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OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

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Tony Perez
Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee
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Dear Director Perez:

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Ben Carson, congratulations on your Family Self-Sufficiency grant award to the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee in the amount of \$138759. HUD awarded \$74 million to hundreds of public housing authorities across the country to continue helping public housing residents participating in the *Housing Choice Voucher Program* and/or reside in public housing to increase their earned income and reduce their dependency on public assistance and rental subsidies.

Nearly 526,000 was awarded to 8 public housing authorities across the State of Wisconsin. This funding will empower individuals and their families to get them on a path towards self-sufficiency and prosperity to realize their full potential.

These grants renew HUD's support of 689 public housing authorities across the country through the Department's [Family Self-Sufficiency \(FSS\) program](#).

“One of the most important things we can do as public servants is to help HUD-assisted families achieve their dreams.

Working with our local partners, HUD is connecting families to educational opportunities, job training, childcare and other resources that allow them to get higher paying jobs and ultimately, become self-sufficient.

- HUD Secretary Ben Carson”



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The average household income of FSS participants nearly tripled during their time in the program, from \$10,000 at the time of entry to more than \$27,000 upon program completion.

If you have any follow-up questions please reach out to Shirley Wong, Wisconsin PIH Director at (414) 935-6729 or via email at Shirley.Wong@hud.gov.

We look forward to working collaboratively with you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joseph P. Galvan", is positioned above the printed name.

Joseph P. Galvan
HUD Midwest Regional Administrator