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VACAVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY GOES 10 FOR 10 WITH HUD Section 8 Program receives perfect score for 10th consecutive year

For the 10th consecutive year, the City of Vacaville's Housing Authority has received a perfect score from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for its administration of the City's Section 8 Program.

The Housing Authority received a score of 100 percent on its Section Eight Management Assessment Program, or SEMAP, the federal government's "report card" for housing authorities across the country. SEMAP was implemented in 2000.

"There are 15 indicators, including one bonus indicator, that basically cover all aspects of administering the Section 8 program," said Anne Putney, Housing and Redevelopment Manager for the City of Vacaville. "They include things like making sure we meet timelines, ensuring we're paying the correct amount of rent subsidy on behalf of households, and that we're following regulations and policies."

Seven of the indicators plus the bonus indicator are reviewed in-house and are self-certified, Putney said, adding that those indicators are then verified by an independent auditor. The eight remaining indicators are rated directly by HUD through information the City must transmit electronically on a regular basis.

The Vacaville Housing Authority has received a perfect score every year since SEMAP was initiated. The City learned of its perfect score in late September.

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