PD&R Research Roadmap

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Objective

To develop a research roadmap for PD&R, through engagement with HUD staff and the broader policy and research community, that defines a research program that leverages PD&R assets and informs decision makers and the public on critical housing and community development policy issues.

The roadmap will identify research priorities for PD&R and establish a set of research projects to undertake over the next 5 years.
PD&R Budget

Research & Technology (R&T) Fund
- $46-48 million annually for the last three years
- $52 million in HUD’s FY 2013 request
- Focus on the nation’s basic housing data infrastructure – majority to AHS and other housing surveys

Transformation Initiative (TI) Fund
- HUD’s new funding vehicle for large-scale research, evaluations, and program demonstrations – “transformative” research
- Varied funding over the last three years totals over $95 million for research and program demonstrations
- $24-48 million in HUD’s FY 2013 request
- 8 major research studies and demonstrations launched so far

PD&R Staff of just under 150, including field economists
Process

Oct 2011  Outreach on HUD USER
Nov 2011  Research Agenda Conference
Feb – May 2012  HUD internal outreach
               Partners and Stakeholders outreach

June 2012  Research priorities
June – Sep 2012  Research projects  \(\rightarrow\)  FY 2014 Budget
Feb 2013  Research Roadmap
Assets

• Staff

• Surveys
  – American Housing Survey
  – Rental Housing Finance Survey

• Data sets
  – HUD Administrative Data (TRACS, PIC, LIHTC, REAC, FHA)
  – Program parameters and tabulations (FMRs, DDA, income limits)
  – AFFH Neighborhood Opportunity Database (under development)
Assets

• Demonstrations
  – Pre-purchase housing counseling
  – Homeless families and services

• Evaluations
  – Choice Neighborhoods

• Other research
  – Housing Discrimination Study 2010
  – Regulatory Barriers Research Program

• Dissemination
  – HUD USER
HUD’s Strategic Plan 2010-2015

• **Goal 1:** Strengthen the nation’s housing market to bolster the economy and protect consumers.

• **Goal 2:** Meet the need for quality affordable rental homes

• **Goal 3:** Utilize housing as a platform for improving quality of life

• **Goal 4:** Build inclusive and sustainable communities free from discrimination
Goal 1 Research Issues

• Goal 1: Strengthen the nation’s housing market to bolster the economy and protect consumers.
  – Foreclosure Crisis
  – Sustainable Homeownership
  – Accountable and Sustainable Housing Finance
Goal 2 Research Issues

• Goal 2: Meet the need for quality affordable rental homes
  – Renters
    • Renter behavior
    • Demographic change
    • Income and employment
  – Property Owners
    • Neighborhood stabilization
    • Property distress and financing
    • Behavior
  – Programs and Financing
Goal 3: Utilize housing as a platform for improving quality of life

- Education
- Health
- Economic security and self-sufficiency
- Housing stability through supportive services to vulnerable populations
- Public safety
Goal 4 Research Issues

- Goal 4: Build inclusive and sustainable communities free from discrimination
  - Regional Equity
  - Land Use Planning and Demographic Trends
  - Transportation
  - Neighborhood Opportunity and Choice
  - Energy Efficiency
Discussion

What are the priority research issues?
Consider:

– Important research gaps
– High policy relevance
– HUD’s assets give it a comparative advantage
– Opportunities for partnerships

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