Exhibit 2

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Subject: HUD FOIA 22-FI-HQ-00604 Initial Fee Waiver Response

Date: January 30, 2023 at 9:27 AM **To:** chris@functionalgovernment.org



Good morning Mr. Stanley -

The Department of Housing and Urban Development acknowledges your Freedom of Information Act request (FOIA) dated January 27, 2023. Your request was received on January 30, 2023, in the FOIA Office and you requested a fee waiver.

While the Department seeks to waive fees where appropriate, HUD is also obligated to safeguard the public treasury by refusing to grant waivers except as provided by the FOIA. As the proper focus must be on the benefit to be derived by the general public, any personal benefit by the requester, or the requester's particular financial situation, are not factors entitling the requester to a fee waiver. The Department is in the process of making a determination on fees. Once we receive a search back from the program area, we will inform you of the fee waiver decision.

For your information, your FOIA request, including your identity and any information made available, is releasable to the public under subsequent FOIA requests. In responding to these requests, the Department does not release personal information, such as home address, telephone number, or Social Security number, all of which are protected from disclosure under FOIA Exemption 6.

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at nakia.n.scott@hud.gov. Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs and policies.

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