

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM POLICY

Introduction:

The Housing Authority of the County of Dekalb (HACD) is committed to be a national model of a progressive, efficient, and caring public housing agency. The video surveillance system (VSS) of public areas is intended to assist in protecting the safety and property of the HACD.

General Principles:

HACD management and local area Police and Sheriff Departments are authorized to select, coordinate, operate, and monitor all video surveillance. The VSS shall be used in a professional and ethical manner in accordance with HACD Policy and local, state, and federal laws and regulations. All personnel using camera surveillance or obtaining footage thereof are responsible for complying with this policy in their respective operations.

Appropriate Use and Confidentiality:

All VSS images and captures are the sole and confidential property of the HACD. No footage shall be shown, disclosed, or disseminated to the media, public, internet, or any other unauthorized person(s) without prior written approval from HACD General Counsel, HACD Executive Director, or designee.

Requests to provide video recordings directly to non-employees (such as tenants, neighbors, or members of the general public) will not be accommodated. If a crime has been committed, non-employees should be encouraged to report it to the police. If it is believed that recorded video from HACD would assist in the investigation of this crime, the police should be told to contact the HACD. If relevant video is available, a permanent video clip of the incident will be produced and made available to the police.

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