

RELOCATION POLICY

The Town of Mansfield shall minimize the displacement of persons as a result of activities assisted with funds provided directly or indirectly by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). However, in the event a project requiring displacement is undertaken, the Town will comply with its Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan and this Relocation Policy.

The Town shall provide relocation assistance to each low- or moderate-income household that is **permanently displaced** by demolition or the conversion of their dwelling unit to another use as a direct result of an activity assisted under through HUD Programs. Relocation assistance shall comply with the implementing regulations of 49 CFR Part 24 (Uniform Relocation Act (URA)) or Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, and Section 570.606, whichever is most beneficial to the tenant. The low- or moderate-income household shall receive relocation assistance pursuant to 24 CFR Part 42 (HUD's regulations implementing the URA) to include advisory services, moving and related expenses, and replacement housing assistance.

If a low- or moderate-income household is required to **temporarily relocate** from their dwelling unit as a direct result of a HUD-assisted activity (e.g. housing rehabilitation/lead paint hazard control), the Town of Mansfield may provide relocation assistance. When necessary, temporary relocation assistance shall be provided as follows:

Owner-occupant

Relocation assistance is not required for homeowners by law. Therefore, the Town will strongly advocate for homeowners to temporarily relocate with family or friends during the rehabilitation process. If the homeowner is low- or moderate-income and is unable to relocate with family, the Town may provide a cash stipend in lieu of relocation expenses to offset relocation expenses. The stipend amount will be based on household size, period (in days) of relocation and work scope (relating to moving personal items).

The Town may make an exception for elderly and/or very low-income homeowners. In these cases, the Town may provide relocation services in excess of a cash stipend to include moving and related expenses and replacement housing assistance.

Tenant households

Tenant household will receive relocation benefits as detailed in the Uniform Relocation Act (49 CFR Part 24).



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