

**STUDY #778:
FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE
ASSESSMENT OF THE HENRY HORNER REDEVELOPMENT
CHA RESIDENT VERSION**

These are the key questions we're trying to answer for this research. The discussion guide is trying to get at these issues:

- What factors lead to success in creating a healthy, mixed-income development?
- What kinds of efforts are successful in integrating residents into the larger community? What kinds are unsuccessful?
- How does the revitalization effort affect the lives of individual families currently residing in Horner? Does it reduce the level of crime and reported victimization? Does it improve the quality of life overall? Do current residents ultimately believe that they have benefitted from this initiative?

I. Revitalization Goals

- What do you think are CHA's goals for the revitalization of Horner?
- What do you think the goals should be?
- What has been done so far to meet these goals?
 - Have building been torn down?
 - Has construction begun?
 - Have new families moved in?
 - Have residents been relocated?
 - Have meetings been held?
- What are the reasons that residents choose to stay in the new development or relocate to other assisted housing?
- How do you feel about the new Horner development?
What is the best thing about the revitalization process?
What is the worst thing?

II. Overall Assessment

- Overall, would you say the revitalization is a success or not? Why?
- How has it changed your life or your families lives, for better or for worse?

III. Community Development

- Has the area around Horner changed at all? Are there new stores, parks or services? IF YES: Do you use them?
- Have new working families moved into the neighborhood or the development?
IF YES: How do you feel about that?
Has it changed the lives of the residents at all?
Has it made any of the residents more motivated to get jobs for example?
Do you think the residents feel threatened or resentful of the new residents?
- How do you think the new residents feel about the current Horner residents? Do they interact much? Do their kids go to the same schools?

IV. Perceptions of Services and Quality of Life

- Have new social services been put in place such as employment and training, substance abuse, parenting training, child care, and psychological counseling?
- IF YES: Are residents using the new services?
IF NO: What new services are needed?
- Are there particular reasons residents do or do not use the new services?
- Do you think the redevelopment efforts have made Horner more safe, less safe, or made no difference?