



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

SECTION 8 TENANT NEWSLETTER

January 2016

New Voucher Payment Standards

The Section 8 Voucher Payment Standard (VPS) is the most the Housing Authority can pay for rent on the family's behalf. The VPS depends on your Voucher Bedroom Size. The Voucher Payment Standards have changed as follows:

Voucher Bedroom Size	SRO	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Voucher Payment Standard	\$744	\$1,041	\$1,269	\$1,564	\$2,021	\$2,404	\$2,765	\$3,126

How Will the New VPS Affect You?

- For new admissions, the new VPS will be effective **December 15, 2015 and later**. Note: The proposed contract rent **MUST** be supported by comparable rents.
- If you request a voucher to move **after** December 15, 2015 the new VPS will be used.
- For annual reexaminations, the new VPS will be used at your upcoming annual re-examination, starting with re-examinations effective **March 1, 2016** and later.

If you have any questions you may contact your Section 8 Advisor or by:

Telephone: (213) 252-2500 ♦ Facsimile: (213) 252-2028 ♦ E-mail: tenants.s8@hacla.org

Section 8 Advisory Meetings

Section 8 Advisory Meetings are an opportunity for participants in the Section 8 program to provide the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) with input on Section 8 policies, procedures, and practices, as well as to learn about changes and challenges to the Section 8 program. Following is a schedule of S8 Advisory Meetings for 2016:

Date & Time	Location
Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 2:00pm	Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (Board of Commissioner's Room) 2600 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90057
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 2:00pm	Independent Square 2455 S. Saint Andrews Pl. Los Angeles, CA 90018
Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 2:00pm	Section 8 South Office 19600 Hamilton Ave. Torrance, CA 90502
Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 2:00pm	Section 8 Valley Office 6946 Van Nuys Blvd. Ste. 100 Van Nuys, CA 91405

If you would like to attend, e-mail TenantsS8@hacla.org.

The Housing Authority will be closed on:

Friday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day

Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Day

Prepare for El Niño

Southern California is expecting a rainy winter (El Niño). Please take the following precautions to be prepared:

- Monitor radio and TV news closely for information about weather conditions, flooding in your area and safety precautions being advised.
- Be prepared to leave immediately if an evacuation is ordered. Have alternate evacuation routes out of your neighborhood.
- Stay away from flood channels and flowing rivers. You could be knocked off your feet in as little as six inches of water.
- Don't try to cross flooded areas and never enter moving water. Turn around—don't drown.
- Floodwaters pick up sewage and chemicals from roads, farms and factories. If your home has been flooded, protect your family's health by cleaning up right away. Throw out foods and medicines that may have been affected.
- Stay away from steep slopes that may become unstable when saturated.
- Never touch a downed power line, which can cause serious injury or death. Call 9-1-1 to report it.
- Look for tilted trees, telephone poles, fences or walls, and for new holes or bare spots on hillsides.
- If trapped in your vehicle stay with it. If possible, relocate to the hood if water continues to rise.
- Be alert when driving. Roads may become blocked or closed due to hazards.
- Report small problems as soon as they occur so they don't turn into bigger ones.

Other Resources

<p>LA County Fire Department www.fire.lacounty.gov</p>	<p>LA County Public Health www.publichealth.lacounty.gov</p>	<p>Flood, Debris and Erosion Control www.ladpw.org/wmd/homeowners</p>
<p>Sandbag Distribution Locations www.dpwcare.org/sandbags</p>	<p>Public Works Dispatch Center Please call 800-675-HELP (4357) to report urgent issues in unincorporated areas and contract cities.</p>	<p>Southern California Edison Www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/safety/family/outdoor-tips</p>

Report Fraud

If you suspect anyone of committing fraud, please call (800) 461-9330, or file a report online at: www.mysafeworkplace.com. Your name will remain anonymous.

Property Listings

Property listings are available online at: www.hacla.org simply click on the "Property Listings" link provided on the right-hand side of the main page. You can also call the toll free phone number at 1-877-428-8844 to receive printed listings.

You can find the Tenant Newsletter online at: http://www.hacla.org/tnt_news_1/