

HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Omaha Housing Authority (OHA) will open the pre-application process for the Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher Program from **Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.** through **Monday, August 14, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. (noon).**



Applicants will have seven days to complete and submit their pre-application. The waitlist will not be created by a first-come, first-serve process. OHA has moved to a more equitable and inclusive solution that is easier for applicants and ensures the application is more accessible to a wider group of people. Upon the close of the pre-application period, the waitlist will be created by an **online lottery process**, selected from all applicants, at random.

The OHA Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher application process will be completely online. Those seeking a voucher will be able to **apply online for the program** starting at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 8, 2023, through 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Monday, August 14, 2023.

QUESTIONS? Log on to <https://ohauthority.org/housing-vouchers/application-process/> to learn more about the lottery, how to register, or about the pre-application process.

TO APPLY: Applications can only be submitted through <https://myportal.ohauthority.org/>. This is accessible via computer or mobile device.

If an applicant needs assistance because of a disability that restricts them from being able to apply online, please call 402-444-7700 Tuesday, August 8, 2023 through Friday, August 11, 2023 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or on Monday, August 14, 2023 between 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. If an applicant does not have access to a computer, they can use the computers at any Omaha Public Library or access the website on a mobile device with internet access.

Once the pre-application period has ended, OHA will select no less than 1,500 names for the waitlist by computerized random lottery. Within two weeks of the end of the pre-application period, applicants will be notified by mail (at the address provided in the pre-application) whether they were or were not selected for the waitlist. Applicants selected for the waitlist will be notified by mail and email to complete full intake certification application online. At the time of the online intake certification, applicants will need to provide the following:

- Household members 18 years of age or older must each have their own email address;
- Household members 18 years of age or older must provide a valid (*current*) photo identification issued by a Federal or State agency;
- Proof of income;
- Social Security Card or proof of Social Security numbers for all members of the household; and
- Proof of age of all household members (such as birth certificate).
- Any bank account records
- Proof of expenses; medical, disability, and child care.

Additionally, to be eligible for a Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher, household members who are 18 years of age or older must pass an OHA criminal background check and meet other standards for eligibility. Applicants who are deemed eligible will be placed on the waitlist in accordance with OHA's Section 8 Administrative Plan. For more information about Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher eligibility, please visit <https://ohauthority.org/housing-vouchers/eligibility-requirements/>.

Please note that the Public Housing Waiting List and applicant portal will be closed from Tuesday, August 8, 2023 through Monday, August 14, 2023 and will re-open on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.