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SACRAMENTO HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND HOUSING AUTHORITY RECEIVE PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AND HIGH PERFORMER AWARD FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Sacramento, CA – The Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) and the Housing Authority Public Housing Program have earned the 2018 Public Housing Program of the Year Award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Region IX. The City Housing Authority also received a 2018 Public Housing Program High Performer award, a rating it has received each year since 2013. The announcement was made January 28 at the annual conference of the NorCal-Nevada National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials.

"This award is a reflection of our hard work and commitment to a high standard of performance in how we manage the City and County's public housing program," said SHRA Executive Director La Shelle Dozier. "I'm very proud of the SHRA team because many of our units were built in the 40s and 50s and it's extremely important that we keep them in good livable condition. Although it can be a challenge for our staff, they continually go the extra mile every day and do an exceptional job for housing residents and the community which are our main priority."

The Public Housing Program of the Year award is based on efficient utilization in turning over units for occupancy once they have been vacated. The High Performer award measures four indicators, Physical, Financial, Management, and Capital Fund. The Physical indicator measures standards such as building interiors, exteriors and systems, occupied residential units, common areas, and health and safety concerns. The Financial indicator assesses ability to make timely payments, efficiency in operating on net unrestricted assets without relying on additional funds, and long term debt obligations. The Management indicator measures occupancy rate, tenant accounts receivable, and accounts payable. The Capital Fund indicator assesses timeliness of fund obligation and occupancy rate.

Sacramento's Housing Authority is the 5th largest in the state and 20th largest among 3,400 housing authorities in the nation. The Housing Authority owns and/or manages over 3,200 affordable housing units.

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SHRA (www.shra.org) is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Sacramento to represent both jurisdictions for affordable housing and community redevelopment needs. SHRA has a FY 2018 budget of \$190.7 million and 230 employees. The Agency owns and manages approximately 2,700 units of affordable housing and is one of the largest landlords in Sacramento. SHRA also administers approximately 12,600 rent assistance vouchers per month.