



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

SECTION 8 TENANT NEWSLETTER

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Assessment of the Fair Housing (AFH)

The City and County of Los Angeles and their respective Housing Authorities are currently conducting a fair housing study known as the "Assessment of Fair Housing" (AFH). This study is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a condition for receiving federal housing and community development funds. As such, you are invited to take part in this survey to provide your opinions and experiences regarding fair housing.

The survey is available online at:

English: <https://www.research.net/r/2017FairHousingResidentSurvey>

Spanish: <https://www.research.net/r/2017LAEquidaddeVivienda>

Armenian: <https://www.research.net/r/2017ArmenianFHRS>

Chinese: <https://www.research.net/r/2017ChineseFHRS>

Korean: <https://ko.research.net/r/2017KoreanFHRS>

Russian: <https://ru.research.net/r/2017RussianFHRS>

Tagalog: <https://www.research.net/r/2017FHRSparasaLungsod>

If you have any questions call: (213) 808-8440, TTY (213) 473-3231.

S8 Advisory Meeting

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. The following is the next scheduled S8 Advisory Meeting:

Date & Time	Location
Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 2:00pm	Independent Square 2455 S. Saint Andrews Pl. Los Angeles, CA 90018

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

Agency Plan Meetings

The dates of the HACLA Agency Plan Meeting will be posted in the Newsletter for the month of June. The meetings offer an opportunity for Section 8 participants and landlords to provide the Housing Authority with input on the Agency Plan, policies, procedures and practices for administration of the Section 8 Program.

Walk in Hours

For all participant families are as follows:

Tuesdays and Thursdays
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 changes per the Family Obligations form you sign at the time of your annual reexamination.

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.

Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Workshops

These workshops provide a basic overview of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO). April workshops will cover: Ellis/Permanent removal from the rental housing market - tenant protection. Below is the schedule of the upcoming workshops. To RSVP, call the Housing Community Investment Department (HCID) at (213) 928-9075.

Location	Date(s)	Time
3550 Wilshire Blvd. 15th Flr. Los Angeles, CA 90010	Wednesday, April 12, 2017	2:00pm
690 Knox St., Suite 125 Los Angeles, CA 90502	Tuesday, April 11, 2017	10:00am
1200 W. 7th St., Rm 100 Los Angeles, CA 90017	Wednesday, April 19, 2017 Thursday, April 27, 2017	6:30pm 6:30pm (Spanish)
6400 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Suite 610 North Hollywood, CA 91606	Thursday, April 20, 2017	10:30am
1645 Corinth Ave., Suite 104 Los Angeles, CA 90025	Wednesday, April 26, 2017	10:30am

HACLA does not endorse this service

Legal Help for Youth

Public Counsel provides legal help for youth, where participants in the Section 8 program, ages 13-24, can meet with a lawyer for assistance with legal issues. It's **voluntary, free** and **confidential**.

In partnership with the Juvenile Reentry Assistance Program (JRAP) and HACLA, Public Counsel may be able to help with: Sealing juvenile records, adult and juvenile tickets, school discipline and enrollment issues, expunging adult convictions, government benefits, family law and child support.

For more information, call Public Counsel at (213) 385-2977 ext 502 or go to:

<http://www.publiccounsel.org/>

Protect your Family from Lead

Lead from paint, dust, and soil can be dangerous if not managed properly. Lead exposure can harm young children and babies even before they are born. You can get lead in your body by breathing or swallowing lead dust, or by eating soil or paint chips containing lead. Protect your family from lead by taking steps outlined in HUD's pamphlet on lead which you can access at:

https://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/library/enforcement/pyf_eng.pdf

Your regional EPA Office can also provide further information regarding regulations and lead protection programs. For more information call (415) 947-4164.

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