WHEREAS, On August 31, 2011, The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) and the City of New Orleans were awarded a $30.5 million dollar Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Implementation Grant, comprised of FY 2010 and FY 2011 funds, by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, Through a federal Interagency Agreement (IAA) between HUD and the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) executed on September 23, 2011, Public Safety Enhancement (PSE) funding was awarded to four of the five existing HUD FY 2010/2011 CNI Implementation grantees as a public safety supplement to their neighborhood revitalization strategies; and

WHEREAS, On February 11, 2013 HUD awarded HANO and the City a PSE Grant in the amount of $480,000 to support technical assistance and the implementation of evidence-based projects designed to effectively respond to public safety concerns associated with Part I violent crimes, gang activity, and/or illegal drug activity; and

WHEREAS, HANO submitted to HUD the PSE Technical Assistance Plan/budget on June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Technical Assistance Plan included the development of an integrated data software system for supportive service partners under the Mayor’s NOLA for Life program; and

WHEREAS, On July 11, 2014, HUD approved the Technical Assistance Plan and budget submittal, which provides for the transfer of $100,000 to the supportive services data sharing system for the purpose of an integrated data sharing system between the NOLA for Life and CNI supportive service partners.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans authorizes the Executive Director to execute any and all documents related to the transfer of PSE grant funds in the amount of $100,000 to the City’s NOLA for Life program for the supportive services data sharing system.

Executed this 16th day of December, 2014

APPROVAL:

DWAYNE G. BERNAL
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 16, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: Dwayne G. Bernal
    Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Through: Gregg Fortner
        Executive Director

From: Aprill Kennedy
      Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI) Program Manager

Re: Agreement with the City of New Orleans for the transfer of Public Safety
    and Enhancement Funds (PSE)

On August 31, 2011, The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) and co-grantee, the City of New Orleans were awarded a $30.5 million dollar Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Implementation Grant, comprised of FY 2010 and FY 2011 funds, by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Through a federal Interagency Agreement (IAA) between HUD and the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) executed on September 23, 2011, DOJ made $2 million available to support an interagency Choice Neighborhoods/Public Safety collaborative. This Public Safety Enhancement (PSE) funding was awarded to four of the five existing CNI Implementation Grantees as a public safety supplement to their neighborhood revitalization strategies. On February 11, 2013 HUD awarded HANO and the City of New Orleans a PSE Grant in the amount of $480,000 to support technical assistance and the implementation of evidence-based projects designed to effectively respond to public safety concerns associated with Part I violent crimes, gang activity, and/or illegal drug activity. As required by the Public Safety Enhancement Addendum, HANO submitted the PSE Technical Assistance Plan and related budget on June 30, 2014.

The Technical Assistance Plan includes the development of an integrated data software system for supportive service partners under the Mayor’s NOLA for Life program. There are approximately twenty-five (25) supportive service agencies linked in as a part of the NOLA for Life service network and over half of these agencies are also CNI partners. This funding will support PSE plans that incorporate local program and policy decisions to address and reduce persistent crime, and that address gaps in service delivery.

On July 11, 2014, HUD approved the Technical Assistance Plan and budget submittal, which provides for the transfer of $100,000 to the supportive services data sharing system through the NOLA for Life program.
CERTIFICATIONS

Finance
The Finance Department has certified that the PSE funds are available in LOCCS for the proposed activity.

Authorization is hereby requested for the Executive Director to execute any and all documents related to the transfer of PSE grant funds in the amount of $100,000 to the City of New Orleans for the supportive services data sharing system.