

GILPIN COURT Information for Families

DATE: August 29, 2022

Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority Section 18 Demolition/Disposition – Gilpin Court

The Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) plan to submit a Section 18 application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for RRHA's Gilpin Court community.

- 1. What is Section 18? It is an application for the removal of public housing and is authorized under Section 18 of the Housing Act of 1937 (the Act), as amended.**
- 2. RRHA is NOT demolishing Gilpin court now. Gilpin Court families do not have to move or do anything now.**
- 3. It is the responsibility of Gilpin families to continue to pay your rent and stay compliant with your lease.**
- 4. The reasons for the submission of the demolition and disposition application for Gilpin are:**
 - Units in Gilpin Court are outdated, and RRHA wants to provide newer, larger energy-efficient units with centralized heating and air, modern kitchens, and baths.**
 - Due to the age and structure of Gilpin units, it is too expensive to renovate or rehabilitate versus tear down and rebuild.**
- 5. RRHA is submitting the demolition and disposition application to start redevelopment efforts. This application will allow RRHA to work with a development partner to offer new housing options to families in Gilpin Court.**
- 6. RRHA will hold a series of community meetings with Gilpin Court families to provide information and to respond to any questions.**
- 7. In addition, RRHA will send written notification to Gilpin Families before applying to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Demolition/Disposition, as required by Virginia Law.**
- 8. Virginia Law states that RRHA cannot apply for disposition activities until six (6) months after the resident notification letter.**
- 9. Once the time requirement is fulfilled and Gilpin families are aware, the following steps are:**
 - 2022-2023 A series of consistent community meetings with families.**
 - 2023 Apply for demolition and disposition of units based on the phased redevelopment plan.**
 - 2023-2024- Perform family Assessments for Housing Options based on selected phases.**