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WINNERS AND LOSERS UNDER ADMINISTRATION'S 2007 HOUSING VOUCHER FUNDING PLAN

Pennsylvania

The table below compares estimates of the number of vouchers that would be funded in 2007 under the Administration's budget proposal with the number funded in 2006 and the number in use in 2005. Under the Administration's plan:

- An estimated **69 housing agencies in Pennsylvania** would be forced to cut assistance to **720 low-income** families in 2007, compared to the number they are able to help in 2006.

When the number of vouchers the Administration is proposing to fund in 2007 is compared to the total number Congress has authorized agencies to administer (rather than the number funded in 2006), the shortfalls faced by some agencies are even deeper:

- At **52 Pennsylvania housing agencies, 5 percent or more of the vouchers** Congress authorized the agency to issue to needy families **would be left unused in 2007 because of inadequate funding**. Statewide, the number of vouchers funded would be 6 percent below the number agencies are authorized to issue.

Because the Administration has proposed a flawed and inequitable formula for distributing voucher funds in 2007, these funding shortfalls would occur at the same time that other agencies would receive more funding than they need to cover vouchers that are funded in 2006. Indeed, if it were distributed more efficiently, the total amount of funding the Administration requested to renew housing vouchers in 2007 likely would be adequate to cover the vouchers that were funded in 2006 at every agency — averting all of the cuts below 2006 levels listed in this table. For further information on the potential cuts and other issues raised by the Administration's budget proposal, see <http://www.cbpp.org/3-13-06hous.htm>.

Housing Agency	Total Authorized Vouchers ¹	Actual 2006 Appropriation		2007 Administration Budget Request		
		Potential Increase (or Loss) in Vouchers from 2005 Level ²	Total Vouchers Funded ³	Change in Vouchers Funded from 2006 Level	Total Vouchers Funded ⁴	Percent of Total Authorized Vouchers Funded ⁵
Adams County HA	586	25	549	-8	541	92%
Allegheny County HA	5,278	63	4,984	-79	4,905	93%
Allentown HA	1,289	291	1,229	-26	1,203	93%
Altoona HA	820	-23	747	-10	737	90%
Armstrong County HA	232	0	232	43	275	119%

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Beaver County HA	639	6	597	-8	589	92%
Bedford County HA	307	-26	264	-4	260	85%
Berks County HA	682	43	474	-7	467	68%
Bethlehem HA	497	-12	472	-7	465	94%
Blair County HA	420	4	399	-6	393	94%
Bradford	112	2	112	2	114	102%
Bradford County HA	264	-6	250	-3	247	94%
Bucks County	3,399	-183	2,957	-41	2,916	86%
Butler County HA	1,291	-70	1,131	-16	1,115	86%
Carbon County HA	432	3	432	-1	431	100%
Carbondale HA	171	-3	161	-2	159	93%
Centre County HA	624	-14	602	-8	594	95%
Chester County HA	1,521	-120	1,347	-18	1,329	87%
Chester HA	1,564	193	1,564	234	1,798	115%
Clarion County HA	343	-2	332	-5	327	95%
Clearfield County HA	122	4	122	-1	121	99%
Columbia County HA	413	9	407	-5	402	97%
Corry HA	159	32	158	-2	156	98%
Cumberland County HA	1,331	10	1,258	-17	1,241	93%
Dauphin County HA	1,040	68	1,033	-15	1,018	98%
Delaware County HA	2,753	186	2,753	5	2,758	100%
Dubois HA	192	3	192	13	205	107%
Easton County HA	310	0	295	-4	291	94%
Elk County HA	221	-4	187	-3	184	83%
Erie City HA	1,044	-55	916	-12	904	87%
Erie County HA	788	7	651	-9	642	81%
Fayette County HA	1,082	111	1,036	-22	1,014	94%
Franklin City HA	128	-10	111	-1	110	86%
Franklin County HA	294	0	294	1	295	100%
Fulton County HA	187	10	187	7	194	104%
Greene County HA	30	-1	27	0	27	90%
HA of city of Pittsburgh	6,799	-341	5,664	-80	5,584	82%
Harrisburg HA	944	16	706	-10	696	74%
Hazleton HA	347	-16	303	-4	299	86%
Huntingdon County HA	120	3	120	1	121	101%
Indiana County HA	520	-25	494	-6	488	94%
Jefferson County HA	263	10	263	7	270	103%
Johnstown HA	565	3	527	-7	520	92%

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Lackawanna County HA	795	23	766	-15	751	94%
Lancaster City HA	888	16	876	-13	863	97%
Lancaster County HA	861	-17	818	-11	807	94%
Larewnce County	367	-11	322	-4	318	87%
Lebanon County HA	625	75	585	-8	577	92%
Lehigh County HA	1,652	71	1,652	-3	1,649	100%
Luzerne County HA	1,115	31	1,109	-15	1,094	98%
Lycoming County HA	280	-22	248	-3	245	88%
McKean County	356	19	335	-4	331	93%
McKeesport HA	542	15	522	-7	515	95%
Meadville HA	155	2	145	-2	143	92%
Mercer County HA	332	13	322	-5	317	95%
Mifflin County	220	1	220	4	224	102%
Monroe County HA	475	-10	457	-7	450	95%
Montgomery County	2,772	91	2,701	-37	2,664	96%
Montour County HA	156	16	156	0	156	100%
Nanticoke HA	51	-2	47	0	47	92%
Northampton County HA	853	-17	628	-9	619	73%
Northumberland County HA	464	-7	415	-6	409	88%
Oil City HA	167	-9	136	-2	134	80%
Philadelphia HA	17,979	2,250	17,979	555	18,534	103%
Pittston HA	147	5	147	-1	146	99%
Potter County HA	295	-3	287	-4	283	96%
Pottsville HA	371	14	371	-3	368	99%
Reading HA	604	20	593	-9	584	97%
Schuykill County	631	9	624	-9	615	97%
Scranton HA	941	9	860	-12	848	90%
Shamokin HA	221	20	221	0	221	100%
Snyder County HA	193	21	193	1	194	101%
Somerset County HA	91	3	91	10	101	111%
Sullivan County HA	36	-2	30	0	30	83%
Sunbury Housing	265	33	251	-5	246	93%
Susquehanna County HA	253	12	248	-3	245	97%
Tioga County HA	213	12	213	-2	211	99%
Titusville HA	126	3	120	-2	118	94%
Union County HA	499	6	491	-7	484	97%
Venango County HA	394	61	379	-5	374	95%
Warren County HA	65	9	65	-1	64	98%

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Washington County HA	936	-1	831	-11	820	88%
Wayne County HA	675	-22	621	-9	612	91%
Westmoreland County HA	1,754	87	1,754	5	1,759	100%
Wilkes-Barre HA	674	-30	559	-8	551	82%
Williamsport HA	395	9	386	-6	380	96%
Wyoming County HA	397	-57	296	-4	292	74%
York	1,452	107	1,448	-21	1,427	98%
Pennsylvania	82,856	3,044	78,057	168	78,225	94%⁶

¹ Figures for total authorized vouchers are based on HUD data as of January 2006.

² Compares number of authorized vouchers funded in 2006 (3rd data column) with number of vouchers actually used in January – September 2005, based on agency data submitted to HUD. For some agencies, a portion of the increase in vouchers that can be used in 2006 compared with vouchers leased in 2005 is due to the award of new vouchers during 2005 to replace other federal housing subsidies. These new vouchers were in use in part but not all of 2005.

³ Based on CBPP estimates of funding available to each agency. Includes only vouchers funded up to each agency's authorized level, as of January 2006. Assumes each agency's average voucher cost remains level in the last three months of 2005 and increases at the applicable HUD inflation factor beginning January 1, 2006. Figures for some agencies include tenant protection vouchers awarded in 2005 and before; because information released by HUD on tenant protection vouchers is incomplete, the actual number of such vouchers is somewhat uncertain.

⁴ Based on CBPP estimates of funding each agency would receive under the proposed formula and of likely per unit costs in 2007. Does not include renewal of tenant protection vouchers that will be awarded in 2006, as these approximately 26,000 vouchers cannot be allocated to the agency level in advance of award. Our estimates assume that these additional vouchers will be renewed, subject to the same proration as other renewal funding.

⁵ Under HUD's SEMAP performance measurement system, agencies that use fewer than 95 percent of their authorized vouchers are considered deficient performers. These figures compare the funding available in 2007 under the President's request to renew vouchers that were authorized as of January 2006 (listed in the first data column). Under the Administration's proposal and our estimates, vouchers awarded subsequent to January 2006 also would receive renewal funding through calendar year 2007, subject to the same proration as other renewal funding.

⁶ The statewide percentage of authorized vouchers funded compares the total number of vouchers renewed in 2007 to the total number authorized in 2006. If some agencies in the state are funded for more than 100 percent of their authorized vouchers, the statewide percentage understates the share of authorized vouchers left unfunded in particular communities.