REPORT ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING PURSUANT TO 28 O.S. SECTION 3122

The Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) respectfully submits this Report of its recently entered Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Homeless Alliance in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) offers the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program under 24 CFR part 578 and is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit organizations, state governments, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes, tribally designated housing entities, as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103), and public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion, to quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

This partnership extends various community resources and services along with housing assistance to qualifying individuals and families in a unified and collaborative approach with the goal of reducing homelessness.

- 1. The Effective Date of the Memorandum of Understanding is November 12, 2021.
- 2. The MOU's duration is until December 31, 2024, and may be extended by mutual written agreement of the parties, and making publication notice as required by 74 O.S. § 3122.
- 3. The parties subject to the MOU are the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) and the Homeless Alliance. Though not a party to this MOU, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will provide funding for various related resources to facilitate the services being offered through this MOU.
- 4. The purposes of the MOU are:
 - a. to provide a variety of community resources and services along with housing assistance to reduce homelessness among eligible individuals and families by increasing housing opportunities through this MOU.
- 5. Constitutional or Statutory Provisions allowing these subjects to be addressed
 - a. Oklahoma Constitution Article 25 Sections 1 and 6
 - b. Oklahoma Homeless Prevention Act 74 O.S. §§ 2900-2900.2
 - c. American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) § 3202 Emergency Housing Vouchers, The Secretary shall provide emergency rental assistance vouchers under subsection (a), which shall be tenant-based rental assistance under section 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)).

d. Title 60, O.S. § 176(A)(1) and other public trust statutes and OHFA's trust indenture executed on May 1, 1975. *See* OHFA Third Amended Trust Indenture (Sept. 24, 2002)