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## **Oakland Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners Adopts Annual Plan**

### ***Making Transitions Work Explores Innovative Housing Programs, Services for Low-Income Oakland Residents***

OAKLAND, Calif., May 7, 2007 – The Board of Commissioners of the Oakland Housing Authority unanimously adopted the FY 2008 Making Transitions Work Annual Plan during the April 23 regular board meeting. The Oakland Housing Authority (OHA) is one of 24 housing authorities throughout the country participating in the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program titled Moving to Work. This program allows OHA to explore innovative methods to deliver housing and supportive services to low-income Oakland families. OHA has been a participant since 2004, and named its distinctive program “Making Transitions Work” (MTW).

“One of the program requirements is to submit an annual plan to HUD,” said Jon Gresley, executive director for the Oakland Housing Authority. “The plan provides information to HUD, OHA residents and the public on our existing programs, and indicates any policy changes likely to occur during our fiscal year.”

The Board of Commissioners reviewed drafts of the MTW plan during the March 28 meeting, and again during an April 11 workshop. A draft of the plan was also presented to the Resident Advisory Board (RAB), and a public hearing was held on March 28.

To read the entire FY 2008 Making Transitions Work Annual Plan, visit [www.oakha.org](http://www.oakha.org).

The final plan was submitted to HUD on May 1.

The Oakland Housing Authority (OHA) is the City of Oakland's state-chartered and federally funded agency to promote the availability of quality housing for low-income persons. OHA works to promote the civic involvement and economic self-sufficiency of its residents and to further the expansion of affordable housing within Oakland. The Authority is currently helping to house 14,000 of the city's lowest income families. ([www.oakha.org](http://www.oakha.org))

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