



State of Hawaii
Hawaii Public Housing Authority

OPENING OF SECTION 8 WAITING LIST
October 29, 2020 – November 2, 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) in accordance with §15-185-28, Hawaii Administrative Rules, Section 8 Covid-19 Emergency Rules, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regulations outlined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the HPHA's Section 8 Administrative Plan, will temporarily reopen the waiting list for applicants with a preference.

Online applications will be accepted from eligible applicants which include the following preference: 1) Lease in Place.

The HPHA will have the waiting list open for applicants to apply for the following programs:

- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program

To qualify, an applicant must:

- Be housed under a current, valid lease agreement
- Have a landlord who has agreed to participate in the HCV program, including meeting all HCV criteria for unit inspection, providing valid tax identification information, and complying with program requirements.

The online application portal will be opened for five days starting on Thursday, October 29, 2020, at 8:00 a.m. and closing on Monday, November 2, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.

What is Section 8: Section 8 is a program that provides rental assistance to eligible very low-income families and guarantees monthly payments to owners. The family's portion of the rent is based on household income and ranges from 30% to 40% of the family's adjusted monthly income. HPHA pays the rest of the rent directly to the landlord. HPHA serves the City and County of Honolulu. With some restrictions, Section 8 housing assistance allows families to live in a qualified unit and area of their choice.

How do I submit an application? Pre-applications can only be submitted online. Devices such as mobile phones and tablets with Internet access may be used; however, not all operating systems support this pre-application. No pre-applications will be accepted at the Housing Authority's office.

1. Be prepared by having the names, dates of birth, and Social Security Numbers available for all persons who will be listed on your pre-application. You will need to know the monthly gross income (before taxes) for each source of income for

all persons listed on your pre-application. You must list all the sources of income individually.

2. Complete the pre-application on-line at hpha.myhousing.com by clicking on “Start Here”.
3. Submit a completed pre-application between 8:00 a.m. on October 29, 2020 and 4:30 p.m. on November 2, 2020. Pre-applications submitted after this period will be automatically rejected by the system and not accepted. Applications not fully completed (i.e., in the middle of submission) prior to the closing will be rejected.
4. Print your receipt or write down your Pre-Application Confirmation Number. A confirmation receipt is issued immediately after the pre-application is submitted. Print and save this confirmation.

No duplicate applications will be accepted. Any duplicate applications with same or similar household members will have both applications denied.

Does submitting a pre-application mean I’m on the wait list? No. HPHA has adopted a lottery/random selection policy. Following the closing of the waitlist, HPHA will randomly select 3,000 applicants to be placed on the waitlist. The order of all applicants selected to be on the wait list will be by random selection. Issuance will continue until the waitlist has expired, or the HPHA has leased up all available vouchers.

The public is reminded that there is no charge to apply. Applicants are encouraged to immediately report any individual or organization who attempts to charge a fee for completion of the application process.

Visit the HPHA’s website at www.hpha.hawaii.gov for more information about our programs. Complete the pre-application on-line at **hpha.myhousing.com** by clicking on “Start Here”.

Applicants who require a reasonable accommodation, must contact the HPHA before Thursday, October 29, 2020 for assistance. Please call (808)832-6040 or email hpha.section8waitlist@hawaii.gov.

Within approximately 10 days of waiting list closure, applicants will be sent a notice by email or mail if they were placed on the Section 8 HCV waiting list or not. Please do not call the HPHA offices prior to receiving this notice as no information will be given over the phone regarding application placement.

Interpreters will be available via zoom. Go to www.hpha.hawaii.gov or www.hphaishereforyou.org for the link

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