

## Housing Authority ranks with nation's best

The Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) scores released on December 5, 2013 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), places Church Point Housing Authority with elite company. The Church Point Housing Authority ranked among the best of the nation's more than 3,000 housing authorities with a PHAS score of 96 out of a possible 100, including a perfect score for financial management.

A breakdown of the assessment shows that CPHA scored 36 out of 40 for the physical conditions of their properties and perfect scores in financial (25 points), operational management (25 points), and capital fund (10 points). Charles Labbe, CPHA Executive Director, stated: "We are pleased with this outcome which resulted from the combined efforts of our team. By working closely with the CPHA Board of Commissions and staff, we were able to improve our performance in all scoring categories. We are proud of this achievement and are committed to maintaining this high standard for our residents."

HUD also recognized the CPHA as a high performer in the management of their 123 federally funded public housing units. The "High Performer" designation is HUD's highest rating, and the designation means that CPHA is eligible to apply for certain grants and receive a higher allocation of capital funds.

In related news, an aggressive communications effort led by the CPHA Board of Commissioners, Administrative Staff, and Outreach Committee has produced a series of new resources for the Church Point Housing Authority, including the launch of a state-of-the-art website, the first edition of a housing community newsletter, and an informational video.

For more information on the Church Point Housing Authority, please visit us online at [www.cphousing.org](http://www.cphousing.org).

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