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## HOUSING VOUCHERS FUNDED IN OHIO UNDER PENDING PROPOSALS

Due largely to the flaws in the formula for distributing “Section 8” housing voucher funding, the share of vouchers in use in Ohio has fallen over the past few years, from 96 percent in 2004 to a projected 94 percent in 2006. In other words, **1,783 vouchers have already been cut** in Ohio over the past two years.

For 2007, Congress will have to choose among three funding approaches that have been put forward. Each provides the same new funding for the program nationally in 2007, but uses a different method for distributing the money among the 2,400 state and local housing agencies. Here is the impact that each of the three formulas would have on Ohio.

- Under the formula in the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (or SEVRA), a bill passed by the House Financial Services Committee on June 14, 2006, ***all vouchers in use in Ohio in 2006 would be funded***. Moreover, agencies in Ohio would receive enough funding to restore vouchers that have been cut in recent years. Overall, **98 percent of Ohio’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the SEVRA formula.
- The formula in the Senate appropriations bill would also renew funding for all vouchers in use in Ohio in 2006. However, it would not provide agencies in Ohio with enough funding to restore as many of the vouchers that have been cut in recent years as SEVRA would. Overall, **95 percent of Ohio’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the Senate appropriations formula.
- Under the formula in the House appropriations bill, 38 housing agencies in Ohio would be forced to cut assistance to 607 low-income families in 2007. **96 percent of Ohio’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the House appropriations formula.

For a description of the pending proposals for distribution of renewal funding to state and local agencies and an analysis of their national impact, see "Fixing the Housing Voucher Formula: A No-Cost Way to Strengthen the Section 8 Program," <http://www.cbpp.org/11-1-06hou.htm>. The paper's Technical Appendix explains the sources and methods for the data in this table.

## Agency Estimates

Housing Agency	HUD Code	Authorized Vouchers as of Jan. 2006	Vouchers in Use in 2006 (Estimated)	Authorized Vouchers Funded in 2007			Vouchers in Use That Would Be Cut Under House Appropriations Bill
				SEVRA	Senate Appropriations Bill	House Appropriations Bill	
Adams Metro	OH046	288	244	288	249	250	0
Akron Metropolitan HA*	OH007	4,404	4,227	4,404	4,311	4,365	0
Allen MHA	OH044	1,041	1,008	1,008	1,028	1,041	0
Ashtabula MHA	OH029	474	431	431	439	474	0
Athens MHA	OH041	698	698	698	698	698	0
Belmont MHA	OH020	275	275	275	275	275	0
Bowling Green HA	OH085	119	119	119	119	117	2
Brown MHA	OH081	38	35	38	36	34	2
Butler Metropolitan HA	OH015	960	960	960	960	960	0
Cambridge MHA	OH033	695	695	695	695	694	1
Chillicothe MHA	OH024	455	391	455	399	409	0
Cincinnati Metropolitan HA* **	OH004	7,490	7,080	7,080	7,221	7,490	0
Clermont Metropolitan	OH038	891	848	891	865	838	11
Clinton MHA	OH053	293	265	265	270	293	0
Columbiana MHA	OH026	487	470	487	479	451	19
Columbus Metropolitan HA*	OH001	10,343	9,623	10,343	9,814	9,975	0

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Coshocton MHA	OH037	253	217	217	221	238	0
Crawford MHA	OH039	324	324	324	324	310	14
Cuyahoga Metropolitan HA*	OH003	13,853	13,772	13,853	13,853	13,853	0
Darke County MHA	OH045	299	299	299	299	294	5
Dayton Metropolitan HA	OH005	3,504	3,303	3,504	3,369	3,292	11
Delaware MHA**	OH079	441	414	441	423	437	0
Erie MHA	OH028	1,007	998	1,007	1,007	1,005	0
Fairfield MHA	OH070	899	899	899	899	886	13
Fayette MHA	OH056	247	247	247	247	236	11
Gallia MHA	OH047	184	144	144	147	159	0
Geauga MHA	OH042	171	171	171	171	166	5
Greene MHA	OH022	1,390	1,318	1,390	1,344	1,294	24
Hancock MHA	OH082	702	460	460	469	665	0
Harrison MHA	OH067	265	229	265	233	239	0
Henry MHA	OH071	227	227	227	227	222	5
Highland MHA	OH086	100	100	100	100	95	5
Hocking MHA	OH032	306	247	247	251	275	0
Huron MHA	OH030	572	516	572	526	537	0
Ironton MHA	OH019	84	76	84	77	71	5
Jackson County	OH040	208	208	208	208	202	6

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HA							
Jefferson Metropolitan	OH014	818	737	818	751	759	0
HA							
Knox MHA	OH050	652	652	652	652	652	0
Lake MHA	OH025	1,358	1,233	1,358	1,257	1,287	0
Licking Metropolitan	OH043	995	969	995	989	933	37
Logan County MHA	OH072	296	291	296	296	280	12
Lorain Metropolitan	OH012	2,719	2,719	2,719	2,719	2,719	0
HA							
Lucas Metropolitan HA	OH006	3,598	3,180	3,598	3,243	3,256	0
Mansfield MHA	OH016	1,710	1,439	1,710	1,468	1,410	29
Marietta	OH077	356	316	316	322	348	0
Marion MHA	OH076	549	483	549	493	465	18
Medina MHA	OH027	530	513	530	523	489	25
Meigs HA	OH035	125	125	125	125	125	0
Miami MHA	OH062	975	930	975	948	878	52
Middletown Public HA*	OH065	1,662	1,492	1,492	1,522	1,662	0
Monroe MHA	OH058	179	166	179	170	160	6
Morgan MHA	OH066	140	137	140	140	135	3
Morrow MHA	OH083	102	101	102	102	94	7
Noble MHA	OH069	92	92	92	92	92	0

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Parma Public HA	OH073	742	565	742	576	541	24
Perry MHA	OH034	218	187	218	190	180	7
Pickaway MHA	OH059	635	592	635	603	571	21
Pike MHA	OH060	525	486	525	496	466	20
Portage MHA*	oh031	1,598	1,509	1,576	1,576	1,434	75
Portsmouth Metropolitan HA	OH010	616	585	616	597	576	9
Preble County MHA	OH080	52	43	43	44	45	0
Sandusky MHA	OH054	334	211	211	215	257	0
Seneca MHA	OH075	203	198	203	202	182	16
Shelby MHA	OH061	219	219	219	219	210	9
Springfield MHA	OH021	1,299	1,159	1,299	1,182	1,123	37
Stark Metropolitan	OH018	1,502	1,470	1,502	1,500	1,452	19
Trumbull Metropolitan HA	OH008	916	805	805	821	916	0
Tuscarawas MHA	OH063	574	574	574	574	541	33
Vinton MHA	OH078	196	182	196	186	174	8
Warren MHA	OH049	448	448	448	448	448	0
Wayne MHA	OH036	923	794	794	810	923	0
Williams MHA	OH074	161	161	161	161	158	3
Youngstown	OH002	2,213	1,900	1,900	1,938	2,137	0

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Metro							
Zanesville	OH009	909	890	909	908	909	0
Metropolitan HA							
<b>Total</b>		<b>85,126</b>	<b>80,092</b>	<b>83,318</b>	<b>81,311</b>	<b>81,825</b>	<b>607</b>

\*Agency received new "tenant protection" vouchers from HUD in 2005 to replace demolished public housing units or privately-owned units that no longer receive project-based federal housing assistance. Incomplete information was available to estimate the additional funding due these agencies in 2007 to renew these vouchers under each of the approaches. As a result, estimates for these agencies may be too low, and under the House approach may be too low or too high.

\*\*Agency took over administration of additional vouchers from another agency in 2005 or early 2006. Our estimates may not fully account for the effect of the consolidation on the agency's likely funding in 2007.