Deconcentration of Poverty Policy
RESOLUTION NO. 3373

RESOLUTION APPROVING MHA'S DEVELOPMENT OF A PROPOSED HOUSING DECONCENTRATION POLICY AND ANY NECESSARY CHANGES IN THE AUTHORITY’S ADMISSION POLICY TO IMPLEMENT AND PROMOTE DECONCENTRATION OF PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the Memphis Housing Authority is governed by the rules and regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, HUD has required all public housing authority's to develop a policy for implementing the public housing deconcentration policy; and

WHEREAS, the staff has proposed that the following measures be utilized to achieve the deconcentration of poverty in public housing:

1. The authority has established and implemented a work preference in an effort to house working families.
2. The authority will include in its ACOP and agency plan the establishment of flat and ceiling rents in an effort to attract higher income families.
3. The authority will explore efforts to demolish and renovate obsolete units at some of its scattered sites with the possibility of using vouchers or certificates or even establishing a home ownership program to attract higher income families
4. The authority will dedensify its developments to make them safer and more marketable which will help in our efforts of deconcentration.

WHEREAS, the Memphis Housing Authority staff will make all necessary changes in the Authority’s admission policy to promote deconcentration of poverty in public housing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Memphis Housing Authority Board of Commissioners hereby approves the development of a deconcentration policy and changes in the Authority’s Admission policy to implement and promote said policy.