



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING &
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December 16, 2024

The Honorable Michael J. Rodrigues
Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Massachusetts State House
Room 212
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

The Honorable Aaron Michlewitz
Chair, House Committee on Ways and Means
Massachusetts State House
Room 243
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Senator Rodrigues and Representative Michlewitz:

In accordance with FY2025 Final Budget Line Item 7004-9030, we are pleased to submit the following report.

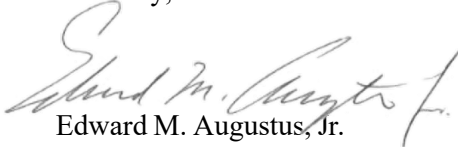
In Fiscal Year 2024, the AHVP program served more than 768 non-elderly, disabled households at an average subsidy cost of \$1,325 per voucher per month. FY2024 expenditures were \$13,692,501. As of October 2024, there were 804 households leased at an average subsidy cost of \$1,507 per voucher per month. FY2025 expenditures through October 2024 were \$5,444,375.

There are currently 346 mobile vouchers outstanding, meaning 346 vouchers allocated to AHVP but not currently leased. Many of these vouchers are issued and participants are actively searching for units. EOHLC has partnered with MassHealth's Money Follows the Person program and set aside 100 mobile AHVP vouchers. To date, 64 applications have been submitted, 34 households are in housing search, and 20 households have leased units. Additionally, beginning in FY2024, EOHLC can project-base AHVP vouchers. EOHLC awarded the first AHVP project-based vouchers in October 2024, and EOHLC's Division of Housing Development can award up to 50 AHVP project-based vouchers per fiscal year, subject to appropriation. It can take two to three years from award date for project-based vouchers to begin leasing. Project-based vouchers are not included in the number of outstanding vouchers.

The budget language requires information on the number and types of units leased. Because of AHVP's connection to chapter 667 state-aided public housing for low-income elderly adults, many households in AHVP (87%) are single adult households. A majority of AHVP units (68%) are one bedroom or smaller size units.

Should you have any questions regarding this data, please do not hesitate to contact Ben Stone, Undersecretary, Division of Public Housing & Rental Assistance at 617-573-1176 or ben.stone@mass.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edward M. Augustus, Jr.", written in dark ink.

Edward M. Augustus, Jr.
Secretary, Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities