

HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) LAWS IMPACTING VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE

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The Department of Housing and Urban Development laws—to whom do they apply?

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is a federal agency which administers aid to local housing agencies that manage the housing for low-income residents at affordable rental rates. For more general information about HUD, visit the agency's [website](#).

The Department of Housing and Urban Development and Victims of Domestic Abuse

Per the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization of 2013, victims of domestic abuse are afforded certain rights and freedoms from discrimination in HUD-funded housing. To access an overview of VAWA requirements for HUD-funded housing, click [here](#)

Forms and Information for Victims of Domestic Abuse

HUD's website has an inventory of forms specific to victims of domestic abuse. The forms are available toward the end of [this page](#).

Form 5380 is a notice of occupancy rights under VAWA.

Form 5382 is an optional, official form for providing documentation of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to public housing providers

Form 5381 is a Model Emergency Transfer Plan for Victims of Domestic abuse, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking. This plan is in accordance with a VAWA provision which requires public housing providers to transfer a victim of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to another unit in the interest of safety.

Form 5383 is a request form which a victim of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking can fill out and give to their public housing provider to request an emergency transfer, as outlined in Form 5381.

All of the above-mentioned forms are available in Arabic, Armenian, Cambodian, Creole, Hmong, Japanese, Korean, Lao, Mandarin, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Thai, and Vietnamese.