

Housing Choice Voucher Program

Serving Shasta, Siskiyou, Modoc, and Trinity Counties

What is the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program?

The section 8 HCV program supports very low income families by increasing affordable housing choices. (See income eligibility tables below).

The family chooses and leases a unit that suits their needs and budget.

Rent cost is shared between the Housing Authority and the eligible family.

Assistance is provided to the family for as long as the family remains income eligible.



How do I get on the waiting list?

When Shasta County opens the waitlist, submit an application for the rental assistance program. Your application will be reviewed for eligibility and placed on the lottery list. All notifications of eligibility and next steps will be sent through USPS so be sure to keep your mailing address current with our office.

Income Eligibility

Shasta County

Number of Household Members	Annual / monthly gross income
1 Person	\$27,800 / \$2,314
2 Person	\$31,800 / \$2,650
3 Person	\$35,750 / \$2,979
4 Person	\$39,700 / \$3,308
5 Person	\$42,900 / \$3,575
6 Person	\$46,100 / \$3,842
7 Person	\$49,250 / \$4,104
8 Person	\$52,450 / \$4,371

Siskiyou, Trinity & Modoc

Number of Household Members	Annual / monthly gross income
1 Person	\$27,300 / \$2,275
2 Person	\$31,200 / \$2,600
3 Person	\$35,100 / \$2,925
4 Person	\$38,950 / \$3,246
5 Person	\$42,100 / \$3,508
6 Person	\$45,200 / \$3,767
7 Person	\$48,300 / \$4,025
8 Person	\$51,450 / \$4,288

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Additional Information

About the opening of the wait list

- Each time the wait list is opened for applications, notices will be placed throughout our four county area that will explain the steps to take to apply.
- The Shasta County Housing Authority gives a preference to families with minor children and to head of households who are elderly and/or disabled who are already living within the Shasta County Housing jurisdiction. If you do not receive this preference, it will take longer for your name to come to the top of the waiting list.
- If you cannot come into the office to complete an application, call our office and we will send you an application in the mail.
- You MUST provide a mailing address on your application. If we attempt to contact you at the mailing address you provide and we are unable to do so, your application will be removed from the waiting list.
- If you have changes to your original application, you will need to complete a “Waiting List Update” form. If you cannot come into the office to complete this form, call us and we will send one to you through the mail.

Locating a Unit

This rental assistance program requires those participating to locate their own rental unit after qualifying for the program. Participants may either encourage their present landlord to enter the program or may select another rental unit.

After the family has located a rental unit that meets their needs, the family and landlord will complete the document given to the family at the briefing and submit it to the Housing Authority. The Housing Authority will then determine if the proposed rent is reasonable compared to other units in the area and if the rent is within limits based on the family's income, in accordance with HUD regulations. The Housing Authority will then inspect the proposed rental unit to determine if the unit meets HUD's Housing Quality Standards.

Finalizing the Process...

After the Housing Authority has inspected and approved the rental unit, a Housing Assistance Payments Contract will be initiated between the Housing Authority and the landlord. The contract will provide for a monthly housing assistance payment which will be sent directly to the landlord each month.

Under the program, landlords/owners will be required to perform all responsibilities normally assumed by rental property owners. This includes maintenance of the unit and the collection of the family portion of rent.

Program participants will be required to submit current income and asset information at least annually and upon changes of household income and composition to determine their eligibility for continued participation in the rental assistance program. In addition, the rental unit will be inspected periodically to insure the unit remains in compliance with Housing Quality Standards.