# CAMPBELL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING LANDLORD ORIENTATION PACKET



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# HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is a rental assistance program that assists low-income families with rental payments. The program is federally funded through the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and is administered by state, metropolitan, and local public housing agencies (PHAs). Campbell County Department of Housing (CCDH) is the PHA that administers the program for Campbell County and Pendleton County in Kentucky. CCDH does not administer the program for properties located within the city limits of Newport, KY. Any property located within the city limits of Newport KY is under the jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Foundations.

# HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

- A person or family interested in receiving assistance submits a pre-application to CCDH.
- Once the family reaches the top of the waitlist, they are required to attend an orientation.
- If the family is determined income-eligible, they are issued a Housing Choice Voucher and Request for Tenancy Approval (RTA) in order to begin their search for housing. The PHA checks each adult household member's criminal history record for program eligibility compliance on/or before the family's submission of a completed RTA.
- The family must locate a unit (apartment, duplex, townhome, condominium, mobile home, or house) which is appropriate for their household composition and is not owner-occupied or owned by a family member.
- If the owner of the property is agreeable to partnering with CCDH, they must complete the RTA. The RTA must be signed by both the property owner and their prospective tenant. The original RTA must then be submitted to the PHA for review with a copy of a proposed, unsigned lease agreement.
- If the RTA and proposed lease are approved by CCDH, an inspection is scheduled. CCDH will conduct the inspection within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the RTA, provided the unit is available for inspection during that time. The unit must be made available for inspection within 45 days of the PHA's receipt of the RTA or the RTA will be canceled.
- If the unit complies with Housing Quality Standards (HQS), it will pass inspection. If the unit does not comply, the owner may choose to bring the unit into compliance or cancel the RTA.
- Once the unit complies with HQS, a rent comparison will be conducted to determine whether the contract rent requested by the owner is reasonable. The comparison is made by using three unassisted units in the area that offer similar features and accommodations as the proposed unit.
- Once a reasonable rent is determined, the PHA will contact the owner with the approved amount of contract rent. Provided the PHA and owner agree, the PHA and owner will enter into a Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) contract. The HAP contract authorizes payment for the inspected unit on behalf of the family that submitted the RTA for the unit and correlates with the lease agreement.
- The contract must be executed within 60 calendar days of the effective date or it will be canceled. The PHA will not release payments until the contract is executed. The contract may not take effect until at least the day following a passed inspection, provided the tenant has access to the unit at that time. The PHA will prorate move-in dates at the owner and tenant's request.
- Typically, the family is responsible to pay 30% of their monthly adjusted income directly to the owner and the housing authority subsidizes the remaining rent.
- The family will pay their share of rent to the owner in the manner and time-frame specified in the lease agreement. The PHA will pay the remainder to the owner by Direct Deposit by the fifth of the month for which it is due.

- At least annually, the family must participate in a recertification process with the PHA. During the recertification process, the family's income is recalculated to determine continued eligibility. Families and owners are given written notice of changes in housing assistance payments and tenant rent.
- CCDH conducts biennial inspections of subsidized units. CCDH generally provides at least 10 days advance notice to owners and families of inspections.

# SECURITY DEPOSITS

Owners that participate in the Housing Choice Voucher Program may determine the amount of the security deposit collected from their tenant.

# **TENANT SELECTION**

Owners are responsible to screen prospective tenants for suitability. The PHA is only responsible for determining the family's eligibility for subsidy.

# **UNPAID RENT, DAMAGES, & EVICTIONS**

If a tenant does not pay their portion of rent or causes damage to the unit, the owner may choose to evict the tenant. Amounts owed for unpaid rent or damages may be applied toward the security deposit. The PHA will not reimburse owners for their loss; however, the family may be terminated from the Housing Choice Voucher Program for violation of their Family Obligations.

# LEASE AGREEMENTS

The Lease is to be provided to the tenant by the landlord. The PHA must have a copy of the signed lease in order to execute the Housing Assistance Payment Contract. The landlord and the tenant(s) sign the lease and the owner is responsible for enforcement of the lease. A tenancy addendum, provided by the PHA, must be attached to the tenant's lease once it is signed. Page 3, 14(b) of the tenancy addendum states: In case of any conflict between the provisions of the tenancy addendum as required by HUD, and any other provisions of the lease or any other agreement between the owner and the tenant, the requirements of HUD related tenancy addendum shall control.

CCDH strongly recommends that property owners and tenants familiarize themselves with the <u>Kentucky</u> <u>Revised Statute Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act</u> for specifics regarding the rights of both parties.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The participating family, the Owner, and CCDH are all involved in the process of ensuring that a dwelling unit complies with Housing Quality Standards (HQS).

# **CAMPBELL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING**

- 1. Ensure that all units meet Housing Quality Standards (HQS) at the time of inspection.
- 2. Make initial inspection in response to the Request for Tenancy Approval.
- 3. Inspect the unit at least biennially.
- 4. Encourage participants and owners to maintain units.
- 5. Make complaint inspections at the request of the owner or participant.

# THE PARTICIPANT/TENANT

- 1. Comply with the terms of the lease.
- 2. Keep the dwelling safe and sanitary.
- 3. Notify the owner of any necessary repairs.
- 4. Allow inspection of the unit at reasonable times after reasonable notice.
- 5. Notify both the Owner and the PHA in writing at least 30 days before moving.
- Notify CCDH in advance of any family composition changes and request prior approval to add a household member.
- 7. Pay utility bills and supply appliances that the owner is not required to supply.
- 8. Live in harmony with neighbors, keep noise to a minimum, and avoid conflicts.
- 9. Avoid any unlawful activity, including drug and violent activity.

# THE PROPERTY OWNER

- 1. Comply with the terms of the lease.
- 2. Keep the dwelling unit safe and sanitary.
- 3. Make necessary repairs within the prescribed time frame.
- 4. Comply with Fair Housing Laws.
- 5. Collect your security deposit, rent, and other charges.
- 6. Do not commit any criminal act in connection with any federal housing program.
- 7. Do not participate in illegal drug activity or violent criminal activity.
- 8. Owners are encouraged to carefully screen prospective tenants.

# **COMMON LANDLORD QUESTIONS**

- 1. What time of the month do I get my regular HAP payment? Between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- 2. How do I update my bank account information? Forms are available on our website at <u>www.campbellcountyky.gov</u> or call (859-261-5200) or email (<u>hgeneral@campbellcountyky.gov</u>) CCDH to obtain a new Direct Deposit form.
- 3. A tenant of mine has moved out, when should I notify the CCDH of this? Please notify us immediately. The contract terminates the date the tenant vacates the unit.
- 4. I have moved, do I need to update my address information with the CCDH and how do I do so? Forms are available on our website at <u>www.campbellcountyky.gov</u> or call (859-261-5200) or email (<u>hgeneral@campbellcountyky.gov</u>) CCDH to obtain a new Direct Deposit form.
- 5. What do I do if I sell my property to someone and a program participant is still living there? Please contact our office immediately so the HAP payment can be placed on hold. Let the new Landlord know that they need to contact our office and fill out a Transfer of Obligation, W-9, and Direct Deposit form as soon as possible. They will also need to provide a copy of the closing papers.
- Where can I advertise/list my property that is currently available? Contact our office via phone (859-261-5200) or email (<u>hgeneral@campbellcountyky.gov</u>) to have your property added to our Available Unit Listing.
- 7. What amount should I charge for a security deposit? Owners that participate in the Housing Choice Voucher Program may collect and determine the amount of security deposit. In general, the amount should be reasonable and not exceed that charged for nonsubsidized tenants. CCDH is not responsible for paying the security deposit prior to the tenant moving into the unit.
- 8. **Can I charge additional rent to my tenant if the PHA does not approve the contract rent I request?** No, the contract rent amount approved by the Housing Authority is the most you may collect in rent for the unit.
- 9. Will CCDH screen my tenants for me? No, it is the responsibility of the owner to screen the tenant for suitability as a renter.
- 10. How long do I have to make repairs if the rental unit if it fails HQS inspection? 24 hours if it is life threatening defect and up to 30 days if it is non-life-threatening defect. CCDH may grant extensions in certain circumstances.
- 11. What do I do if I have a dispute with my tenant? As the Landlord, it is your responsibility to settle a dispute with your tenant. You should only contact CCDH regarding disputes if it cannot be resolved by any other means. Any notice to vacate issued to a tenant should also be forwarded to CCDH.
- 12. Is the rental process complete once the unit is inspected? No, after your unit passes inspection you will need to sign the final Housing Assistance Payment contract.

# **INFORMATION ABOUT OUR LANDLORD ONLINE ACCESS**

Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) statements can currently be viewed online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at <u>www.campbellcounty.ky.gov</u>. Click on Departments – Housing Program – Connect to Landlord Access. The landlord access website will allow you to view and print your statements.

The first step in using the site is to register, at which time you will set up your secure username and password. In order to register, you need to have received an access code letter. If you are a new landlord, access code letters are mailed out at the end of every month to each new landlord added to the system that month. This letter not only contains your private access code but it also gives you detailed step-by-step instructions on setting up your new landlord account. If you have lost or misplaced the access code letter, contact us so we can regenerate the letter and mail it to you. Please contact the office at hgeneral@campbellcoutyky.gov or call 859-261-5200.

# VAWA PROTECTIONS PERTAINING TO LANDLORDS

- 1. The Landlord may not consider incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking as serious or repeated violations of the lease or other "good cause" for termination of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy right of the victim of abuse.
- 2. The Landlord may not consider criminal activity directly relating to abuse, engaged in by a member of a tenant's household or any guest or other person under the tenant's control, as cause for termination of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights if the tenant or immediate member of the tenant's family is the victim or threatened victim of that abuse.
- 3. The Landlord may request in writing that the victim, or a family member on the victim's behalf, certify that the individual is a victim of abuse and that the Certification of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence or Stalking, Form HUD-91066, or other documentation as noted on the certification form, be completed and submitted within 14 business days, or an agreed upon extension date, to receive protection under the VAWA. Failure to provide the certification or other supporting documentation within the specified timeframe may result in eviction.

# Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards

### Lead Warning Statement

Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips, and dust can pose health hazards if not managed properly. Lead exposure is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. Before renting pre-1978 housing, lessors must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling. Lessees must also receive a federally approved pamphlet on lead poisoning prevention.

# Lessor's Disclosure

- (a) Presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards (check (i) or (ii) below):
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_ Known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing (explain).
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ Lessor has no knowledge of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
- (b) Records and reports available to the lessor (check (i) or (ii) below):
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_ Lessor has provided the lessee with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing (list documents below).
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ Lessor has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.

# Lessee's Acknowledgment (initial)

- (c) \_\_\_\_\_ Lessee has received copies of all information listed above.
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_ Lessee has received the pamphlet *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home.*

# Agent's Acknowledgment (initial)

(e) \_\_\_\_\_ Agent has informed the lessor of the lessor's obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852(d) and is aware of his/her responsibility to ensure compliance.

# **Certification of Accuracy**

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information they have provided is true and accurate.

| Lessor | Date | Lessor | Date |
|--------|------|--------|------|
| Lessee | Date | Lessee | Date |
| Agent  | Date | Agent  | Date |



# INSTRUCTIONS ON COMPLETING A TRANSFER OF OBLIGATION TO TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY

In order to change the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) payee under an existing HAP contract, Campbell County Department of Housing must receive a signed and dated request from the existing owner stating the name and address of the new owner and the effective date of the assignment (date new owner will begin receiving Housing Assistance Payments). Within 10 business days of receiving the owner's request the Housing Authority will inform the current owner in writing whether the assignment may take place.

The new owner must provide a written certification to CCDH which includes:

- (1) A copy of the escrow statement (settlement statement) or other document showing the transfer of title and recorded deed;
- (2) A copy of the new owner's IRS W-9 form, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification, or the social security number of the new owner;
- (3) A copy of the Direct Deposit authorization form and a copy of a voided check for that account (this is where the HAP will be sent);
- (4) The effective date of the HAP contract assignment (covered under the letter from the previous Landlord);
- (5) Execute a Transfer of Obligation form which is a written agreement to comply with the terms of the HAP contract and confirmation that the new owner is not a prohibitive relative.



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# TRANSFER OF OBLIGATION HUD SECTION 8 HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM

I agree as the new owner of the property located at: \_\_\_\_\_

to accept all obligations under the Housing Assistance Payments Contract # \_\_\_\_\_\_ dated: \_\_\_\_\_\_ between the previous owner and Campbell County Department of Housing. I have read and signed the owner certification of responsibility and agree to enforce the terms of my lease agreement. In turn, Campbell County Department of Housing will make Housing Assistance Payments to the new owner in the amount stated in the Contract for the rent of the assisted tenant(s):

Tenant(s): \_\_\_\_\_

HAP Payment: \$\_\_\_\_\_

| Tenant Payment: | \$ |
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Contract Rent: \$\_\_\_\_\_

I also agree to accept all obligations under the Assisted Lease Agreement between the previous owner and the above-mentioned tenant(s). I understand that the tenant has the same obligations to the new owner as he/she/they did to the previous owner and certify that I have obtained all relevant lease and rent roll documents from the previous owner.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, further acknowledge, as the current owner of the property for which I am filling out this form, that I am not a prohibitive relative of any of the tenants of this property. Prohibitive relative means; I am not the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the family, unless the PHA has determined (and notified the owner and the family of such determination) that approving rental of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.

I will begin to receive payment \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_. Any question about money paid prior to that date will be resolved between the previous owner and myself.

Print New Owner(s):

Signature(s):

Address: \_\_\_

IMPORTANT! Please print names of all owners or other persons having interest in the assisted property. An IRS W-9 form and Direct Deposit Authorization form must also be completed. When using a checking account for direct deposit our office requires a voided check for account verification. Documentation establishing ownership should also be attached. (i.e. settlement statement from sale of property). If you have a management agreement and would like CCDH to correspond with a representative of the management company, or if you would like to designate any other party as the contact for our office, please submit documentation accordingly.

# Department of Housing Approval: \_

Date:

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# CAMPBELL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING - OWNER/LANDLORD CERTIFICATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Property Owner (PRINT)

Complete Address of Assisted Unit

I understand the following statements, agree that the following are true, and will comply with these requirements. 24 CFR 982.306, 307, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, and 452 are referenced below.

The owner is responsible for performing all of the owner's obligations under the Federal Regulations, HAP contract, policies of the Department of Housing, and the lease agreement. The "owner" includes a principal or other interested party. The owner is responsible for:

- 1. Complying with obligations under a HAP contract Section 8 of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f). The owner must not commit fraud, bribery, or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with any federal housing program or engage in any drug-related or violent criminal activity.
- 2. Terminating tenancy for activity engaged in by the tenant, any member of the household, a guest or another person under the control of any member of the household that participates in drug-related or violent criminal activity, threatens the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents or persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.
- 3. Screening and selection of the family to occupy the owner's unit on the basis of their tenancy histories. CCDH has no liability or responsibility to the owner or other persons for the family's behavior or suitability for tenancy.
- 4. Including the HUD-required tenancy addendum to the owner's standard form lease that is used by the owner for unassisted tenants and providing CCDH a copy of any changes to the lease that the owner and tenant have agreed upon. The owner must notify CCDH of any changes in the amount of rent to owner at least sixty days before any such changes go into effect and any such changes are subject to rent reasonableness requirements. Tenant-based assistance shall not be continued unless CCDH has approved a new tenancy in accordance with program requirements and has executed a new HAP contract when there are changes in rent, utility responsibility, or any move to another unit, even within the same building or complex.
- 5. Executing a lease with my tenant that contains all HUD-required information and is for at least a term of one year. The rent may not be raised during the initial lease term. The HAP contract terminates when the lease terminates or CCDH terminates the owner or family's participation.
- 6. Giving the tenant a written notice that specifies the ground for termination of tenancy during the terms of the lease. During the term of the lease the owner may not terminate the tenancy except for any serious or repeated tenant violation, including tenant nonpayment or violation of federal, State, or local law that imposes obligations on the tenant in connection with the occupancy or good use of the premises, or other good cause.
- 7. Giving CCDH a copy of any owner eviction notice, notice to vacate, or complaint provided to the tenant. The owner may only evict the tenant from the unit by instituting a court action.
- 8. Keeping only housing assistance payments they are eligible for. Payments may only be made when the family is residing in the unit. The owner may not accept payment for any month after the family is no longer residing in the unit. The HAP contract terminates automatically upon the death of a single member household, including single member households with a live-in aide.
- 9. Performing all management and rental functions for the assisted unit, including selecting a voucher-holder to lease the unit, and deciding if the family is suitable for tenancy of the unit.

- Maintaining the unit in accordance with Housing Quality Standards, including performance of ordinary and extraordinary maintenance. For provisions on family maintenance responsibilities reference 24 CFR 982.404 (a)(4).
- 11. Complying with equal opportunity requirements.
- 12. Preparing and furnishing to Campbell County Department of Housing (CCDH) information required under the HAP contract.
- 13. Collecting any security deposit and tenant rental contribution (the part of rent to owner not covered by the housing assistance payment) from the family.
- 14. Collecting any charges for unit damage by the family.
- 15. Paying for utilities and services (unless paid by the family under the lease).
- 16. The tenant portion of the contract rent is determined by CCDH and that it is a violation of Federal Program Regulations to charge any additional amounts for rent or any other item not specified in the lease and which has not been specifically approved by CCDH.
- 17. I may not lease a unit to my family members, including all occupants, who are related to me in any of the following ways: parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother. I understand that CCDH may grant prior written approval if the rental unit will provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities, provided a written request is submitted before the HAP contract is executed.
- 18. I may not assign the HAP contract to a new owner without the prior written consent of CCDH, and that I am to provide advance notice of potential transfers of ownership to CCDH.
- 19. I understand that should the assisted tenant vacate the unit I am responsible for notifying CCDH immediately and in writing. I also understand that the HAP contract terminates automatically when approved tenant(s) no longer resides in the unit.
- 20. I understand that I should attempt to resolve disputes between the tenant and myself and should only contact CCDH regarding serious disputes that the tenant and I are unable to resolve. Such information must be reported to CCDH in writing.
- 21. I acknowledge that I have been briefed on the Section 8 program. I understand that my failure to fulfill my obligations may result in the withholding, abatement, or termination of housing assistance payments for the contract unit or another unit; and/or barring from participation in the CCDH housing programs.
- 22. I understand that knowingly supplying false, incomplete or inaccurate information is punishable under federal and/or State criminal law.
- 23. In signing this document, I certify that Campbell County Department of Housing has made me aware that it is my responsibility to comply with VAWA. I have been advised that I can find more information regarding my responsibilities in Pub.L.109-162, the Violence against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005.

Signature of Owner/Agent

Date

Warning: Title 18, US Code Section 1001, states that a person who knowingly and willingly makes false or fraudulent statements to any Department or Agency of the United States is guilty of a felony. State law may also provide penalties for false or fraudulent statements. Additional Program Regulations, Owner Obligations, and Agency Policies can be found @ 24 CFR 982, www.campbellcountyky.gov, and in the Housing Assistance Payment contract and tenancy addendum. This information is a summary of FAQs that CCDH receives from Owners and is not intended to be used as a comprehensive Program guide.

### Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contract Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance Housing Choice Voucher Program

**OMB Burden Statement.** The public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to be up to 0.5 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This collection of information is required to establish the terms between a private market owner and a PHA for participating in the program, including whether the tenant or owner pays for utilities and services. Assurances of confidentiality are not provided under this collection. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions to reduce this burden, to the Office of Public and Indian Housing, US. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410. HUD may not conduct and sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid control number.

**Privacy Notice.** The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect the information on this form by 24 CFR § 982.451. The information is used to provide Section 8 tenant-based assistance under the Housing Choice Voucher program in the form of housing assistance payments. The Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data collected on this form are not stored or retrieved within a system of record.

#### Instructions for use of HAP Contract

This form of Housing Assistance Payments Contract (HAP contract) is used to provide Section 8 tenant-based assistance under the housing choice voucher program (voucher program) of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The main regulation for this program is 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 982.

The local voucher program is administered by a public housing agency (PHA). The HAP contract is an agreement between the PHA and the owner of a unit occupied by an assisted family. The HAP contract has three parts:

Part A Contract information (fill-ins).

See section by section instructions.

Part B Body of contract

Part C Tenancy addendum

#### Use of this form

Use of this HAP contract is required by HUD. Modification of the HAP contract is not permitted. The HAP contract must be word-for-word in the form prescribed by HUD.

However, the PHA may choose to add the following:

Language that prohibits the owner from collecting a security deposit in excess of private market practice, or in excess of amounts charged by the owner to unassisted tenants. Such a prohibition must be added to Part A of the HAP contract.

Language that defines when the housing assistance payment by the PHA is deemed received by the owner (e.g., upon mailing by the PHA or actual receipt by the owner). Such language must be added to Part A of the HAP contract.

To prepare the HAP contract, fill in all contract information in Part A of the contract. Part A must then be executed by the owner and the PHA.

#### Use for special housing types

In addition to use for the basic Section 8 voucher program, this form must also be used for the following "special housing types" which are voucher program variants for special needs (see 24 CFR Part 982, Subpart M): (1) single room occupancy (SRO) housing; (2) congregate housing; (3) group home; (4) shared housing; and (5) manufactured home rental by a family that leases the manufactured home and space. When this form is used for a special housing type, the special housing type shall be specified in Part A of the HAP contract, as follows: "This HAP contract is used for the following special housing type under HUD regulations for the Section 8 voucher program: (Insert Name of Special Housing type)."

However, this form may not be used for the following special housing types: (1) manufactured home space rental by a family that owns the manufactured home and leases only the space; (2)

cooperative housing; and (3) the homeownership option under Section 8(y) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(y)).

#### How to fill in Part A

Section by Section Instructions

Section 2: **Tenant** Enter full name of tenant.

Section 3. **Contract Unit** Enter address of unit, including apartment number, if any.

#### Section 4. Household Members

Enter full names of all PHA-approved household members. Specify if any such person is a live-in aide, which is a person approved by the PHA to reside in the unit to provide supportive services for a family member who is a person with disabilities

#### Section 5. Initial Lease Term

Enter first date and last date of initial lease term.

The initial lease term must be for at least one year. However, the PHA may approve a shorter initial lease term if the PHA determines that:

- Such shorter term would improve housing opportunities for the tenant, and
- Such shorter term is the prevailing local market practice.

#### Section 6. Initial Rent to Owner

Enter the amount of the monthly rent to owner during the initial lease term. The PHA must determine that the rent to owner is reasonable in comparison to rent for other comparable unassisted units. During the initial lease term, the owner may not raise the rent to owner.

#### Section 7. Housing Assistance Payment

Enter the initial amount of the monthly housing assistance payment.

#### Section 8. Utilities and Appliances.

The lease and the HAP contract must specify what utilities and appliances are to be supplied by the owner, and what utilities and appliances are to be supplied by the tenant. Fill in section 8 to show who is responsible to provide or pay for utilities and appliances.

# Part A of the HAP Contract: Contract Information

(To prepare the contract, fill out all contract information in Part A.)

#### 1. Contents of Contract

- This HAP contract has three parts:
  - Part A: Contract Information
  - Part B: Body of Contract
  - Part C: Tenancy Addendum

#### 2. Tenant

#### 3. Contract Unit

#### 4. Household

The following persons may reside in the unit. Other persons may not be added to the household without prior written approval of the owner and the PHA.

#### 5. Initial Lease Term

The initial lease term begins on (mm/dd/yyyy):

The initial lease term ends on (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 6. Initial Rent to Owner

The initial rent to owner is: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ During the initial lease term, the owner may not raise the rent to owner.

#### 7. Initial Housing Assistance Payment

The HAP contract term commences on the first day of the initial lease term. At the beginning of the HAP contract term, the amount of the housing assistance payment by the PHA to the owner is \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ per month. The amount of the monthly housing assistance payment by the PHA to the owner is subject to change during the HAP contract term in accordance with HUD requirements.

### 8. Utilities and Appliances

The owner shall provide or pay for the utilities/appliances indicated below by an " $\mathbf{O}$ ". The tenant shall provide or pay for the utilities/appliances indicated below by a " $\mathbf{T}$ ". Unless otherwise specified below, the owner shall pay for all utilities and provide the refrigerator and range/microwave.

| Item             | Specify fuel type | 9           |          |           |       |       | Paid by     |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Heating          | Natural gas       | Bottled gas | Electric | Heat Pump | 🗖 Oil | Other |             |
| Cooking          | Natural gas       | Bottled gas | Electric |           |       | Other |             |
| Water Heating    | Natural gas       | Bottled gas | Electric |           | 🗖 Oil | Other |             |
| Other Electric   |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Water            |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Sewer            |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Trash Collection |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Air Conditioning |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Other (specify)  |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
|                  |                   |             |          |           |       |       | Provided by |
| Refrigerator     |                   |             |          |           |       |       |             |
| Range/Microwave  | ]                 |             |          |           |       |       |             |

# Signatures

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct. WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. § 287, 1001, 1010, 1012; U.S.C. § 3729, 3802).

### **Public Housing Agency**

Print or Type Name of PHA

#### Owner

Print or Type Name of Owner

Signature

Print or Type Name and Title of Signatory

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Mail payments to:

Signature

Print or Type Name and Title of Signatory

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Name

Address (street, city, state, zip code)

# Part B of HAP Contract: Body of Contract

### 1. Purpose

- a. This is a HAP contract between the PHA and the owner. The HAP contract is entered to provide assistance for the family under the Section 8 voucher program (see HUD program regulations at 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 982).
- b. The HAP contract only applies to the household and contract unit specified in Part A of the HAP contract.
- c. During the HAP contract term, the PHA will pay housing assistance payments to the owner in accordance with the HAP contract.
- d. The family will reside in the contract unit with assistance under the Section 8 voucher program. The housing assistance payments by the PHA assist the tenant to lease the contract unit from the owner for occupancy by the family.

#### 2. Lease of Contract Unit

- a. The owner has leased the contract unit to the tenant for occupancy by the family with assistance under the Section 8 voucher program.
- b. The PHA has approved leasing of the unit in accordance with requirements of the Section 8 voucher program.
- c. The lease for the contract unit must include word-forword all provisions of the tenancy addendum required by HUD (Part C of the HAP contract).
- d. The owner certifies that:
  - (1) The owner and the tenant have entered into a lease of the contract unit that includes all provisions of the tenancy addendum.
  - (2) The lease is in a standard form that is used in the locality by the owner and that is generally used for other unassisted tenants in the premises.
  - (3) The lease is consistent with State and local law.
- e. The owner is responsible for screening the family's behavior or suitability for tenancy. The PHA is not responsible for such screening. The PHA has no liability or responsibility to the owner or other persons for the family's behavior or the family's conduct in tenancy.

#### 3. Maintenance, Utilities, and Other Services

- a. The owner must maintain the contract unit and premises in accordance with the housing quality standards (HQS).
- b. The owner must provide all utilities needed to comply with the HQS.

- c. If the owner does not maintain the contract unit in accordance with the HQS, or fails to provide all utilities needed to comply with the HQS, the PHA may exercise any available remedies. PHA remedies for such breach include recovery of overpayments, suspension of housing assistance payments, abatement or other reduction of housing assistance payments, termination of housing assistance payments, and termination of the HAP contract. The PHA may not exercise such remedies against the owner because of an HQS breach for which the family is responsible, and that is not caused by the owner.
- d. The PHA shall not make any housing assistance payments if the contract unit does not meet the HQS, unless the owner corrects the defect within the period specified by the PHA and the PHA verifies the correction. If a defect is life threatening, the owner must correct the defect within no more than 24 hours. For other defects, the owner must correct the defect within the period specified by the PHA.
- e. The PHA may inspect the contract unit and premises at such times as the PHA determines necessary, to ensure that the unit is in accordance with the HQS.
- f. The PHA must notify the owner of any HQS defects shown by the inspection.
- g. The owner must provide all housing services as agreed to in the lease.

### 4. Term of HAP Contract

- a. Relation to lease term. The term of the HAP contract begins on the first day of the initial term of the lease, and terminates on the last day of the term of the lease (including the initial lease term and any extensions).
- b. When HAP contract terminates.
  - (1) The HAP contract terminates automatically if the lease is terminated by the owner or the tenant.
  - (2) The PHA may terminate program assistance for the family for any grounds authorized in accordance with HUD requirements. If the PHA terminates program assistance for the family, the HAP contract terminates automatically.
  - (3) If the family moves from the contract unit, the HAP contract terminates automatically.
  - (4) The HAP contract terminates automatically 180 calendar days after the last housing assistance payment to the owner.
  - (5) The PHA may terminate the HAP contract if the PHA determines, in accordance with HUD requirements, that available program funding is not sufficient to support continued assistance for families in the program.

- (6) The HAP contract terminates automatically upon the death of a single member household, including single member households with a live-in aide.
- (7) The PHA may terminate the HAP contract if the PHA determines that the contract unit does not provide adequate space in accordance with the HQS because of an increase in family size or a change in family composition.
- (8) If the family breaks up, the PHA may terminate the HAP contract, or may continue housing assistance payments on behalf of family members who remain in the contract unit.
- (9) The PHA may terminate the HAP contract if the PHA determines that the unit does not meet all requirements of the HQS, or determines that the owner has otherwise breached the HAP contract.

#### 5. Provision and Payment for Utilities and Appliances

- a. The lease must specify what utilities are to be provided or paid by the owner or the tenant.
- b. The lease must specify what appliances are to be provided or paid by the owner or the tenant.
- c. Part A of the HAP contract specifies what utilities and appliances are to be provided or paid by the owner or the tenant. The lease shall be consistent with the HAP contract.

### 6. Rent to Owner: Reasonable Rent

- a. During the HAP contract term, the rent to owner may at no time exceed the reasonable rent for the contract unit as most recently determined or redetermined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements.
- b. The PHA must determine whether the rent to owner is reasonable in comparison to rent for other comparable unassisted units. To make this determination, the PHA must consider:
  - (1) The location, quality, size, unit type, and age of the contract unit; and
  - (2) Any amenities, housing services, maintenance and utilities provided and paid by the owner.
- c. The PHA must redetermine the reasonable rent when required in accordance with HUD requirements. The PHA may redetermine the reasonable rent at any time.
- d. During the HAP contract term, the rent to owner may not exceed rent charged by the owner for comparable unassisted units in the premises. The owner must give the PHA any information requested by the PHA on rents charged by the owner for other units in the premises or elsewhere.

### 7. PHA Payment to Owner

### a. When paid

(1) During the term of the HAP contract, the PHA must make monthly housing assistance

payments to the owner on behalf of the family at the beginning of each month.

- (2) The PHA must pay housing assistance payments promptly when due to the owner.
- (3) If housing assistance payments are not paid promptly when due after the first two calendar months of the HAP contract term, the PHA shall pay the owner penalties if all of the following circumstances apply: (i) Such penalties are in accordance with generally accepted practices and law, as applicable in the local housing market, governing penalties for late payment of rent by a tenant; (ii) It is the owner's practice to charge such penalties for assisted and unassisted tenants; and (iii) The owner also charges such penalties against the tenant for late payment of family rent to owner. However, the PHA shall not be obligated to pay any late payment penalty if HUD determines that late payment by the PHA is due to factors beyond the PHA's control. Moreover, the PHA shall not be obligated to pay any late payment penalty if housing assistance payments by the PHA are delayed or denied as a remedy for owner breach of the HAP contract (including any of the following PHA remedies: recovery of overpayments, suspension of housing assistance payments, abatement or reduction of housing assistance payments, termination of housing assistance payments and termination of the contract).
- (4) Housing assistance payments shall only be paid to the owner while the family is residing in the contract unit during the term of the HAP contract. The PHA shall not pay a housing assistance payment to the owner for any month after the month when the family moves out.
- b. **Owner compliance with HAP contract** Unless the owner has complied with all provisions of the HAP contract, the owner does not have a right to receive housing assistance payments under the HAP contract.
- c. Amount of PHA payment to owner
  - (1) The amount of the monthly PHA housing assistance payment to the owner shall be determined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements for a tenancy under the voucher program.
  - (2) The amount of the PHA housing assistance payment is subject to change during the HAP contract term in accordance with HUD requirements. The PHA must notify the family and the owner of any changes in the amount of the housing assistance payment.
  - (3) The housing assistance payment for the first month of the HAP contract term shall be prorated for a partial month.
- d. **Application of payment** The monthly housing assistance payment shall be credited against the monthly rent to owner for the contract unit.

#### e. Limit of PHA responsibility

- (1) The PHA is only responsible for making housing assistance payments to the owner in accordance with the HAP contract and HUD requirements for a tenancy under the voucher program.
- (2) The PHA shall not pay any portion of the rent to owner in excess of the housing assistance payment. The PHA shall not pay any other claim by the owner against the family.
- f. **Overpayment to owner** If the PHA determines that the owner is not entitled to the housing assistance payment or any part of it, the PHA, in addition to other remedies, may deduct the amount of the overpayment from any amounts due the owner (including amounts due under any other Section 8 assistance contract).

### 8. Owner Certification

During the term of this contract, the owner certifies that:

- a. The owner is maintaining the contract unit and premises in accordance with the HQS.
- b. The contract unit is leased to the tenant. The lease includes the tenancy addendum (Part C of the HAP contract), and is in accordance with the HAP contract and program requirements. The owner has provided the lease to the PHA, including any revisions of the lease.
- c. The rent to owner does not exceed rents charged by the owner for rental of comparable unassisted units in the premises.
- d. Except for the rent to owner, the owner has not received and will not receive any payments or other consideration (from the family, the PHA, HUD, or any other public or private source) for rental of the contract unit during the HAP contract term.
- e. The family does not own or have any interest in the contract unit.
- f. To the best of the owner's knowledge, the members of the family reside in the contract unit, and the unit is the family's only residence.
- g. The owner (including a principal or other interested party) is not the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister, or brother of any member of the family, unless the PHA has determined (and has notified the owner and the family of such determination) that approving rental of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.

**9. Prohibition of Discrimination**. In accordance with applicable nondiscrimination and equal opportunity laws, statutes, Executive Orders, and regulations.

a. The owner must not discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex(including sexual orientation and gender identity), national origin, age, familial status, or disability in connection with the HAP contract. Eligibility for HUD's programs must be made without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

- b. The owner must cooperate with the PHA and HUD in conducting equal opportunity compliance reviews and complaint investigations in connection with the HAP contract.
- c. Violence Against Women Act. The owner must comply with the Violence Against Women Act, as amended, and HUD's implementing regulation at 24 CFR part 5, Subpart L, and program regulations.

### 10. Owner's Breach of HAP Contract

- a. Any of the following actions by the owner (including a principal or other interested party) is a breach of the HAP contract by the owner:
  - (1) If the owner has violated any obligation under the HAP contract, including the owner's obligation to maintain the unit in accordance with the HQS.
  - (2) If the owner has violated any obligation under any other housing assistance payments contract under Section 8.
  - (3) If the owner has committed fraud, bribery or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with any Federal housing assistance program.
  - (4) For projects with mortgages insured by HUD or loans made by HUD, if the owner has failed to comply with the regulations for the applicable mortgage insurance or loan program, with the mortgage or mortgage note, or with the regulatory agreement; or if the owner has committed fraud, bribery or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with the mortgage or loan.
  - (5) If the owner has engaged in any drug-related criminal activity or any violent criminal activity.
- b. If the PHA determines that a breach has occurred, the PHA may exercise any of its rights and remedies under the HAP contract, or any other available rights and remedies for such breach. The PHA shall notify the owner of such determination, including a brief statement of the reasons for the determination. The notice by the PHA to the owner may require the owner to take corrective action, as verified or determined by the PHA, by a deadline prescribed in the notice.
- c. The PHA's rights and remedies for owner breach of the HAP contract include recovery of overpayments, suspension of housing assistance payments, abatement or other reduction of housing assistance payments, termination of housing assistance payments, and termination of the HAP contract.
- d. The PHA may seek and obtain additional relief by judicial order or action, including specific performance, other injunctive relief or order for damages.
- e. Even if the family continues to live in the contract unit, the PHA may exercise any rights and remedies for owner breach of the HAP contract.
- f. The PHA's exercise or non-exercise of any right or remedy for owner breach of the HAP contract is not a

waiver of the right to exercise that or any other right or remedy at any time.

# 11. PHA and HUD Access to Premises and Owner's Records

- a. The owner must provide any information pertinent to the HAP contract that the PHA or HUD may reasonably require.
- b. The PHA, HUD and the Comptroller General of the United States shall have full and free access to the contract unit and the premises, and to all accounts and other records of the owner that are relevant to the HAP contract, including the right to examine or audit the records and to make copies.
- c. The owner must grant such access to computerized or other electronic records, and to any computers, equipment or facilities containing such records, and must provide any information or assistance needed to access the records.

# 12. Exclusion of Third Party Rights

- a. The family is not a party to or third party beneficiary of Part B of the HAP contract. The family may not enforce any provision of Part B, and may not exercise any right or remedy against the owner or PHA under Part B.
- b. The tenant or the PHA may enforce the tenancy addendum (Part C of the HAP contract) against the owner, and may exercise any right or remedy against the owner under the tenancy addendum.
- c. The PHA does not assume any responsibility for injury to, or any liability to, any person injured as a result of the owner's action or failure to act in connection with management of the contract unit or the premises or with implementation of the HAP contract, or as a result of any other action or failure to act by the owner.
- d. The owner is not the agent of the PHA, and the HAP contract does not create or affect any relationship between the PHA and any lender to the owner or any suppliers, employees, contractors or subcontractors used by the owner in connection with management of the contract unit or the premises or with implementation of the HAP contract.

# 13. Conflict of Interest

- a. "Covered individual" means a person or entity who is a member of any of the following classes:
  - (1) Any present or former member or officer of the PHA (except a PHA commissioner who is a participant in the program);
  - (2) Any employee of the PHA, or any contractor, sub-contractor or agent of the PHA, who formulates policy or who influences decisions with respect to the program;
  - (3) Any public official, member of a governing body, or State or local legislator, who exercises functions or responsibilities with respect to the program; or
  - (4) Any member of the Congress of the United States.

- b. A covered individual may not have any direct or indirect interest in the HAP contract or in any benefits or payments under the contract (including the interest of an immediate family member of such covered individual) while such person is a covered individual or during one year thereafter.
- c. "Immediate family member" means the spouse, parent (including a stepparent), child (including a stepchild), grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother (including a stepsister or stepbrother) of any covered individual.
- d. The owner certifies and is responsible for assuring that no person or entity has or will have a prohibited interest, at execution of the HAP contract, or at any time during the HAP contract term.
- e. If a prohibited interest occurs, the owner shall promptly and fully disclose such interest to the PHA and HUD.
- f. The conflict of interest prohibition under this section may be waived by the HUD field office for good cause.
- g. No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States or resident commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of the HAP contract or to any benefits which may arise from it.

# 14. Assignment of the HAP Contract

- a. The owner may not assign the HAP contract to a new owner without the prior written consent of the PHA.
- b. If the owner requests PHA consent to assign the HAP contract to a new owner, the owner shall supply any information as required by the PHA pertinent to the proposed assignment.
- c. The HAP contract may not be assigned to a new owner that is debarred, suspended or subject to a limited denial of participation under HUD regulations (see 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 24).
- d. The HAP contract may not be assigned to a new owner if HUD has prohibited such assignment because:
  - (1) The Federal government has instituted an administrative or judicial action against the owner or proposed new owner for violation of the Fair Housing Act or other Federal equal opportunity requirements, and such action is pending; or
  - (2) A court or administrative agency has determined that the owner or proposed new owner violated the Fair Housing Act or other Federal equal opportunity requirements.
- e. The HAP contract may not be assigned to a new owner if the new owner (including a principal or other interested party) is the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the family, unless the PHA has determined (and has notified the family of such determination) that approving the assignment, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.

- f. The PHA may deny approval to assign the HAP contract if the owner or proposed new owner (including a principal or other interested party):
  - (1) Has violated obligations under a housing assistance payments contract under Section 8;

(2) Has committed fraud, bribery or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with any Federal housing program;

(3) Has engaged in any drug-related criminal activity or any violent criminal activity;

(4) Has a history or practice of non-compliance with the HQS for units leased under the Section 8 tenant-based programs, or non-compliance with applicable housing standards for units leased with project-based Section 8 assistance or for units leased under any other Federal housing program;

(5) Has a history or practice of failing to terminate tenancy of tenants assisted under any Federally assisted housing program for activity engaged in by the tenant, any member of the household, a guest or another person under the control of any member of the household that:

- (a) Threatens the right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents;
- (b) Threatens the health or safety of other residents, of employees of the PHA, or of owner employees or other persons engaged in management of the housing;
- (c) Threatens the health or safety of, or the right to peaceful enjoyment of their residents by, persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises; or
- (d) Is drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity;
- (6) Has a history or practice of renting units that
- fail to meet State or local housing codes; or
- (7) Has not paid State or local real estate taxes, fines or assessments.
- g. The new owner must agree to be bound by and comply with the HAP contract. The agreement must be in writing, and in a form acceptable to the PHA. The new owner must give the PHA a copy of the executed agreement.

**15. Foreclosure.** In the case of any foreclosure, the immediate successor in interest in the property pursuant to the foreclosure shall assume such interest subject to the lease between the prior owner and the tenant and to the HAP contract between the prior owner and the PHA for the occupied unit. This provision does not affect any State or local law that provides longer time periods or other additional protections for tenants.

**16. Written Notices** Any notice by the PHA or the owner in connection with this contract must be in writing.

#### 17. Entire Agreement: Interpretation

a. The HAP contract contains the entire agreement between the owner and the PHA.

b The HAP contract shall be interpreted and implemented in accordance with all statutory requirements, and with all HUD requirements, including the HUD program regulations at 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 982.

#### 1. Section 8 Voucher Program

- a. The owner is leasing the contract unit to the tenant for occupancy by the tenant's family with assistance for a tenancy under the Section 8 housing choice voucher program (voucher program) of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- b. The owner has entered into a Housing Assistance Payments Contract (HAP contract) with the PHA under the voucher program. Under the HAP contract, the PHA will make housing assistance payments to the owner to assist the tenant in leasing the unit from the owner.

#### 2. Lease

- a. The owner has given the PHA a copy of the lease, including any revisions agreed by the owner and the tenant. The owner certifies that the terms of the lease are in accordance with all provisions of the HAP contract and that the lease includes the tenancy addendum.
- b. The tenant shall have the right to enforce the tenancy addendum against the owner. If there is any conflict between the tenancy addendum and any other provisions of the lease, the language of the tenancy addendum shall control.

#### 3. Use of Contract Unit

- a. During the lease term, the family will reside in the contract unit with assistance under the voucher program.
- b. The composition of the household must be approved by the PHA. The family must promptly inform the PHA of the birth, adoption or court-awarded custody of a child. Other persons may not be added to the household without prior written approval of the owner and the PHA.
- c. The contract unit may only be used for residence by the PHA-approved household members. The unit must be the family's only residence. Members of the household may engage in legal profit making activities incidental to primary use of the unit for residence by members of the family.
- d. The tenant may not sublease or let the unit.
- e. The tenant may not assign the lease or transfer the unit.

#### 4. Rent to Owner

- a. The initial rent to owner may not exceed the amount approved by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements.
- b. Changes in the rent to owner shall be determined by the provisions of the lease. However, the owner may not raise the rent during the initial term of the lease.
- c. During the term of the lease (including the initial term of the lease and any extension term), the rent to owner may at no time exceed:

- (1) The reasonable rent for the unit as most recently determined or redetermined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements, or
- (2) Rent charged by the owner for comparable unassisted units in the premises.

#### 5. Family Payment to Owner

- a. The family is responsible for paying the owner any portion of the rent to owner that is not covered by the PHA housing assistance payment.
- b. Each month, the PHA will make a housing assistance payment to the owner on behalf of the family in accordance with the HAP contract. The amount of the monthly housing assistance payment will be determined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements for a tenancy under the Section 8 voucher program.
- c. The monthly housing assistance payment shall be credited against the monthly rent to owner for the contract unit.
- d. The tenant is not responsible for paying the portion of rent to owner covered by the PHA housing assistance payment under the HAP contract between the owner and the PHA. A PHA failure to pay the housing assistance payment to the owner is not a violation of the lease. The owner may not terminate the tenancy for nonpayment of the PHA housing assistance payment.
- e. The owner may not charge or accept, from the family or from any other source, any payment for rent of the unit in addition to the rent to owner. Rent to owner includes all housing services, maintenance, utilities and appliances to be provided and paid by the owner in accordance with the lease.
- f. The owner must immediately return any excess rent payment to the tenant.

#### 6. Other Fees and Charges

- a. Rent to owner does not include cost of any meals or supportive services or furniture which may be provided by the owner.
- b. The owner may not require the tenant or family members to pay charges for any meals or supportive services or furniture which may be provided by the owner. Nonpayment of any such charges is not grounds for termination of tenancy.
- c. The owner may not charge the tenant extra amounts for items customarily included in rent to owner in the locality, or provided at no additional cost to unsubsidized tenants in the premises.

#### 7. Maintenance, Utilities, and Other Services

#### a. Maintenance

- (1) The owner must maintain the unit and premises in accordance with the HQS.
- (2) Maintenance and replacement (including redecoration) must be in accordance with the

standard practice for the building concerned as established by the owner.

- b. Utilities and appliances
  - (1) The owner must provide all utilities needed to comply with the HQS.
  - (2) The owner is not responsible for a breach of the HQS caused by the tenant's failure to:
    - (a) Pay for any utilities that are to be paid by the tenant.
    - (b) Provide and maintain any appliances that are to be provided by the tenant.
- c. **Family damage**. The owner is not responsible for a breach of the HQS because of damages beyond normal wear and tear caused by any member of the household or by a guest.
- d. **Housing services**. The owner must provide all housing services as agreed to in the lease.

#### 8. Termination of Tenancy by Owner

- a. **Requirements**. The owner may only terminate the tenancy in accordance with the lease and HUD requirements.
- b. **Grounds**. During the term of the lease (the initial term of the lease or any extension term), the owner may only terminate the tenancy because of:
  - (1) Serious or repeated violation of the lease;
  - (2) Violation of Federal, State, or local law that imposes obligations on the tenant in connection with the occupancy or use of the unit and the premises;
  - (3) Criminal activity or alcohol abuse (as provided in paragraph c); or
  - (4) Other good cause (as provided in paragraph d).

#### c. Criminal activity or alcohol abuse.

- (1) The owner may terminate the tenancy during the term of the lease if any member of the household, a guest or another person under a esident's control commits any of the following types of criminal activity:
  - (a) Any criminal activity that threatens the health or safety of, or the right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by, other residents (including property management staff residing on the premises);
  - (b) Any criminal activity that threatens the health, or safety of, or the right to peaceful enjoyment of their residences by, persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises;
  - (c) Any violent criminal activity on or near the premises; or
  - (d) Any drug-related criminal activity on or near the premises.
- (2) The owner may terminate the tenancy during the term of the lease if any member of the household is:
  - (a) Fleeing to avoid prosecution, or custody or confinement after conviction, for a crime, or attempt to commit a crime, that is a felony under the laws of the place from

which the individual flees, or that, in the case of the State of New Jersey, is a high misdemeanor; or

- (b) Violating a condition of probation or parole under Federal or State law.
- (3) The owner may terminate the tenancy for criminal activity by a household member in accordance with this section if the owner determines that the household member has committed the criminal activity, regardless of whether the household member has been arrested or convicted for such activity.
- (4) The owner may terminate the tenancy during the term of the lease if any member of the household has engaged in abuse of alcohol that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents.

#### d. Other good cause for termination of tenancy

- (1) During the initial lease term, other good cause for termination of tenancy must be something the family did or failed to do.
- (2) During the initial lease term or during any extension term, other good cause may include:
  - (a) Disturbance of neighbors,
  - (b) Destruction of property, or
  - (c) Living or housekeeping habits that cause damage to the unit or premises.
- (3) After the initial lease term, such good cause may include:
  - (a) The tenant's failure to accept the owner's offer of a new lease or revision;
  - (b) The owner's desire to use the unit for personal or family use or for a purpose other than use as a residential rental unit; or
  - (c) A business or economic reason for termination of the tenancy (such as sale of the property, renovation of the unit, the owner's desire to rent the unit for a higher rent).
- (4) The examples of other good cause in this paragraph do not preempt any State or local laws to the contrary.
- (5) In the case of an owner who is an immediate successor in interest pursuant to foreclosure during the term of the lease, requiring the tenant to vacate the property prior to sale shall not constitute other good cause, except that the owner may terminate the tenancy effective on the date of transfer of the unit to the owner if the owner:
  - (a) Will occupy the unit as a primary residence; and
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**Bifurcation**: Subject to any lease termination requirements or k. procedures prescribed by Federal, State, or local law, if any member of the Tenant's Household engages in criminal activity directly relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the Landlord may "bifurcate" the Lease, or remove that Household member from the Lease, without regard to whether that Household member is a signatory to the Lease, in order to evict, remove, or terminate the occupancy rights of that Household member without evicting, removing, or otherwise penalizing the victim of the criminal activity who is also a tenant or lawful occupant. Such eviction, removal, termination of occupancy rights, or termination of assistance shall be effected in accordance with the procedures prescribed by Federal, State, and local law for the termination of leases or assistance under the housing choice voucher program. 24 CFR 5.2009(a).

If the Landlord bifurcates the Lease to evict, remove, or terminate assistance to a household member, and that household member is the sole tenant eligible to receive assistance, the landlord shall provide any remaining tenants or residents a period of 30 calendar days from the date of bifurcation of the lease to:

- (1) Establish eligibility for the same covered housing program under which the evicted or terminated tenant was the recipient of assistance at the time of bifurcation of the lease;
- (2) Establish eligibility under another covered housing program; or
- (3) Find alternative housing.
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- m. Move with Continued Assistance: The public housing agency may not terminate assistance to a family or member of the family that moves out of a unit in violation of the lease, with or without prior notification to the public housing agency if such a move occurred to protect the health or safety of a family member who is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking; and who reasonably believed they were imminently threatened by harm from further violence if they remained in the dwelling unit, or if any family member has been the victim of sexual assault that occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the family's request to move.
  - (1) The move is needed to protect the health or safety of the family or family member who is or has been a victim of domestic violence dating violence, sexual assault or stalking; and
  - (2) The family or member of the family reasonably believes that he or she was threatened with imminent harm from further violence if he or she remained in the dwelling unit. However, any family member that has been the victim of a sexual assault that occurred on the premises during the

90-calendar day period preceding the family's move or request to move is not required to believe that he or she was threatened with imminent harm from further violence if he or she remained in the dwelling unit. 24 CFR 982.354

#### n. Confidentiality.

- (1) The Landlord shall maintain in strict confidence any information the Tenant (or someone acting on behalf of the Tenant) submits to the Landlord concerning incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, including the fact that the tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
- (2) The Landlord shall not allow any individual administering assistance on its behalf, or any persons within its employ, to have access to confidential information unless explicitly authorized by the Landlord for reasons that specifically call for these individuals to have access to the information pursuant to applicable Federal, State, or local law.
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#### **10.** Eviction by court action

The owner may only evict the tenant by a court action.

#### 11. Owner notice of grounds

- (1) At or before the beginning of a court action to evict the tenant, the owner must give the tenant a notice that specifies the grounds for termination of tenancy. The notice may be included in or combined with any owner eviction notice.
- (2) The owner must give the PHA a copy of any owner eviction notice at the same time the owner notifies the tenant.
- (3) Eviction notice means a notice to vacate, or a complaint or other initial pleading used to begin an eviction action under State or local law.

### **12.** Lease: Relation to HAP Contract

If the HAP contract terminates for any reason, the lease terminates automatically.

#### 13. PHA Termination of Assistance

The PHA may terminate program assistance for the family for any grounds authorized in accordance with HUD requirements. If the PHA terminates program assistance for the family, the lease terminates automatically.

#### 14. Family Move Out

The tenant must notify the PHA and the owner before the family moves out of the unit.

#### **15. Security Deposit**

a. The owner may collect a security deposit from the tenant. (However, the PHA may prohibit the owner from collecting a security deposit in excess of private market practice, or in excess of amounts charged by the owner to unassisted tenants. Any such PHA-required restriction must be specified in the HAP contract.)

- b. When the family moves out of the contract unit, the owner, subject to State and local law, may use the security deposit, including any interest on the deposit, as reimbursement for any unpaid rent payable by the tenant, any damages to the unit or any other amounts that the tenant owes under the lease.
- c. The owner must give the tenant a list of all items charged against the security deposit, and the amount of each item. After deducting the amount, if any, used to reimburse the owner, the owner must promptly refund the full amount of the unused balance to the tenant.

d. If the security deposit is not sufficient to cover amounts the tenant owes under the lease, the owner may collect the balance from the tenant.

#### 16. Prohibition of Discrimination

In accordance with applicable nondiscrimination and equal opportunity laws, statutes, Executive Orders, and regulations, the owner must not discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), national origin, age, familial status or disability in connection with the lease. Eligibility for HUD's programs must be made without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

#### 17. Conflict with Other Provisions of Lease

- a. The terms of the tenancy addendum are prescribed by HUD in accordance with Federal law and regulation, as a condition for Federal assistance to the tenant and tenant's family under the Section 8 voucher program.
- b. In case of any conflict between the provisions of the tenancy addendum as required by HUD, and any other provisions of the lease or any other agreement between the owner and the tenant, the requirements of the HUD-required tenancy addendum shall control.

### **18.** Changes in Lease or Rent

- a. The tenant and the owner may not make any change in the tenancy addendum. However, if the tenant and the owner agree to any other changes in the lease, such changes must be in writing, and the owner must immediately give the PHA a copy of such changes. The lease, including any changes, must be in accordance with the requirements of the tenancy addendum.
- b. In the following cases, tenant-based assistance shall not be continued unless the PHA has approved a new tenancy in accordance with program requirements and has executed a new HAP contract with the owner:
  - (1) If there are any changes in lease requirements governing tenant or owner responsibilities for utilities or appliances;
  - (2) If there are any changes in lease provisions governing the term of the lease;
  - (3) If the family moves to a new unit, even if the unit is in the same building or complex.
- c. PHA approval of the tenancy, and execution of a new HAP contract, are not required for agreed

changes in the lease other than as specified in paragraph b.

d. The owner must notify the PHA of any changes in the amount of the rent to owner at least sixty days before any such changes go into effect, and the amount of the rent to owner following any such agreed change may not exceed the reasonable rent for the unit as most recently determined or redetermined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements.

#### 19. Notices

Any notice under the lease by the tenant to the owner or by the owner to the tenant must be in writing.

#### **20.** Definitions

**Contract unit**. The housing unit rented by the tenant with assistance under the program.

**Family**. The persons who may reside in the unit with assistance under the program.

**HAP contract**. The housing assistance payments contract between the PHA and the owner. The PHA pays housing assistance payments to the owner in accordance with the HAP contract.

**Household**. The persons who may reside in the contract unit. The household consists of the family and any PHA-approved live-in aide. (A live-in aide is a person who resides in the unit to provide necessary supportive services for a member of the family who is a person with disabilities.)

**Housing quality standards (HQS)**. The HUD minimum quality standards for housing assisted under the Section 8 tenant-based programs.

HUD. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**HUD requirements**. HUD requirements for the Section 8 program. HUD requirements are issued by HUD headquarters, as regulations, Federal Register notices or other binding program directives.

**Lease**. The written agreement between the owner and the tenant for the lease of the contract unit to the tenant. The lease includes the tenancy addendum prescribed by HUD.

PHA. Public Housing Agency.

**Premises**. The building or complex in which the contract unit is located, including common areas and grounds.

Program. The Section 8 housing choice voucher program.

**Rent to owner**. The total monthly rent payable to the owner for the contract unit. The rent to owner is the sum of the portion of rent payable by the tenant plus the PHA housing assistance payment to the owner.

Section 8. Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 United States Code 1437f).

**Tenant**. The family member (or members) who leases the unit from the owner.

**Voucher program**. The Section 8 housing choice voucher program. Under this program, HUD provides funds to a PHA for rent subsidy on behalf of eligible families. The tenancy under the lease will be assisted with rent subsidy for a tenancy under the voucher program.

# **TENANCY ADDENDUM Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance Housing Choice Voucher Program** (To be attached to Tenant Lease)

**OMB Burden Statement.** The public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to be up to 0.5 hours, including the time for reading the contract. No information is collected on this form. The form is required to establish contract terms between the participant family and owner and is required to be an addendum to the lease (24 CFR § 982.308(f). Assurances of confidentiality are not provided under this collection. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions to reduce this burden, to the Office of Public and Indian Housing, US. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410. HUD may not conduct and sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid control number.

#### 1. Section 8 Voucher Program

- a. The owner is leasing the contract unit to the tenant for occupancy by the tenant's family with assistance for a tenancy under the Section 8 housing choice voucher program (voucher program) of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- b. The owner has entered into a Housing Assistance Payments Contract (HAP contract) with the PHA under the voucher program. Under the HAP contract, the PHA will make housing assistance payments to the owner to assist the tenant in leasing the unit from the owner.

#### 2. Lease

- a. The owner has given the PHA a copy of the lease, including any revisions agreed by the owner and the tenant. The owner certifies that the terms of the lease are in accordance with all provisions of the HAP contract and that the lease includes the tenancy addendum.
- b. The tenant shall have the right to enforce the tenancy addendum against the owner. If there is any conflict between the tenancy addendum and any other provisions of the lease, the language of the tenancy addendum shall control.

#### **3.** Use of Contract Unit

- a. During the lease term, the family will reside in the contract unit with assistance under the voucher program.
- b. The composition of the household must be approved by the PHA. The family must promptly inform the PHA of the birth, adoption or court-awarded custody of a child. Other persons may not be added to the household without prior written approval of the owner and the PHA.
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- e. The tenant may not assign the lease or transfer the unit.

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#### 5. Family Payment to Owner

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#### a. Maintenance

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- a. **Requirements**. The owner may only terminate the tenancy in accordance with the lease and HUD requirements.
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  - (3) Criminal activity or alcohol abuse (as provided in paragraph c); or
  - (4) Other good cause (as provided in paragraph d).

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- (1) The owner may terminate the tenancy during the term of the lease if any member of the household, a guest or another person under a resident's control commits any of the following types of criminal activity:
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  - (d) Any drug-related criminal activity on or near the premises.
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from which the individual flees, or that, in the case of the State of New Jersey, is a high misdemeanor; or

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#### d. Other good cause for termination of tenancy

- (1) During the initial lease term, other good cause for termination of tenancy must be something the family did or failed to do.
- (2) During the initial lease term or during any extension term, other good cause may include:
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  - (b) Destruction of property, or
  - (c) Living or housekeeping habits that cause damage to the unit or premises.
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- (4) The examples of other good cause in this paragraph do not preempt any State or local laws to the contrary.
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- j. **Emergency Transfer**: A tenant who is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking may request an emergency transfer in accordance with the PHA's emergency transfer plan. 24 CFR 5.2005(e). The PHA's emergency transfer plan must be made available upon request, and incorporate strict confidentiality measures to ensure that the PHA does not disclose a tenant's dwelling unit location to a person who committed or threatened to commit an act of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against the tenant;

For transfers in which the tenant would not be considered a new applicant, the PHA must ensure that a request for an emergency transfer receives, at a minimum, any applicable additional priority that is already provided to other types of emergency transfer requests. For transfers in which the tenant would be considered a new applicant, the plan must include policies for assisting a tenant with this transfer.

k. Bifurcation: Subject to any lease termination requirements or procedures prescribed by Federal, State, or local law, if any member of the Tenant's Household engages in criminal activity directly relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the Landlord may "bifurcate" the Lease, or remove that Household member from the Lease. without regard to whether that Household member is a signatory to the Lease, in order to evict, remove, or terminate the occupancy rights of that Household member without evicting, removing, or otherwise penalizing the victim of the criminal activity who is also a tenant or lawful occupant. Such eviction, removal, termination of occupancy rights, or termination of assistance shall be effected in accordance with the procedures prescribed by Federal, State, and local law for the termination of leases or assistance under the housing choice voucher program. 24 CFR 5.2009(a).

If the Landlord bifurcates the Lease to evict, remove, or terminate assistance to a household member, and that household member is the sole tenant eligible to receive assistance, the landlord shall provide any remaining tenants or residents a period of 30 calendar days from the date of bifurcation of the lease to:

- (1) Establish eligibility for the same covered housing program under which the evicted or terminated tenant was the recipient of assistance at the time of bifurcation of the lease;
- (2) Establish eligibility under another covered housing program; or
- (3) Find alternative housing.
- 1. **Family Break-up:** If the family break-up results from an occurrence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the PHA must ensure that the victim retains assistance. 24 CFR 982.315.
- m. Move with Continued Assistance: The public housing agency may not terminate assistance to a family or member of the family that moves out of a unit in violation of the lease, with or without prior notification to the public housing agency if such a move occurred to protect the health or safety of a family member who is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking; and who reasonably believed they were imminently threatened by harm from further violence if they remained in the dwelling unit, or if any family member has been the victim of sexual assault that occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the family's request to move.
  - (1) The move is needed to protect the health or safety of the family or family member who is or has been a victim of domestic violence dating violence, sexual assault or stalking; and
  - (2) The family or member of the family reasonably believes that he or she was threatened with imminent harm from further violence if he or she remained in the dwelling unit. However, any family member that has been the victim of a sexual assault that occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar day period preceding the family's move or request to move is not required to believe that he or she was threatened with imminent harm from

further violence if he or she remained in the dwelling unit. 24 CFR 982.354.

- n. Confidentiality.
  - (1) The Landlord shall maintain in strict confidence any information the Tenant (or someone acting on behalf of the Tenant) submits to the Landlord concerning incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, including the fact that the tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
  - (2) The Landlord shall not allow any individual administering assistance on its behalf, or any persons within its employ, to have access to confidential information unless explicitly authorized by the Landlord for reasons that specifically call for these individuals to have access to the information pursuant to applicable Federal, State, or local law.
  - (3) The Landlord shall not enter confidential information into any shared database or disclose such information to any other entity or individual, except to the extent that the disclosure is requested or consented to in writing by the individual in a time-limited release; required for use in an eviction proceeding; or is required by applicable law.

### **10.** Eviction by court action

The owner may only evict the tenant by a court action.

### 11. Owner notice of grounds

- a. At or before the beginning of a court action to evict the tenant, the owner must give the tenant a notice that specifies the grounds for termination of tenancy. The notice may be included in or combined with any owner eviction notice.
- b. The owner must give the PHA a copy of any owner eviction notice at the same time the owner notifies the tenant.
- c. Eviction notice means a notice to vacate, or a complaint or other initial pleading used to begin an eviction action under State or local law.

### **12. Lease: Relation to HAP Contract**

If the HAP contract terminates for any reason, the lease terminates automatically.

### 13. PHA Termination of Assistance

The PHA may terminate program assistance for the family for any grounds authorized in accordance with HUD requirements. If the PHA terminates program assistance for the family, the lease terminates automatically.

### 14. Family Move Out

The tenant must notify the PHA and the owner before the family moves out of the unit.

### 15. Security Deposit

- a. The owner may collect a security deposit from the tenant. (However, the PHA may prohibit the owner from collecting a security deposit in excess of private market practice, or in excess of amounts charged by the owner to unassisted tenants. Any such PHA-required restriction must be specified in the HAP contract.)
- b. When the family moves out of the contract unit, the owner, subject to State and local law, may use the

security deposit, including any interest on the deposit, as reimbursement for any unpaid rent payable by the tenant, any damages to the unit or any other amounts that the tenant owes under the lease.

- c. The owner must give the tenant a list of all items charged against the security deposit, and the amount of each item. After deducting the amount, if any, used to reimburse the owner, the owner must promptly refund the full amount of the unused balance to the tenant.
- d. If the security deposit is not sufficient to cover amounts the tenant owes under the lease, the owner may collect the balance from the tenant.

#### 16. Prohibition of Discrimination

In accordance with applicable nondiscrimination and equal opportunity laws, statutes, Executive Orders, and regulations, the owner must not discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), national origin, age, familial status or disability in connection with the lease. Eligibility for HUD's programs must be made without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status.

#### **17.** Conflict with Other Provisions of Lease

- a. The terms of the tenancy addendum are prescribed by HUD in accordance with Federal law and regulation, as a condition for Federal assistance to the tenant and tenant's family under the Section 8 voucher program.
- b. In case of any conflict between the provisions of the tenancy addendum as required by HUD, and any other provisions of the lease or any other agreement between the owner and the tenant, the requirements of the HUD-required tenancy addendum shall control.

#### 18. Changes in Lease or Rent

- a. The tenant and the owner may not make any change in the tenancy addendum. However, if the tenant and the owner agree to any other changes in the lease, such changes must be in writing, and the owner must immediately give the PHA a copy of such changes. The lease, including any changes, must be in accordance with the requirements of the tenancy addendum.
- b. In the following cases, tenant-based assistance shall not be continued unless the PHA has approved a new tenancy in accordance with program requirements and has executed a new HAP contract with the owner:
  - (1) If there are any changes in lease requirements governing tenant or owner responsibilities for utilities or appliances;
  - (2) If there are any changes in lease provisions governing the term of the lease;
  - (3) If the family moves to a new unit, even if the unit is in the same building or complex.
- c. PHA approval of the tenancy, and execution of a new HAP contract, are not required for agreed changes in the lease other than as specified in paragraph b.
- d. The owner must notify the PHA of any changes in the amount of the rent to owner at least sixty days

before any such changes go into effect, and the amount of the rent to owner following any such agreed change may not exceed the reasonable rent for the unit as most recently determined or redetermined by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements.

#### 19. Notices

Any notice under the lease by the tenant to the owner or by the owner to the tenant must be in writing.

#### 20. Definitions

**Contract unit**. The housing unit rented by the tenant with assistance under the program.

**Family**. The persons who may reside in the unit with assistance under the program.

**HAP contract**. The housing assistance payments contract between the PHA and the owner. The PHA pays housing assistance payments to the owner in accordance with the HAP contract.

**Household**. The persons who may reside in the contract unit. The household consists of the family and any PHA-approved live-in aide. (A live-in aide is a person who resides in the unit to provide necessary supportive services for a member of the family who is a person with disabilities.)

**Housing quality standards (HQS)**. The HUD minimum quality standards for housing assisted under the Section 8 tenant-based programs.

HUD. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**HUD requirements**. HUD requirements for the Section 8 program. HUD requirements are issued by HUD headquarters, as regulations, Federal Register notices or other binding program directives.

**Lease**. The written agreement between the owner and the tenant for the lease of the contract unit to the tenant. The lease includes the tenancy addendum prescribed by HUD.

PHA. Public Housing Agency.

**Premises**. The building or complex in which the contract unit is located, including common areas and grounds.

Program. The Section 8 housing choice voucher program.

**Rent to owner**. The total monthly rent payable to the owner for the contract unit. The rent to owner is the sum of the portion of rent payable by the tenant plus the PHA housing assistance payment to the owner.

**Section 8**. Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 United States Code 1437f).

**Tenant**. The family member (or members) who leases the unit from the owner.

**Voucher program**. The Section 8 housing choice voucher program. Under this program, HUD provides funds to a PHA for rent subsidy on behalf of eligible families. The tenancy under the lease will be assisted with rent subsidy for a tenancy under the voucher program.

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# DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR SECTION 8 LANDLORDS

I hereby authorize Campbell County Department of Housing to initiate credit entries to my account (identified below) in the bank named below and authorize the bank to credit the same to my account.

This authority is to remain in effect until revoked by me in writing or by termination of my rental contract with the Campbell County Department of Housing.

# **CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Checking Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Transit/ABA Number of Bank: \_\_\_\_\_

You must attach a voided check or copy of a check to this form.

# SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Checking Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Transit/ABA Number of Bank: \_\_\_\_\_

You must contact the bank to obtain the correct transit/ABA number on letterhead and submit with this form. Deposit slips may have invalid transit/aba numbers.

Landlord Print Name

Signature

Date

Complete Mailing Address

Email Address

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

|                                         | 2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                 |                                                                                                                                       |
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| e.<br>ns on page 3.                     | <ul> <li>3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Che following seven boxes.</li> <li>Individual/sole proprietor or C Corporation S Corporation Partnership single-member LLC</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | eck only <b>one</b> of the                                      | 4 Exemptions (codes apply only to<br>certain entities, not individuals; see<br>instructions on page 3):<br>Exempt payee code (if any) |
| Print or type.<br>Specific Instructions | Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partner Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member ov LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the canother LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its own<br>Other (see instructions) ► | vner. Do not check<br>owner of the LLC is<br>le-member LLC that | Exemption from FATCA reporting<br>code (if any)<br>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)                                  |
| See <b>Sp</b>                           | 5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Requester's name a                                              | nd address (optional)                                                                                                                 |
|                                         | 6 City, state, and ZIP code                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                 |                                                                                                                                       |
|                                         | 7 List account number(s) here (optional)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                 |                                                                                                                                       |
| Par                                     | Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                 |                                                                                                                                       |
| backu<br>reside                         | your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to ave<br>p withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for<br>nt alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other<br>s, it is your employer identification number (EN). If you do not have a number see How to ge                                                                                                                                              | or a                                                            | urity number                                                                                                                          |

| Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.                                  |

Certification Part II

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

| Sign | Signature of  |  |  |
|------|---------------|--|--|
| Here | U.S. person > |  |  |

TIN. later.

# **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

# **Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

· Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)

or

Employer identification number

• Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)

Date 🕨

- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest),
- 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

**Note:** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

• An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

• A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

 In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

• In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

• In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

### **Backup Withholding**

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

#### Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

# What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

# **Updating Your Information**

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### **Penalties**

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

# **Specific Instructions**

#### Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

**Note: ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

#### Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

#### Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

| IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | THEN check the box for                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Corporation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Corporation                                                                                                                              |
| <ul> <li>Individual</li> <li>Sole proprietorship, or</li> <li>Single-member limited liability<br/>company (LLC) owned by an<br/>individual and disregarded for U.S.<br/>federal tax purposes.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                             | Individual/sole proprietor or single-<br>member LLC                                                                                      |
| <ul> <li>LLC treated as a partnership for<br/>U.S. federal tax purposes,</li> <li>LLC that has filed Form 8832 or<br/>2553 to be taxed as a corporation,<br/>or</li> <li>LLC that is disregarded as an<br/>entity separate from its owner but<br/>the owner is another LLC that is<br/>not disregarded for U.S. federal tax<br/>purposes.</li> </ul> | Limited liability company and enter<br>the appropriate tax classification.<br>(P= Partnership; C= C corporation;<br>or S= S corporation) |
| Partnership                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Partnership                                                                                                                              |
| Trust/estate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Trust/estate                                                                                                                             |

#### Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

#### Exempt payee code.

• Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

• Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

4-A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

#### 5-A corporation

6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

 $7\!-\!A$  futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

12-A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

| IF the payment is for                                                                        | THEN the payment is exempt                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                                                                                              | for                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |  |
| Interest and dividend payments                                                               | All exempt payees except for 7                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |  |
| Broker transactions                                                                          | Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6<br>through 11 and all C corporations.<br>S corporations must not enter an<br>exempt payee code because they<br>are exempt only for sales of<br>noncovered securities acquired<br>prior to 2012. |  |  |  |
| Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends                                         | Exempt payees 1 through 4                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |
| Payments over \$600 required to be<br>reported and direct sales over<br>\$5,000 <sup>1</sup> | Generally, exempt payees<br>1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>                                                                                                                                                                            |  |  |  |
| Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions              | Exempt payees 1 through 4                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D-A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E-A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F-A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

H-A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K-A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

**Note:** You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

#### Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

#### Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

### Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note:** See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester,* later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.SSA.gov.* You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/Businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to *www.irs.gov/Forms* to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to *www.irs.gov/OrderForms* to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note:** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

# Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

# What Name and Number To Give the Requester

| For this type of account:                                                                                                | Give name and SSN of:                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Individual                                                                                                            | The individual                                                                                          |
| 2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI                                    | The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup> |
| 3. Two or more U.S. persons<br>(joint account maintained by an FFI)                                                      | Each holder of the account                                                                              |
| 4. Custodial account of a minor<br>(Uniform Gift to Minors Act)                                                          | The minor <sup>2</sup>                                                                                  |
| 5. a. The usual revocable savings trust<br>(grantor is also trustee)                                                     | The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup>                                                                        |
| b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law                                            | The actual owner <sup>1</sup>                                                                           |
| 6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual                                                      | The owner <sup>3</sup>                                                                                  |
| 7. Grantor trust filing under Optional<br>Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see<br>Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)<br>(A)) | The grantor*                                                                                            |
| For this type of account:                                                                                                | Give name and EIN of:                                                                                   |
| 8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual                                                                         | The owner                                                                                               |
| 9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust                                                                               | Legal entity <sup>4</sup>                                                                               |
| 10. Corporation or LLC electing<br>corporate status on Form 8832 or<br>Form 2553                                         | The corporation                                                                                         |
| 11. Association, club, religious,<br>charitable, educational, or other tax-<br>exempt organization                       | The organization                                                                                        |
| 12. Partnership or multi-member LLC                                                                                      | The partnership                                                                                         |
| 13. A broker or registered nominee                                                                                       | The broker or nominee                                                                                   |

| For this type of account:                                                                                                                                                                                  | Give name and EIN of: |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 14. Account with the Department of<br>Agriculture in the name of a public<br>entity (such as a state or local<br>government, school district, or<br>prison) that receives agricultural<br>program payments | The public entity     |
| <ol> <li>Grantor trust filing under the Form<br/>1041 Filing Method or the Optional<br/>Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see<br/>Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))</li> </ol>                             | The trust             |

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

\*Note: The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Note:** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

# Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- · Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

**Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.** Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft. The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at *spam@uce.gov* or report them at *www.ftc.gov/complaint*. You can contact the FTC at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see *www.ldentityTheft.gov* and Pub. 5027.

Visit *www.irs.gov/ldentityTheft* to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

# **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

Utility Allowance Schedule

See Public Reporting and Instructions on back.

U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

| The following allowances are used to determine the total cost of | • • • • • • • • • |
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| Locality/PHA<br>Campbell County Dept, of Hous | ing/Campbell and Pendleton Counties (e | xcludes Newport) | Unit Type<br>Multifamily,         | Row/Town,               | Shared Walls            |      | nm/dd/yyyy)<br>2024 |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|---------------------|
| Utility or Service                            | Fuel Type                              | 0 BR             | 1 BR                              | 2 BR                    | 3 BR                    | 4 BR | 5 BR                |
| Heating                                       | Natural Gas                            | 20               | 30                                | 40                      | 61                      | 85   | 91                  |
|                                               | Bottled Gas                            | 28               | 42                                | 50                      | 90                      | 102  | 110                 |
|                                               | Electric                               | 18               | 28                                | 34                      | 60                      | 69   | 73                  |
|                                               | Electric – Heat Pump                   | 8                | 12                                | 14                      | 26                      | 29   | 31                  |
|                                               | Fuel Oil                               | 41               | 62                                | 63                      | 138                     | 157  | 171                 |
|                                               | Other                                  |                  |                                   |                         |                         |      |                     |
| Cooking                                       | Natural Gas                            | 6                | 7                                 | 9                       | 16                      | 20   | 21                  |
|                                               | Bottled Gas                            | 11               | 13                                | 19                      | 28                      | 39   | 42                  |
|                                               | Electric                               | 3                | 6                                 | 7                       | 14                      | 17   | 18                  |
|                                               | Other                                  |                  |                                   |                         |                         |      |                     |
| Other Electric                                |                                        | 12               | 14                                | 16                      | 28                      | 20   | 30                  |
|                                               | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  | 7                |                                   |                         |                         | 29   |                     |
| Air Conditioning                              |                                        |                  | 8                                 | 9                       | 20                      | 22   | 23                  |
| Water Heating                                 | Natural Gas                            | 13               | 16                                | 21                      | 43                      | 47   | 50                  |
|                                               | Bottled Gas                            | 21               | 31                                | 36                      | 72                      | 79   | 85                  |
|                                               | Electric                               | 12               | 17                                | 20                      | 43                      | 46   | 49                  |
|                                               | Electric – Heat Pump                   | 8                | 12                                | 14                      | 26                      | 29   | 31                  |
|                                               | Fuel Oil                               | 39               | 60                                | 66                      | 138                     | 157  | 171                 |
| Water                                         |                                        | 18               | 18                                | 19                      | 24                      | 27   | 32                  |
| Sewer                                         |                                        | 19               | 21                                | 26                      | 30                      | 32   | 33                  |
| Trash Collection                              |                                        | 16               | 16                                | 16                      | 16                      | 16   | 16                  |
| Other – specify                               |                                        | · ·              | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                         |                         | -    |                     |
| Range/Microwave                               |                                        | 8                | 8                                 | 8                       | 8                       | 8    | 8                   |
| Refrigerator                                  |                                        | 10               | 10                                | 10                      | 10                      | 10   | 10                  |
|                                               | nces – May be used by the              | family to co     |                                   |                         |                         | <br> | Allowance           |
| searching for a unit.<br>Head of Household N  |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Heating                 |      |                     |
| Head of Household N                           | ame                                    |                  |                                   | 21 - 21 <del>72</del> 8 | Cooking<br>Other Electr | ic   |                     |
|                                               |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Air Conditio            |      |                     |
| Unit Address                                  |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Water Heat              | ing  |                     |
|                                               | r                                      |                  |                                   |                         | Water                   |      |                     |
|                                               |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Sewer                   |      |                     |
|                                               |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Trash Collec            | tion |                     |
| Number of Bedrooin:                           |                                        | <del>.</del>     |                                   |                         | Other                   |      |                     |
|                                               | •                                      |                  |                                   |                         | Refrigerator            |      | <u> </u>            |
|                                               |                                        |                  |                                   |                         | Total                   |      | <u> </u>            |

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# Utility Allowance Schedule

# U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development

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See Public Reporting and Instructions on back.

Office of Public and Indian Housing

| The following allowances are used | to determine the total cost of tenant-furnished ut | tilities and appliances. |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                   |                                                    |                          |

| Locality/PHA<br>Campbell County Dept. of Housin | g/Campbell and Pendleton Counties (Ex | cludes Newport) | Unit Type<br>Single Family [ | Owelling, Manuf | actured, Stand A   |               | 1m/dd/yyyy)<br>2024 |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Utility or Service                              | Fuel Type                             | 0 BR            | 1 BR                         | 2 BR            | 3 BR               | 4 BR          | 5 BR                |
| Heating                                         | Natural Gas                           | 21              | 24                           | 43              | 50                 | 88            | 97                  |
|                                                 | Bottled Gas                           | 32              | 46                           | 56              | 90                 | 102           | 110                 |
|                                                 | Electric                              | 18              | 31                           | 40              | 71                 | 78            | 93                  |
| ·                                               | Electric – Heat Pump                  | 9               | 13                           | 16              | 31                 | 32            | 38                  |
|                                                 | Fuel Oil                              | 43              | 62                           | 66              | 142                | 161           | 175                 |
|                                                 | Other                                 |                 |                              |                 |                    |               |                     |
| Cooking                                         | Natural Gas                           | 6               | 8                            | 9               | 18                 | 28            | 35                  |
|                                                 | Bottled Gas                           | 11              | 14                           | 22              | 29                 | 41            | 43                  |
|                                                 | Electric                              | 6               | 7                            | 8               | 17                 | 19            | 21                  |
| <b></b>                                         | Other                                 |                 |                              |                 |                    |               | 1                   |
| Other Electric                                  |                                       | 16              | 17                           | 18              | 30                 | 31            | 34                  |
| Air Conditioning                                |                                       | 7               | 8                            | 9               | 20                 | 22            | 23                  |
| Water Heating                                   | Natural Gas                           | 15              | 18                           | 30              | 53                 | 56            | 61                  |
|                                                 | Bottled Gas                           | 22              | 31                           | 37              | 74                 | 81            | 87                  |
|                                                 | Electric                              | 16              | 18                           | 22              | 49                 | 50            | 56                  |
|                                                 | Electric – Heat Pump                  | 9               | 13                           | 16              | 31                 | 32            | 38                  |
| · · · ·                                         | Fuel Oil                              | 40              | 62                           | 67              | 142                | 161           | 175                 |
| Water                                           |                                       | 18              | 18                           | 19              | 24                 | 27            | 32                  |
| Sewer                                           |                                       | 19              | 21                           | 26              | 30                 | 32            | 33                  |
| Trash Collection                                |                                       | 16              | 16                           | 16              | 16                 | 16            | 16                  |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              | 10              |                    | 10            | 10                  |
| Other – specify                                 |                                       | 0               | 0                            | 0               | 0                  | 0             | 0                   |
| Range/Microwave                                 |                                       | 8               | 8                            | 8               | 8                  | 8             | 8                   |
| Refrigerator                                    |                                       | 10              | 10                           | 10              | 10                 | 10            | 10                  |
| Actual Family Allowa<br>searching for a unit.   | <b>inces</b> – May be used by the     | e family to co  | mpute allowa                 | ance while      |                    | ice/Appliance | Allowance           |
| Head of Household N                             | lame                                  |                 |                              |                 | Heating<br>Cooking |               |                     |
|                                                 | iurric.                               |                 |                              |                 | Other Elect        | ric           |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Air Conditio       |               |                     |
| Unit Address                                    |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Water Heat         |               |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Water              |               |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Sewer              |               |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Trash Colle        | ction         |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Other              |               |                     |
| Number of Bedrooms                              | 5                                     |                 |                              |                 | Range/Mic          | rowave        |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Refrigerato        |               |                     |
|                                                 |                                       |                 |                              |                 | Total              |               | 1                   |

# **Campbell County Department of Housing**

CCDH administers the Housing Choice Voucher Rental Assistance Program

for

Campbell and Pendleton Counties (excluding the City of Newport)

Effective October 1, 2024, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has designated CCDH's jurisdiction as a mandatory Small Area Fair Market Rent (SAFMR) area. In areas designated by HUD, Housing Authorities are required to use SAFMRs to set Housing Choice Voucher payment standards. HUD defines Small Areas using ZIP Codes within a metropolitan area or non-metropolitan county.

Per HUD, using ZIP codes as the basis for SAFMRs provides tenants with greater ability to move into "Opportunity Neighborhoods" with jobs, public transportation, and good schools. They also provide for multiple payment standards within a metropolitan area or non-metropolitan county, and they are likely to reduce the need for extensive market area rent reasonableness studies. Lastly, HUD hopes that setting FMRs for each ZIP code will reduce overpayment in lower-rent areas.

Payment standards are used to calculate the monthly housing assistance payment and are established in accordance with HUD published FMRs and the number of bedrooms approved based on occupancy standards. When an owner requests a contract rent on a unit, CCDH determines whether the rent is reasonable by comparing it with several comparable unassisted units nearby. Once the contract rent is approved, CCDH adds the utility allowance of the selected unit to the contract rent to determine the gross rent.

If the gross rent of the unit selected is more than the payment standard for the family's approved unit size, our office must ensure the family's share of rent will not exceed 40% of their monthly adjusted income. If the family's share of rent is less than 40% of their monthly adjusted income, the rent is determined to be affordable.

Payment standards for each zip code in our jurisdiction are listed below. The bedroom (BR) size for which you qualify can be found on your Housing Choice Voucher.

| City or Cities<br>And Zip Code                        | OBR    | 1BR    | 2BR    | 3BR                 | 4BR    | 5BR    | 6BR    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Alexandria<br>41001                                   | \$968  | \$1089 | \$1408 | \$1870              | \$2068 | \$2162 | \$2444 |
| Wilder<br>Southgate<br>Woodlawn<br>41071              | \$880  | \$979  | \$1276 | \$1694              | \$1870 | \$1955 | \$2210 |
| Bellevue<br>41073                                     | \$902  | \$1023 | \$1320 | \$1749              | \$1936 | \$2024 | \$2288 |
| Dayton<br>41074                                       | \$902  | \$1012 | \$1309 | \$1738              | \$1914 | \$2001 | \$2262 |
| Ft. Thomas<br>41075                                   | \$979  | \$1100 | \$1419 | \$1881              | \$2079 | \$2173 | \$2457 |
| Crestview<br>Cold Spring<br>Highland Heights<br>41076 | \$1001 | \$1133 | \$1463 | \$1936              | \$2145 | \$2242 | \$2535 |
| Melbourne<br>41059                                    | \$803  | \$913  | \$1188 | \$1573              | \$1749 | \$1828 | \$2067 |
| California<br>Mentor<br>41007                         | \$1012 | \$1133 | \$1474 | \$1 <del>9</del> 58 | \$2156 | \$2254 | \$2548 |
| Silver Grove<br>41085                                 | \$803  | \$913  | \$1188 | \$1573              | \$1749 | \$1828 | \$2067 |
| Berry<br>41003                                        | \$803  | \$913  | \$1188 | \$1573              | \$1749 | \$1828 | \$2067 |
| Butler<br>41006                                       | \$825  | \$924  | \$1199 | \$1595              | \$1760 | \$1840 | \$2080 |
| Falmouth<br>41040                                     | \$836  | \$946  | \$1221 | \$1617              | \$1793 | \$1874 | \$2119 |

# **Request for Tenancy Approval**

# U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development

Housing Choice Voucher Program

Office of Public and Indian Housing

The public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to be 30 minutes, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect the information on this form by Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f). Form is only valid if it includes an OMB Control Number. HUD is committed to protecting the privacy of individuals' information stored electronically or in paper form, in accordance with federal privacy laws, guidance, and best practices. HUD expects its third-party business partners, including Public Housing Authorities, who collect, use maintain, or disseminate HUD information to protect the privacy of that information in Accordance with applicable law.

When the participant selects a unit, the owner of the unit completes this form to provide the PHA with information about the unit. The information is used to determine if the unit is eligible for rental assistance. HUD will not disclose this information except when required by law for civil, criminal, or regulatory investigations and prosecutions.

| 1. Name of Public Housing Agency (PHA)                                                                                |  | 2. Address of Unit (street address, unit #, city, state, zip code) |                                                                      |                            |                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 3. Requested Lease Start       4. Number of Bedrooms       5. Year Constructed         Date       5. Year Constructed |  |                                                                    | 6. Proposed Rent                                                     | 7. Security Deposit<br>Amt | 8. Date Unit Available for Inspection |
| 9. Structure Type                                                                                                     |  |                                                                    | 10. If this unit is subsidized, indicate type of subsidy:            |                            |                                       |
| Single Family Detached (one family under one roof)                                                                    |  |                                                                    | Section 202 Section 221(d)(3)(BMIR)                                  |                            |                                       |
| Semi-Detached (duplex, attached on one side)                                                                          |  |                                                                    | Tax Credit HOME                                                      |                            |                                       |
| Rowhouse/Townhouse (attached on two sides)                                                                            |  |                                                                    | Section 236 (insured or uninsured)                                   |                            |                                       |
| Low-rise apartment building (4 stories or fewer)                                                                      |  |                                                                    | Section 515 Rural Development                                        |                            |                                       |
| High-rise apartment building (5+ stories)                                                                             |  |                                                                    | Other (Describe Other Subsidy, including any state or local subsidy) |                            |                                       |
| Manufactured Home (mobile home)                                                                                       |  |                                                                    |                                                                      |                            |                                       |

### 11. Utilities and Appliances

The owner shall provide or pay for the utilities/appliances indicated below by an " $\mathbf{0}$ ". The tenant shall provide or pay for the utilities/appliances indicated below by a " $\mathbf{T}$ ". Unless otherwise specified below, the owner shall pay for all utilities and provide the refrigerator and range/microwave.

| Item             | Specify fuel type | 9           |          |             |       |       | Paid by     |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Heating          | □ Natural gas     | Bottled gas | Electric | 🗌 Heat Pump | 🗌 Oil | Other |             |
| Cooking          | □ Natural gas     | Bottled gas | Electric |             |       | Other |             |
| Water Heating    | □ Natural gas     | Bottled gas | Electric |             | 🗌 Oil | Other |             |
| Other Electric   |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Water            |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Sewer            |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Trash Collection |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Air Conditioning |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Other (specify)  |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
|                  |                   |             |          |             |       |       | Provided by |
| Refrigerator     |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |
| Range/Microwave  |                   |             |          |             |       |       |             |

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# 12. Owner's Certifications

a. The program regulation requires the PHA to certify that the rent charged to the housing choice voucher tenant is not more than the rent charged for other unassisted comparable units. Owners of projects with more than 4 units must complete the following section for most recently leased comparable unassisted units within the premises.

| Address and unit number | Date Rented | Rental Amount |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1.                      |             |               |
| 2.                      |             |               |
| 3.                      |             |               |

b. The owner (including a principal or other interested party) is not the parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the family, unless the PHA has determined (and has notified the owner and the family of such determination) that approving leasing of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.

- c. Check one of the following:
- Lead-based paint disclosure requirements do not apply because this property was built on or after January 1, 1978.
- ☐ The unit, common areas servicing the unit, and exterior painted surfaces associated with such unit or common areas have been found to be lead-based paint free by a lead-based paint inspector certified under the Federal certification program or under a federally accredited State certification program.

A completed statement is attached containing disclosure of known information on lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the unit, common areas or exterior painted surfaces, including a statement that the owner has provided the lead hazard information pamphlet to the family.

13. The PHA has not screened the family's behavior or suitability for tenancy. Such screening is the owner's responsibility.

14. The owner's lease must include word-for-word all provisions of the HUD tenancy addendum.

15. The PHA will arrange for inspection of the unit and will notify the owner and family if the unit is not approved.

| Print or Type Name of Owner/Owner Representative |  | Print or Type Name of Household Head |                   |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Owner/Owner Representative Signature             |  | Head of Household Signature          |                   |  |
| Business Address                                 |  | Present Address                      |                   |  |
| Telephone Number Date (mm/dd/yyyy)               |  | Telephone Number                     | Date (mm/dd/yyyy) |  |

# LANDLORD

Campbell County Department of Housing Please complete the entire form Information is used to determine comparable fair market value of this property

Year Constructed \_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Bedrooms \_\_\_\_\_\_ Square Footage \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Bathrooms \_\_\_\_\_ Full \_\_\_\_½\_\_\_\_

# PLEASE CIRCLE

| Property | Apartment Condo Low-Rise High-Rise House Mobile Hom<br>Townhouse/Villa Duplex Triplex Other | ne Row House |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Parking  | Street Driveway Parking Lot Carport Garage None<br>Assigned Unassigned Number of Spaces     |              |
| Lot Size | Less than ¼ Acre ¼ to ½ Acre ¾ to 1 Acre Greater than 1 Acre                                |              |

# **CHECK IF OWNER PROVIDED**

| Carpet             | Parking                 | Dryer                    |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Patio              | Window Screens          | Pest Control             |
| Porch              | Washer/Dryer Connection | Gated Community          |
| Deck               | Refrigerator            | Pool                     |
| Wood Stove         | Handicap Accessible     | Balcony                  |
| Playground         | Garage or Carport       | Window Blinds            |
| Storm Windows      | Garbage Disposal        | Basement                 |
| Laundry Facilities | Pets Allowed            | Trash Pickup             |
| Dishwasher         | Window Unit A/C         | Ceiling Fan(s)           |
| Fireplace          | Lawn Care               | Owner Pays All Utilities |
| Storage            | Washer                  |                          |
|                    |                         |                          |
| Type of Flooring:  |                         |                          |
|                    |                         |                          |

Please List Any/All Upgrades: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Rental History for the Request for Tenancy Approval

HUD requires the PHA to provide prospective owners with the family's current & prior address (as shown in PHA records) and the name and address (if known) of the owner at the family's current and prior addresses. HUD permits the PHA to provide owners with additional information, as long as the families are notified that the information will be provided, and the same type of information is provided to all owners.

| Applicant/Participant Name |  |
|----------------------------|--|
|                            |  |
| Current Address            |  |
|                            |  |
| Prior Address              |  |
|                            |  |
| Prior Address              |  |

I attest that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. I also understand that the Campbell County Department of Housing will provide a copy of this rental history to prospective landlords for both applicant and participants.

Signature(s) of Adult Household Members

| <br>Date |
|----------|
| <br>Date |
| <br>Date |
| <br>Date |



If you have questions regarding the policies, procedures, and regulations of the Campbell County Department of Housing please reference the agency's Administrative Plan at <u>www.campbellcountyky.gov</u>. If you are disabled and as a result of your disability you require a change in how CCDH communicates, presents information, or a change in venue for appointments, you may submit a request for a reasonable accommodation. We will review your request and respond within 10 business days. You have the right to request an interpreter. If negative action has been taken against an applicant or participant by the PHA in a circumstance where the Violence Against Women's Act (VAWA) should be considered, please notify the PHA of your concerns to determine whether a review is in order.