

TO: State Directors
Rural Development

ATTN: Multi-Family Housing Program Directors/Managers

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SUBJECT: Revitalizing the Multi-Family Housing (MFH) Portfolio
Using Rental Assistance Transferred from Prepaid MFH Projects

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

This Administrative Notice (AN) provides guidance on using the Agency's regulatory authorities to transfer Rental Assistance (RA) from projects that have gone through the prepayment process of RD Instruction 1965-E to projects that need to be revitalized and preserved. Recent funding shortages require the shift of funding decisions to the National Office to assure that RA is directed to projects meeting program-wide criteria.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

There is no current AN providing guidance on this issue.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

In accordance with the authority of RD Instruction 1930-C, Exhibit E, XV 2 b, the National Office will transfer any RA made available from a prepayment conducted in accordance with RD Instruction 1965-E. After the date of this AN, State Directors will no longer transfer these RA units either before or after prepayment. Transfers will be made to projects being revitalized through authority of either RD Instructions 1965-E or 1965-B. The first priority will be to fund RA incentives. The Office of Rental Housing Preservation (ORHP) will coordinate transfer processing. Please contact Melinda Price at 202-690-0669 or melinda.price@usda.gov with questions.

EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 2005

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:
Preceding RD
Instruction 1930-C