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Do you have call-for-aid switches and/or lights in your units?

8 PHAs answered yes without comment

10 PHAs answered either never had them or have removed them

The following responded yes, with comment.

Yes, we do. Only at our elderly and disabled units. (Alice)

Did away with them several years ago because of REAC inspections. Tenants would not leave them unaltered. (Baird)

Some of our units have call for aid lights with pull cords in the bedroom and bathroom. (Bartlett)

Not in all units. Only in 3 handicap units and the HA office. (Big Sandy)

Call-for-aid switches are in all handicap units but not in others. (Waxahachie)

In one elderly site, we have the call for aid on 39 units. (Brady)

We have 2 handicap units that have the call strings in them. We are in the process of seeing if they are working or not (Wellington)

We have them in 33 of our 54 units. They do not alert the police or emergency services, just their neighbors. (Trinidad)

Yes, on our Elderly handicap units. (Winters)

We have a few left however are taking them out as we can due to not really been useful in the past. (Wortham)

Pulls that turn on outside light and the bell rings in our handicap units. (Bridgeport)

Yes. One call aid in a bathroom had a long string on it. Tenant got wrapped up in it and sounded the alarm. We all had a good laugh over it. (Bryson)

yes- only on the Elderly/Disabled and Wheelchair Accessible units. (Center)

we have call for aid switches in our 1 bedroom apts.(Clarendon

Yes we do in our older units, built in 1985 and older. (Comanche)

Only in the handicap units (Decatur)

Yes, in the handicap units. (Dublin)

The last property built here in 1984 does have the call for aid switches in all 20 units. Other than that only the handicapped units on each property. (DeLeon)

Denison has red lights on porches that come on when tenant pulls a call for aid switch. These are only in the handicapped units. There are no alarms that sound. (Denison)

We have them in the elderly/disabled units only. (Edgewood)

Yes, were installed in all elderly one bedroom units and the physically challenged unit--- a two bedroom--way back when--1995 and 1996. (Flatonia)

Yes , at the hotel (20 units)we have both alarms and lights and they are a pain in the butt! The elderly will pull the strings in the middle of the night and never hear it, but the other tenants do. Maintenance did remove the alarm in the regular units (10) that had them but not the light. But they all still work. (Gorman)

We have pull strings with outside lights in our 1 bedroom units. Sort of a pain in the behind! (Granger)

We do, in one site only (Grapeland)

Handicap units only (Haltom City)

Yes we do in our 1 bedroom units for elderly or disabled. (Huntsville)

We have 22 units with call-for-aid switches with exterior lights that flash and buzz if activated. The switches are located in one bedroom and bathroom of elderly/disabled units only. (Junction)

Yes, we have Call-for-Aid switches (Levelland)

Lockhart Housing Authority has call-for-aid switches in the bathroom and bedroom that causes a loud horn to sound if someone is in need of assistance.

Yes, we do. But we are taking them out because Inspector did not like where they were placed and they have been there since the facility was built. (Lometa)

We do at our senior complex. We added 12 units a few years ago and while we could not find that it was a requirement, we could not get anyone to say we did not have to put them in. (Lubbock)

Yes, we have a alarm that is activated by a pull string in the elderly complex (40 units). The switches are in the bathroom and bedroom. This is only a 1 bedroom complex. (Luling)

Only at our elderly site (Mathis)

Yes we have call for aid switches in the bedrooms and bathrooms and an alert light/bell on the outside of each unit. (Memphis)

Only in the handicapped accessible apartments – they activate a red light and a buzzer on the front porch. (Monahans)

We do in 9 units. (Munday)

Yes, switches inside bath and bedrooms and light and sound outside the front door. (Bowie Co.)

Yes, in most apartments. Switches inside bath and bedrooms and light and sound outside the front door. (New Boston)

Yes 28 Elderly only (Newton)

Yes, in our handicap units. (Paris)

Not all, but most of our 1-bedroom units have the emergency buzzer/lights. (Pearsall)

Pecos HA - 20% of our apartments have the "call-for-aid" switches. (Pecos)

Yes. Not worth it. (Pineland)

Yes. Light and buzzer. They can be a maintenance problem. It is hard to find someone to repair so they replace. Cost is about \$250-\$300. Not sure I would do them again. (Post)

We do and I hate them. We have cats pull the cords playing with them and activate them or pull them out of the wall. We plan to remove them all before our next reac inspection. (Quanah)

Rising Star Housing Authority has them. There is one in bedroom and one in bathroom.

Call for aid switches in our 1 bedroom and handicapped units. (Robstown)

Yes, we have them in Hamlin. REAC inspector suggested removing them by removing the pull cord and covering with a blank switch plate. He said that you are not required to remove the light over the front door. (Rotan)

Yoakum – yes – but we can't find parts to fix them, so going to have to replace all or take them completely out. We are leaning toward replacing all. Even though they don't notify anyone (like 911) they have been helpful if neighbors hear it and then they reach out to help. So we think it is worth replacing.

Only on our one bedrooms units. (Slaton)

We have one (1) in the only unit we have that is handicap ready. (Spearman)

Yes, in my ADA units only. (SPRHA)

