlord, you are not protected by the CDC moratorium. If possible, please provide LMHA a copy of your form.

LMHA is monitoring this issue and will post updates if the CDC Moratorium is extended.

If you have further questions about how to make this request, please contact your Management Office.

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