



**RAB Comments and HPHA Responses
Proposed 2020 – 2021 PHA Annual Plan Revisions**

1. **Proposed Revision:** Federal Public Housing Administration – Update policy on the implementation of an external storage policy that adheres to all rules, requirements and laws.

RAB Comment: The RAB members voiced their concerns with regards to which properties would be allowed to have external storage areas. While some properties have ample space, many properties do not. Another concern was what size dimensions could the external storage areas be. The RAB believes that whatever rules are put in place, they must ensure the safety of all residents and maintain the appearance of the storage areas.

HPHA Response: The HPHA acknowledges the RAB comments and agrees that there are pros and cons to implementing a proposed policy like this. The HPHA will continue to analyze and discuss the policy.

2. **Proposed Revision:** Federal Public Housing Administration – Update and strengthen rules and policies related to drug use and serious criminal activities that threaten the health and safety of the public housing projects, including threats to staff, stealing of HPHA funds and destruction of property per Act 206, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2019.

RAB Comment: The RAB members voiced their approval of the new law that it will make public housing residents think twice before breaking the law because it will jeopardize their participation in the program and that this law will go a long way towards maintaining the peaceful enjoyment of our public housing communities.

HPHA Response: The HPHA appreciates the support of the RAB.