



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

September 2019

Inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds

On Wednesday, August 14, 2019, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released a final rule regarding “*Inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds*.” This new rule becomes effective October 15, 2019 and can be found by clicking the “Final Rule” link at:

www.uscis.gov/greencard/public-charge.

The information provided below is not intended to discourage your application or continued participation but only to keep you informed of your rights and options.

The following are key points for interested persons to keep in mind:

- This rule can impact noncitizens who are seeking admission, adjustment of status, or an extension or change of a nonimmigrant status.
- The change made by DHS states that receipt of housing assistance *may* impact a person’s ability to become a legal permanent resident of the United States.
- This rule **does not** affect or involve eligibility for admission or continued participation in the Public Housing, Section 8, or Multifamily Housing Programs, and HACLA does not have any role in implementing the DHS “Public Charge” rule.

HACLA is encouraging its clients to do the following:

- Do not panic!
- Contact **reputable** immigration attorneys as needed, such as those listed in the Community Resource Guides provided by the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs (www.lamayor.org/immigration).
- Learn more about the Public Charge Rule by accessing the following resources:
 - U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
<https://www.uscis.gov/greencard/public-charge>
 - Immigrant Legal Resource Center
<https://www.ilrc.org/public-charge>
 - National Immigration Law Center
<https://www.nilc.org/issues/economicssupport/lets-talk-about-public-charge-pif/>

The above links are provided for reference purposes only. HACLA encourages its clients to seek professional legal advice for their particular circumstances, as HACLA staff cannot provide legal advice to its clients.

Walk in Hours

**Housing Choice Voucher
(\$8 families):**

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

**All other rental
assistance programs:**

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. Your name will remain anonymous.

Join HACLA on Twitter @hacla1938. www.twitter.com/hacla1938

Fair Housing Issues in Rental Units

These workshops provide a basic overview of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance(RSO). The September workshops will cover: **“RSO Basics and Updates.”** Below is the schedule of the upcoming workshops. To RSVP, call the Housing + Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) 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., Ste. 125 Los Angeles, CA 90502	Tuesday, September 10, 2019	10:00am (Spanish)
3550 Wilshire Blvd. 15th Flr. Los Angeles, CA 90010	Wednesday, September 11, 2019	10:00am
2130 East 1st Street., Ste. 2600 Los Angeles, CA 90033	Thursday, September 12, 2019	10:00am
1200 W. 7th St., Rm. 100 Los Angeles, CA 90017	Wednesday, September 18, 2019	6:30pm
6400 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Ste 610 North Hollywood, CA 91606	Thursday, September 19, 2019	10:30am
1645 Corinth Ave., Ste. 104 Los Angeles, CA 90025	Wednesday, September 25, 2019	10:30am
1200 W. 7th St., Rm. 100 Los Angeles, CA 90017	Thursday, September 26, 2019	6:30pm (Spanish)

HACLA does not endorse this service

Section 8 Advisory Meetings 2019

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 a schedule of S8 Advisory Meetings for 2019:

Date & Time	Location
Thursday, November 14, 2019 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 S8Advisory@hacla.org

Did you know funding for Section 8 Housing is determined by census data?
The 2020 Census is coming! Be Informed. Be Involved. Be Counted. www.census.lacity.org

The Housing Authority will be closed on:

Monday, September 2nd in Observance of Labor Day

You can find the Tenant Newsletter online at:

<http://www.hacla.org/s8formspolicies>