

Frequently Asked Questions – HUD-52723

Q1. Our residents participate in a HUD-approved Family Self-sufficiency (FSS) Program under 24 CFR 984. Is the escrow account portion of the family rent included in the rental income amount used to calculate operating subsidy eligibility?

A1. For operating subsidy eligibility purposes, rental income excludes the amount of the rent charge that is credited to the FSS escrow account. If the formula income pre-populated by HUD includes the FSS escrow portion, PHAs can change the pre-populated formula income and exclude the escrow portion. In this case, PHAs must include a comment on their HUD-52723 submission.

Q2. Do Family Self-sufficiency (FSS) escrow forfeitures have to be reported on the HUD-52723?

A2. No. FSS escrow forfeitures were previously counted as other income under the Operating Fund regulations; however, the Operating Fund regulations in effect for Calendar Years 2007 and after do not include an “other income” category. (Note that the use of any such forfeitures is restricted to eligible operating subsidy uses.)

Q3. On form HUD-52723, can a unit that is occupied by a police officer (Section 2, Line 02) also qualify as a “special use” unit on Line 06a?

A3. Yes, but only if the PHA requests and receives approval from the appropriate HUD Field Office. Approval requires submission and acceptance of documentation that the unit also meets all the criteria outlined in Section 4.5.4.a. of Notice PIH 2011-7 for Special Use – Anti Drug/Crime units. In this instance, the PHA would need to demonstrate, at minimum, that the Police Officer patrols the PHA grounds as part of his/her regular responsibilities.