



## CANNABIS CLARIFICATION

### CANNABIS USE PROHIBITED FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PARTICIPANTS

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Dear Resident(s):

This year Minnesota passed an expansive “cannabis legalization” bill that allows the recreational use of cannabis (marijuana) for adults 21 and older. Despite that change in Minnesota state law, the St. Paul Public Housing Agency (PHA) is notifying you that cannabis use and possession is still illegal under federal law.

Therefore, you cannot use or possess cannabis at your home if you live in federally subsidized housing. That includes the Housing Choice Voucher and Project Based Voucher Programs. If you violate this prohibition, you could be evicted or denied housing. The prohibition also includes your guests and all members of your household. The federal prohibition also includes medical marijuana.

Because possession or use of marijuana remains a violation of federal law, smoking or vaporizing, edibles, and/or possession of cannabis (commonly called pot or marijuana), remains illegal in your unit and will be considered a serious lease violation.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact your worker at the PHA.

Thank you,

St. Paul Public Housing Agency