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To: **Department of Transitional Assistance Staff**

From: **Anne O'Sullivan, Assistant Commissioner for Change Management**

Re: **DTA Families/DHCD HomeBASE Housing Assistance**

Overview

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) HomeBASE Housing Assistance program offers time-limited housing assistance to families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. To be eligible for HomeBASE housing assistance, a family must first be determined eligible for Emergency Assistance (EA) by DHCD staff.

Families receiving TAFDC, EAEDC and/or SNAP benefits may receive HomeBASE housing assistance provided they meet DHCD eligibility requirements as determined by DHCD staff and agencies contracted with DHCD to administer the HomeBASE program.

A link to a DHCD informational notice, in English and Spanish, for families who need to apply for EA can be viewed by accessing DTA Online, Field Operations link, TAO Liaison Listing link and clicking on the DHCD Liaison link.

Purpose

This Online Guide Transmittal informs DTA staff about a new Online Guide book/pages which:

- describe DHCD HomeBASE services offered; and

Purpose (continued)

- explain how HomeBASE impacts DTA programs and program requirements.

New BEACON Online Guide Book/Pages

The following book and pages have been added to the Cross Programs section of the Online Guide:

Topic: Cross Programs
Book: DTA Families/DHCD HomeBASE Housing Assistance
Pages: DTA Families/DHCD HomeBASE Housing Assistance

Topic: Cross Programs
Book: DTA Families/DHCD HomeBASE Housing Assistance
Pages: HomeBASE Impact on DTA Programs/Requirements

Questions

If you have any questions, please email the DTA Mailbox.
Systems questions should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.