



Persons with disabilities have the right to request reasonable accommodations to participate in the application process. If you need assistance to apply online and require a paper application, or if you need another type of reasonable accommodation, please contact Leased Housing at (510) 587-2100.

For persons with hearing impairments, please call our TDD number at (510) 587-7119.

Language translation services are available in 151 languages at all offices at no cost. Please call (510) 587-2100 for assistance.

所有办事处均免费提供 151 种语言的语言翻译服务

Los servicios de traducción en 151 idiomas están disponibles en todas las oficinas sin ningún costo.

Trương chính thông dịch đầy đủ cho tới 151 tiếng nói miễn phí cho quý vị đang có tại nhiều văn phòng gần đây.

2025 WAITLIST OPENING for the HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

Oakland Housing Authority (OHA) is accepting pre-applications for the 2025 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program.

Pre-applications will be accepted Tuesday, January 7, 2025, 12:00 AM PST through Sunday, January 26, 2025 11:59 PM PST.

The HCV program, also known as Section 8, is a federal program that provides rental assistance to low-income eligible individuals allowing them to afford and live in safe and decent privately owned rental properties throughout Oakland. All applicants must be 18 years of age or older at the time of application.



All pre-applications received during the opening will go into a random computerized lottery. OHA will place **5,000** applicants on the 2025 HCV waitlist. If selected in the random computerized lottery, you will be placed on the waitlist. Your position on the waitlist will be determined by preferences which will be subject to verification. Applicants will receive notification of their lottery status within 120 days from the waitlist closing.





How do I apply?

You may fill out a pre-application online or utilize a paper application with support from OHA staff. If you choose a paper application, an OHA staff member will assist with entering your information into the online portal for the purposes of the lottery.

Please visit one of our OHA locations on the following dates between 10am and 2pm or call (510) 587-2100.

East District Office 1327 65 th Ave. Oakland, CA 94621	Leased Housing Dept 1540 Webster Street Oakland, CA 94612	West District Office 935 Union Street Oakland, CA 94607
Tuesday – Thursday 1/7/25 – 1/9/25 1/14/25 – 1/16/25 1/21/25 – 1/23/25	Tuesday – Thursday 1/7/25 – 1/9/25 1/14/25 – 1/16/25 1/21/25 – 1/23/25	Tuesday – Thursday 1/7/25 – 1/9/25 1/14/25 – 1/16/25 1/21/25 – 1/23/25
Saturday 1/11/25	Saturday 1/25/25	

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1. Go to www.oakha.org or <https://myohaportal.oakha.org/> to submit a pre-application. You must have a valid email address to submit a pre-application. If you do not have an email, you will have the opportunity to create an email address in the portal. There is no fee for completing the pre-application. THIS IS NOT A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED PROCESS.
2. **You must complete and submit your pre-application by Sunday, January 26, 2025, 11:59 PM PST.**
3. You will receive an email confirming when you successfully complete and submit the pre-application. **SAVE YOUR CONFIRMATION EMAIL.**
4. If you cannot apply online, please visit one of the sites noted above or call (510) 587-2100 for assistance. Please refer to the **“How do I apply”** section above.





What do I need to apply?

1) Valid email address	4) Dates of birth of all household members
2) Phone number	5) Social security number for all household members (if available)
3) Full name of all household members	6) Total gross annual income for the household

After you've completed the pre-application, please be sure to print or save the confirmation page as a record of your pre-application. Staff at the application assistance centers will help applicants print and save confirmation records.

Eligibility Requirements

1. At least one household member must be a U.S. citizen or eligible immigrant; and
2. No household member can be subject to a lifetime registration requirement under any of the 50 states' sex offender registration programs; and
3. No household member can have been convicted of drug-related criminal activity for the production or manufacture of methamphetamine on the premises of federally assisted housing; and
4. The total income of all the people listed on the pre-application must not exceed the current income limits. Income includes, but is not limited to wages, Social Security benefits, pensions, child support, unemployment benefits, CalWin (TANF), or net income from a business, etc.

2024 Income Limits by # of Persons in Family							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
\$54,500	\$62,300	\$70,100	\$77,850	\$84,100	\$90,350	\$96,550	102,800





Subsidy Standards

The voucher size for which an applicant family qualifies depends on their household size and composition, and any verifiable special needs. **OHA will assign one-bedroom for each two persons regardless of gender or age, based on the below household composition.**

Head of household and <i>no</i> spouse/significant other		Head of household with a spouse/significant other
	1 Bedroom	
	2 Bedrooms	
	2 Bedrooms	
	3 Bedrooms	
	3 Bedrooms	
	4 Bedrooms	
	4 Bedrooms	
	5 Bedrooms	

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The City of Oakland prohibits rental discrimination based on criminal history per the Ronald V. Dellums and Simbarashe Sherry Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance No 13581 C.M.S. (O.M.C. 8.25). Visit

<http://oakha.org/AffordableHousing/HowDoIApplyForHousing/Documents/Fair-Chance-Ordinance.Tenant-Notice.10.5.2020.pdf> for more information.

