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**FROM MIKE GIFFORD: HUD Contract forms, including the "5370" forms**

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Procurement Professionals,

I have received a number of inquiries as to the current status of the HUD-mandated contract forms, including the often-utilized HUD "5370" forms. The concern is, many of these forms are expiring at the end of this month (expiring 3/31/2020), and the question is, are these forms still applicable, are they still required by HUD to be utilized?

The answer is "Yes," these forms are still applicable, even with an expired expiration date listed thereon. This is not the first time that a HUD form has expired, and we have, in the past, continued to utilize such forms with an expired expiration date listed thereon. Further, with our current societal conditions (specifically, the coronavirus pandemic), and the many folks who are, as a result, not working from an office, it is my belief that we should expect that it may be sometime before these forms are actually updated with a new expiration date; however, the information on these forms is still valid and useful and I encourage housing folks to still utilize these forms in their solicitations and contracts.

To conclude, until HUD issues a notice to stop utilizing these forms, I strongly recommend that you continue to utilize them in your solicitations and ensuing contracts. I hope that this is of a help.

Regards,

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I have a consulting practice providing procurement- and contracts-related mentoring, training, and technical assistance to housing agencies. I help housing agencies conduct procurement and contracts in a HUD-compliant and "best practice" manner. [Click here](#) to see my full resume. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns pertaining to procurement and contracts (initial answering of questions is "no charge"). As I am either on-the-road or on the phone a lot, an initial contact by e-mail is best; please be sure to include your return telephone number (office/cellular) so that I can call you back.

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