



## **Section 8 Housing Information Assistance Process**

- On April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 individuals can come into our office and pick up an application to get on the Section 8 list. We will have applications on the table in the lobby along with a sealed box to drop them in when they are completed.
- Income qualifications which will be attached to the drop off box so individuals determine if they are income eligible.
- It is a lottery system for choosing who receives the vouchers, it is NOT first come, first serve, so there is no reason to rush and get an application and drop it off.
- Applications will be accepted until June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.
- We will NOT mail or deliver applications to anyone. If you are unable to make it into the office you can send someone, anyone can pick up the application and drop it off.
- Applications will also be available at our outreach sites.
- If you have questions or need any additional information you may contact the Housing Authority of St. Louis County at 314-428-3200.

# HOUSING AUTHORITY OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY

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St. Louis, MO 63121

## FACT SHEET FOR SECTION 8 REGISTRANTS

Q: What is Section 8?

A: The Section 8 Voucher Program is designed to help low-income families pay their rent. The registrant must be 18 years of age or older at the time application is completed.

Q: How much rent will I pay?

A: You will pay approximately 30% of your adjusted gross income for rent.

Q: How can I register for Section 8?

A: Complete and submit one (1) registration to be entered in a random selection process (lottery). Since it is a lottery, there is no advantage in being the first to submit a registration card. **Incomplete registrations will not be considered.**

Q: Can I mail in my registration?

A: You can complete the registration at one of the registration sites and leave it there or take the registration with you and mail it to the Housing Authority. You may also bring the completed registration to the Housing Authority (between 8 a.m. & 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday) or leave it in the drop box if the office is closed.

Q: Why did the Housing Authority decide to use a "lottery"?

A: It's the fairest way to give out vouchers and house people within a reasonable amount of time.

Q: How long will the Housing Authority be accepting registrations?

A: We plan to accept registrations from **April 24, 2010** through **June 4, 2010**, or other publicized date. Registrations received after the closing date will not be considered.

Q: Can I register more than once?

A: No. Registrants with duplicate entries or who give false information will be disqualified.

Q: How will I know if I made it onto the waiting list?

A: All registrants will be notified by mail, within a reasonable amount of time, as to whether or not they were randomly picked to be on the waiting list.

Q: How long will it take for me to know if I made it onto the waiting list?

A: Once the waiting list is closed, all applicants must be entered into the computer and randomly selected through the lottery selection. This process should take approximately 3-4 months **after** the waiting list has closed.

**PLEASE NOTE: The person listed as head-of-household on registration card will be the applicant receiving the voucher.**

**Current Section 8 Income Guidelines**

**(Gross annual income must not exceed VERY LOW)**

Effective, April 7, 2009, income guidelines for applicants and participants on the Section 8 Program (and Public Housing Program) are as listed below:

<u>FAMILY SIZE</u>	<u>30% OF MEDIAN</u>	<u>LOW</u>	<u>VERY LOW</u>
1	\$14,250	\$38,000	\$23,750
2	16,300	43,450	27,150
3	18,300	48,850	30,550
4	20,350	54,300	33,950
5	22,000	58,650	36,650
6	23,600	63,000	39,400
7	25,250	67,350	42,100
8	26,850	71,700	44,800