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## DuPage Housing Authority is forming the **Resident Advisory Board**

... and we need **YOU!**

The **Resident Advisory Board** (RAB) provides DHA and all Housing Choice Voucher Program participants with a forum for sharing information about the DHA's Annual Plan. DHA is required to establish a Resident Advisory Board (RAB) as part of our Plan process. RAB membership is comprised of individuals who reflect and represent the program participants assisted by DHA. The role of the RAB is to assist DHA in developing our PHA Plan and in making any significant amendment or modification to the Plan.

***The main role of the RAB is to make recommendations in the development of the PHA Plan.*** DHA is also required to request input from the RAB for any significant amendment or modification to the DHA Administrative Plan.

Residents who volunteer to be part of the RAB can be excellent partners to DHA during the development of the PHA Plan. Although DHA is expected to make a significant effort to ensure adequate participant representation on the Resident Advisory Board, securing participation by residents posed a challenge for DHA.

It has been found that Executive Directors are more likely to get commitments from program participants if we personally request their participation. Participants might also be hesitant to volunteer to work with a Resident Advisory Board if they do not really understand their role as a member of the RAB. DHA will provide full information to all participants regarding the RAB. That information will inform participants of the purpose and role of the RAB, as well as practical information such as the time commitment required.

If you are interested in volunteering for the DHA RAB, please contact Executive Administrative Assistant Susan Martin at: [smartin@dupagehousing.org](mailto:smartin@dupagehousing.org).

Thank-you!

Sincerely,

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