

Oklahoma City Housing Authority

Leased Housing Program



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COVID - 19 Response

Oklahoma City is currently experiencing a high transmission (spread) of the COVID-19 Delta Variant. To prevent the spread of illness, and specifically COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Oklahoma City Housing Authority (OCHA) is continuing to take the following measures for Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) (formerly Section 8) clients and employees. See updates below:

- Our Central Offices (1700 and 1800 NE 4th Street) continue to be closed to the public, after closing March 23, 2020 due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Closing our offices does not mean OCHA is closed. We encourage members of the public to reach us at 405-239-7551 Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- All of OCHA's staff have resumed working a normal schedule.
- HCV clients and applicants can contact OCHA staff by phone at 405-239-7551 or by email in lieu of visiting central office at:

o Stacy Johnson	405-605-3243	sjohnson@ochanet.org	Applications
o Crystal Crumpton	405-605-3248	ccrumpton@ochanet.org	Applications
o Deidre Adams	405-605-3245	dadams@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Sandra DeLoera	405-605-3210	sdeloera@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Tonia Mitchell	405-605-3240	tmitchell@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Luisa Ortega	405-605-3287	lortega@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Maria Pauch	405-605-3206	mpauch@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Morgan Stephenson	405-605-3225	mstephenson@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Thy Hart	405-605-3271	thart@ochanet.org	Recertification
o Tom Starling	405-605-3239	tstarling@ochanet.org	Recert Supervisor
o Christy Lovelady	405-605-3254	clovelady@ochanet.org	RAD/PBV
o Ashlie Cooper	405-605-3294	acooper@ochanet.org	Inspections
o Angelica Contreras	405-605-3263	mmitchell@ochanet.org	Inspections
o Barry Uden	405-605-3257	buden@ochanet.org	Insp. Supervisor
o Kim Hogan	405-605-3253	khogan@ochanet.org	Admin Assistant
o Brittany Wiley	405-605-3238	bwiley@ochanet.org	Port/Data Supp
o Amichala Russell	405-605-3267	arusnell@ochanet.org	HCV Program Clerk
o Kristi Dougherty	405-605-3211	kdougherty@ochanet.org	Quality Control

- Informal Hearings will continue to be conducted via phone until further notice, Hearing Officer can be reached at 405-595-3607 on the day of the hearing.
- Annual re-examinations, interim re-examinations and applications (full applications after selection from waiting list) will continue to be processed by drop off, mail or electronic means.
- Residents can request an interim re-examination by contacting their recertification officer via phone, e-mail or fax.
- Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspections have resumed with preventive measures to reduce the spread of COVID 19 in place by OCHA. OCHA inspectors will wear a face mask for the entirety of the inspection. Residents are encouraged to do the same. Residents will also be asked to maintain social distancing while the inspector is conducting the inspection.
- Voucher issuance for current clients are allowed with special instructions. You will receive your voucher in the mail, you must sign and return the voucher before you will receive a Request for Tenancy Approval (Contact OCHA staff to ask about further instructions).
- Landlord payments will continue to be processed.
- Extra cleaning and disinfectant procedures have been put in place.

- We recommend everyone practice social distancing during this period.

As a reminder, rent is still due during this period and will accumulate if unpaid. If you need help paying your rent:

- Speak with your Landlord regarding your options;
- Visit www.okcccp.org to apply for rental and utility help;
- Request an interim re-examination if you've lost wages during this period.

OHCA strongly encourages all participants to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccines for Oklahomans ages 12 and up are available throughout the City. Visit www.vaxokc.com or call 2-1-1 for more information.

As you know this is rapidly changing and could be updated at any time. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.