



# TACOMA HOUSING AUTHORITY

## RESOLUTION 2007-02-28 (3)

DATE: February 28, 2007  
TO: Board of Commissioners  
FROM: Michael Mirra, Executive Director  
RE: Approving Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between THA and PCHA

### **Background**

THA is collaborating with Helping Hands House (HHH) on a state funded grant program to provide rental assistance and services to up to 45 homeless families with school age children in the Tacoma and Sumner School Districts. HHH is the grantee. THA will be handling the rental assistance portion of this program using money that the grant provides for that purpose.

Serving families in the Sumner School District will require THA to conduct business outside the City of Tacoma. This is permissible under state law under a number of circumstances, including (i) with the permission of the governing council of the jurisdiction where we would provide the service; or (ii) the permission of the Pierce County Housing Authority (PCHA).

I have negotiated the attached Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between THA and PCHA to allow for THA to conduct this business in Pierce County as necessary for the HHH program.

PCAHA and THA may later expand this agreement for other activities that both PCHA and THA may wish to do within each others jurisdiction. In particular, we are in discussions on how to better collaborate in the management of our respective Housing Choice Voucher programs.

### **Recommendation**

Authorize the Executive Director to sign the attached Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with PCHA.



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## APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE PIERCE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

**Whereas**, THA is participating with Helping Hands House (HHH) in the administration of its state funded program to provide rental assistance and services to homeless families with school age children in the Tacoma and Sumner School districts.

**Whereas**, THA will be providing the rental assistance program of this program using money that the state grant provides for the purpose;

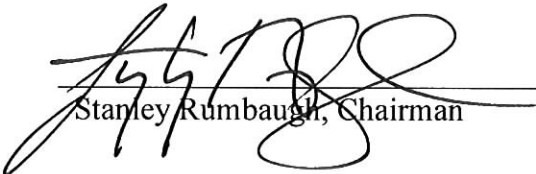
**Whereas**, THA may conduct this activity outside the City of Tacoma with the permission of either the governing council of the City of Sumner, Pierce County or the Pierce County Housing Authority (PCHA);

**Whereas**, PCHA, through its executive director, has tentatively agreed upon the attached Interlocal Cooperation Agreement conferring this permission;

***Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma, Washington,***

1. The Executive Director has the authority to execute the attached Interlocal Cooperation Agreement or one substantially like it.

Approved: February 28, 2007

  
Stanley Rumbaugh, Chairman

**INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT**  
**between the**

**TACOMA HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**and the**  
**PIERCE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF TACOMA (THA) and the PIERCE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (PCHA) agree as follows:

**1. RECITALS**

- 1.1 Pursuant to Chapter 39.34 RCW, any two public agencies may enter into agreements with one another for joint or cooperative action to provide services and facilities in a manner that will accord best with geographic, economic, population and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities.
- 1.2 THA and PCHA are public housing authorities operating pursuant to Chapter 35.82 RCW.
- 1.3 RCW 35.82.100 provides that “Any two or more authorities may join or cooperate with one another in the exercise of any or all of the powers conferred hereby for the purpose of financing, planning, undertaking, constructing or operating a housing project or projects located within the area of operation of any one or more of said authorities.”
- 1.4 THA and PCHA enter this agreement to promote better service to their communities and more efficient operations.
- 1.5 THA and PCHA partner with other agencies and non-profit service providers that in turn serve areas or populations that cross jurisdictional lines between THA and PCHA.

**2. AGREEMENT**

- 2.1 The recitals are part of this agreement.
- 2.2 THA may conduct its business within areas of Pierce County outside of the City of Tacoma for the purpose of implementing the Front Door Project that it would undertake with Helping Hands House and others should they receive funds for the purpose from the Homeless Grant Assistance Program.

**3. Miscellaneous**

- 3.1 Nothing in this agreement limits the administration of vouchers that THA or PCHA conducts in the other's jurisdiction pursuant to the normal rules of the Housing Choice Voucher Program.
- 3.2 This Agreement does not create any separate legal or administrative agency.
- 3.3 Either party may terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice to the other. This agreement shall be effective until it is so terminated.
- 3.4 Any modification or termination of this agreement shall not diminish the authority of either party to continue program activities previously begun or undertaken pursuant to this agreement.
- 3.5 This agreement shall be filed with the Auditor Office's for Pierce County consistent with Chapter 39.34 RCW.
- 3.6 This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed under the laws of the State of Washington.

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma on the 28 day of February, 2007.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Director

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Pierce County Housing Authority on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Director