

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Housing Authority of the County of Merced is pleased to announce the opening of the waiting lists for rental assistance programs and will be accepting pre-applications beginning Monday, April 9, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

The Housing Authority of the County of Merced (Housing Authority) will be accepting on-line pre-applications for the Housing Choice Voucher program, the Project Based Voucher program and Public Housing program waiting lists.

The waiting lists will promptly open on Monday April 9, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. and will continue to accept pre-application through the designated closing date and time indicated next to each waiting list description.

The application process can only be done online by visiting our website www.merced-pha.com. The applicant portal can be accessed from any location or device that has internet access and is mobile friendly. You may use your smart phone, tablet, or laptop. You do not have to come into the Housing Authority to apply.

You will need an email account to register and complete the pre-application. Many email service providers offer account at no charge such as: Google, Yahoo and Windows Live Hotmail. Once your information has been successfully submitted to the website, you will receive a confirmation number. Keep that number for your records.

PAPER PRE-APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ONLY ONLINE PRE-APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Please do not submit more than one waitlist pre-application per applicant – duplicate pre-applications will NOT be accepted!

Please note the opening and closing dates for each waiting list:

The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV): OPENS April 9, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. – CLOSES: April 12, 2018 at 8:00 A.M.

The Housing Choice Voucher Program assistance covers the rent portion that exceeds approximately 30% of an eligible family's monthly income. Any and all income-eligible households may submit a pre-application. Acceptance and/or assistance are based on income verification, eligibility requirements and preference factors. Maximum income levels, based on family size.

Electronic pre-application for the Housing Choice Voucher Program waiting list will be available on line on Monday, April 9, 2018 starting at 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) and will no longer accept pre-application starting Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) at which time the waiting list will **CLOSE**.

Public Housing: OPENS APRIL 9, 2018 at 8:00 A.M., WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The rental assistance in Public Housing covers the rent portion that exceeds approximately 30% of an eligible family's monthly income. Any and all income-eligible households may submit a pre-application. Acceptance and/or assistance are based on income verification, eligibility requirements and preference factors. Maximum income levels, based on family size. The waiting list for Public Housing are location specific, you may choose which waiting list to apply for.

Electronic pre- application for the Public Housing waiting list will be available on-line Monday April 9, 2018 starting at 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) will remain open until further notice. The waiting list is designated by location and bedroom size

- Merced – Located within the City of Merced, Family units by size One (1), Two (2), Three (3), and Four (4) bedrooms



- Merced – Located within the City of Merced, Elderly, One (1) bedrooms size units
- Los Banos – Located within the City of Los Banos, Family units by size One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms
- Dos Palos – Located within the City of Dos Palos, Family units by size One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms
- Atwater - Located within the City of Atwater, Family units by size One (1) Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms
- Livingston – Located within Livingston Family units by size One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms
- Winton – Located within Winton, Two (2) and Three (3) bedrooms

Project Based: OPENS APRIL 9, 2018 at 8:00 A.M., WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

The Project Based Voucher Program assistance covers the rent portion that exceeds approximately 30% of an eligible family's monthly income. Any and all income-eligible households may submit a pre-application. Acceptance and/or assistance are based on income verification, eligibility requirements and preference factors. Maximum income levels, based on family size.

Electronic pre-application for the Project Based Voucher waiting list will be available on-line Monday, April 9, 2018 starting at 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) will remain open until further notice. The waiting list is designated location and bedroom size.

- The Grove Apartments, Located in Merced, Family units by size, Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms only
- Gateway Apartments, Located in Merced, Family units by size Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms only
- Midway Apartments Located in Dos Palos, Family units by size Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) bedrooms only
- O'Banion Terrace Apartments, Located in Dos Palos, Elderly, One (1) bedrooms size units

The Housing Authority established local preferences and gives priority to serving families that meet those criteria. The Housing Authority uses the following local preference system:

- Homeless Preference
- Veteran Preference
- Involuntarily Displaced
- Residency Preference
- Elderly or Disabled Person Preference

All persons requesting disability related modifications or accommodations may contact the Authority at 209-722-3501 ext. 161.