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## HOUSING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC NOTICE

### Housing Authority of Baltimore City Low-Income Public Housing Program Waiting List Opening on August 1, 2023 for Units in Baltimore City

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) today announced that applications will be accepted for the HABC's Low-Income Public Housing waiting list for housing units in Baltimore City. **Applications will be accepted online only starting August 1, 2023, at (9:00AM) and ending August 14, 2023, at (11:59 PM).**

The Low-Income Public Housing Program is a federally funded, rental assistance program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. Other municipalities in Maryland maintain their own programs and waiting lists.

Once the application period opens on August 1<sup>st</sup> through August 14<sup>th</sup>, applicants can go online to <https://habc-onthelist.myhousing.com> from any device. Preliminary applications must be submitted online. Individuals with disabilities or others who need additional support may receive assistance completing a preliminary application by contacting a call center representative at the following number:

**1-888-301-8292.** The application is available in multiple languages. Applicants who do not speak English can request translation services at that number.

Following the closure of the two-week application period, HABC will:

- Randomly select 13,000 applicants for placement on the waiting list
- Notify the 13,000 applicants who were randomly selected of their placement on the waiting list.
- Notify all other applicants that they were not selected for placement on the waiting list

If less than 13,000 families submit completed applications, HABC will place those families on the waiting list according to a computerized random sort of the applications received. HABC may opt to re-open the waiting list, if additional applications are needed to fill anticipated vacancies

When vacant units become available, HABC will select the applicants in their order on the waiting list which is also determined by lottery, admission preferences and size and type of the unit needed. As housing units become available, those next on the waiting lists will be contacted to complete a full eligibility application.

Eligibility for the Low-Income Public Housing Program is determined based on HABC's screening criteria, including but not limited to, income screening, citizenship/eligible immigration status screening

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and criminal background screening. Eligible families must have gross annual incomes that do not exceed 50% of the median income for the county or metropolitan area in which the family resides and only United States citizens and specified categories of non-citizens who have eligible immigration status are eligible. To assist applicants with the pre-application process, HABC has prepared a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) which are available on HABC's website at <http://habc.org/phwaitinglist2023>