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HUD Awards HANO \$6 Million for Critical Investments in Public Housing

Announced by HUD Secretary Marcia Fudge in meeting with HANO Executive Director Evette Hester

New Orleans (February 23, 2023) – The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) learned Friday last week that it is the proud recipient of \$6 million in funding through HUD's Capital Fund Program. This news was shared with HANO's Executive Director Evette Hester during an in-person meeting held with HUD secretary Marcia Fudge during her visit to New Orleans.

HANO Executive Director Evette Hester along with other city, state and federal officials met with HUD Secretary Marcia Fudge at the Rebuilding Together New Orleans site to discuss affordable housing matters in the Crescent City. At the conclusion of the meeting, Secretary Fudge shared the happy news with the group on the grant funding of \$6 million going to HANO.

"I was very happy for the opportunity to sit down with Madam Secretary Fudge and share the highlights and challenges we have had in creating secure, decent, affordable housing in New Orleans," stated HANO Executive Director Evette Hester. She continued, "the partnership between HUD and HANO has existed for decades and it continues to be an incredibly important partnership for our city so that HANO may continue its mission of creating access to affordable housing for the people we serve."

HANO executives along with HANO Board of Commissioner's President Carol Johnson were in attendance at the gathering with HUD officials during the public announcement of the \$6 million awarded to HANO. This \$6 million dollar funding is a critical investment by HUD addressing renovations and modernization for HANO developments housing families, individuals and seniors.

About the Housing Authority of New Orleans

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is focused on providing affordable housing opportunities for low-income residents of the city of New Orleans while laying the foundation for economic sustainability. HANO serves approximately 22,000 low-income families through a combination of their Housing Choice Voucher Program and public housing units. HANO also serves public housing needs for the elderly and disabled.

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