

To HCV Property Owners:

On January 1, 2020 recreational marijuana became legal in Illinois and Chicago.

The Chicago Housing Authority, Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot and the City of Chicago are working together to ensure a safe, responsible, fair and equitable implementation of the law and how the new law relates to federal laws governing the use of marijuana in public housing.

CHA wants to make sure that HCV participants remain in compliance with their lease. CHA's goal has been and continues to be housing stability.

It is important that as a property owner, you understand that CHA is seeking to maintain a balanced and reasonable interpretation of the new marijuana law and address matters involving the use and possession of marijuana on a case-by-case basis with a thoughtful consideration of circumstances.

The letter that was sent by CHA to all HCV participants is attached so you are also aware of that communication and information.

CHA will be working with property owners, landlords and participants to ensure that everyone understands their rights and responsibilities under the new law. As your partner, we understand the need to apply the requirements of the new law equitably to your assisted and market-rate tenants. Please reach out to our Owner Services department should you have questions. They can be reached at 312-935-2600 or [ownerinfo@thecha.org](mailto:ownerinfo@thecha.org).

#### **IMPORTANT RESOURCES ABOUT THE NEW MARIJUANA LAW:**

The City of Chicago has created a Cannabis Information Center website that provides more details, information and resources for all Chicagoans about the new law. It can be accessed here: <https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/cannabis-information-center/home.html>

The City of Chicago in partnership with the Chicago Department of Public Health also has created Cannabis Facts Chicago, a website to provide precautionary guidance for the new law. You can access that information here: [www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/cdph/provdrs/healthy\\_living/svcs/cannabis-facts-chicago.html](http://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/cdph/provdrs/healthy_living/svcs/cannabis-facts-chicago.html)