



# HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES SECTION 8 TENANT NEWSLETTER

October 2018

## 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 contract rent can never be higher than the comparable rents determined by the third party vendor). 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	\$954	\$1,273	\$1,522	\$1,970	\$2,641	\$2,905	\$3,340	\$3,776

### How Will the New VPS Affect You?

- The new VPS will be used effective October 1, 2018 for new admissions and families moving to a new unit.
- The new VPS will be used at your upcoming annual re-examination, starting with re-examinations effective January 1, 2019 or later.

If you have any questions you may contact your S8 Advisor.

## S8 Advisory Meeting

Section 8 Advisory Meetings are an opportunity for participants in the Section 8 program to provide the Housing Authority with input on Section 8 policies, procedures, and practices, as well as to learn about changes and challenges to the Section 8 program. The following is the next scheduled Advisory Meeting:

Date & Time	Location
Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 2:00pm	Section 8 Valley Office 6946 Van Nuys Blvd., Ste 100 Training Rm Van Nuys, CA 91405

If you would like to attend, e-mail [S8Advisory@hacla.org](mailto:S8Advisory@hacla.org)

## Take Steps to Lease a Unit

The best way to win over a prospective landlord is to be prepared. To get a competitive edge over other applicants, bring the following when you meet the landlord: a completed rental application; written references from landlords, employers, and colleagues; pay stubs, latest income tax return form, and a current copy of your credit report.

Source: <https://www.hud.gov/states/shared/working/r8/mf/topten>

Tenant Newsletter is online at: <http://www.hacla.org/s8formspolicies>

### Walk in Hours

**Housing Choice Voucher (S8 families):**

Tuesdays and Thursdays  
8:00am to 4:00pm

**All other rental assistance program families:**

Monday thru Friday  
8:00am to 4:00pm

### Property Listings

Property listings are available online at: <http://www.hacla.org/propertylistings>. You can also call the toll free phone number at 1-877-428-8844 to receive printed listings.

### Report Changes

You must report all changes in income, family composition, and any other change as indicated in the Family Obligations form immediately.

### Report Fraud

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

## Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Workshops

These workshops provide a basic overview of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO). The October workshops will cover: "Permanent Withdrawal from the Rental Housing Market: Requirements for Landlords & Property Owners." Below is the schedule of the upcoming workshops. To RSVP, call the Housing + Community Investment Department (HCID) at (213) 928-9075. You must reserve in advance. Reservations must be received one day prior to the session.

Location	Date(s)	Time
690 Knox St. Suite 125 Los Angeles, CA 90502	Tuesday, October 9, 2018	10:00am
3550 Wilshire Blvd. 15th Flr. Los Angeles, CA 90010	Wednesday, October 10, 2018	10:00am
2130 East 1st Street., Ste. 2600 Los Angeles, CA 90033	Thursday, October 11, 2018	10:00am (Spanish)
1200 W. 7th St., Rm. 100 Los Angeles, CA 90017	Wednesday, October 17, 2018	6:30pm
6400 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Ste 610 North Hollywood, CA 91606	Thursday, October 18, 2018	10:30am
1645 Corinth Ave., Ste. 104 Los Angeles, CA 90025	Wednesday, October 24, 2018	10:30am
1200 W. 7th St., Rm. 100 Los Angeles, CA 90017	Thursday, October 25, 2018	6:30pm (Spanish)

HACLA does not endorse this service

## Lead Hazard Remediation Program

The Lead Hazard Remediation Program (LHRP) available at the Housing Community and Investment Department of Los Angeles (HCIDLA) provides grants to landlords to make their properties lead-safe and to eliminate health and safety hazards.

The LHRP grants are primarily for low-income families with children under the age of six. The program also provides education regarding the dangers of lead-based paint and health and safety hazards. You can apply for a lead-safe grant if you are a landlord, or you are a tenant with permission from the landlord.

If you would like to apply for this program you can complete an application available online at: <https://hcidla.lacity.org/home-safe-lead-paint>. You can submit an application to HCIDLA by e-mail: [hcidla.leadshomes@lacity.org](mailto:hcidla.leadshomes@lacity.org), deliver it in person, or mail it.

If you would like to speak to HCIDLA about this program you can reach them at (213) 808-8935 or the toll-free hotline at: (866) 557-RENT (7368).

Source: HUD.gov/FairHousing

## Informal Hearings

If you are scheduled for an informal hearing and have questions relating to your case you can send an e-mail to: [InformalHearing@hacla.org](mailto:InformalHearing@hacla.org) or call: (213) 252-5426.