Comments

The Puerto Rico Public Housing Administration's (PRPHA) Annual Plan and Five-Year Plan represent the work carried out with Resident Councils, staff, and management agents, among other resources. The PRPHA provides public housing residents, Section 8 clients, and the public with the opportunity to participate in the planning and development of this plan. This way, residents can learn about the process and help improve situations occurring in their communities.

As of February 22, 2025, the PRPHA identified specific locations where the Agency's draft Annual Plan and Five-Year Plan, elements of that plan, and all relevant information were available for public review, and where proposed agency plans were available for inspection by the public. In accordance with 24 CFR 903.13 and 24 CFR 903.17, we received and evaluated comments and recommendations. Public hearings were held on the following dates: April 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2025, for a total of four public hearings.

In general, the comments received from residents were addressed, and some situations are resolved with extraordinary maintenance. If the PRPHA approved these requests, a plan was developed to distribute funding for projects in need of improvement. Appendix 4 contains the project distribution, and the amount of funding allocated for extraordinary maintenance.

For the Security area, the development of strategies to reduce criminal activity in Public Housing projects was requested. The PRPHA includes security measures to reduce the incidence of crime and maintain public safety in public housing projects.

We also received comments from residents regarding the need to increase recreational activities for children, youth, and seniors. We also received comments regarding activities for social and economic development, increased educational programs, prevention, and job training. It should be noted that the PRPHA included information on Community Services, Self-Sufficiency, Section 3, among other services offered to public housing residents.

In addition, several public housing projects requested the installation of electronic libraries for the benefit of their children and improved academic progress.

We must emphasize that we work in collaboration with government agencies, private companies, and nonprofit organizations to provide the necessary services to our public housing residents and contribute to their quality of life.