

Moving or Moving Up? & Are We Home Yet?

A Discussion of the Housing Choice Voucher Program in Illinois
and A Call to Action to Promote Opportunity

April 7, 2011
55 E. Jackson Chicago, IL
10th Floor Conference Room
9:30 a.m. - Noon

Agenda

- I. Registration
- II. Welcome & Introductions
- III. Release of *Moving or Moving Up? Understanding Residential Mobility for Housing Choice Voucher Families in Illinois*, an IHARP report by Housing Action Illinois, the Voorhees Center and the Shriver Center
- IV. Panel Discussion of Current Landscape for the HCV Program, Portability, and Report Recommendations
 - The portability rights of voucher holders and the duty to affirmatively further fair housing
 - Maury McGough, U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development
 - Mobility counseling successes and challenges
 - Chris Klepper, Housing Choice Partners
 - The link between affordable housing and fair housing
 - Gail Schechter, Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs
 - Practical barriers to portability and accessing housing
 - Kim Borowicz, Access Living
 - Practical solutions to promote portability and opportunity moves
 - Ed Solan, Oak Park Public Housing Authority
 - Robin Snyderman, Metropolitan Planning Council
- V. Open Discussion
- VI. Introduction of *Expanding Choice & Opportunity Initiative*
- VII. Close & Thank You

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