



APPLYING FOR HUD HOUSING ASSISTANCE?

**THINK ABOUT THIS...
IS FRAUD WORTH IT?**

Do You Realize...

If you commit fraud to obtain assisted housing from HUD, you could be:

- **Evicted** from your apartment or house.
- **Required to repay** all overpaid rental assistance you received.
- **Fined** up to \$10,000.
- **Imprisoned** for up to five years.
- **Prohibited** from receiving future assistance.
- **Subject** to State and local government penalties.

Do You Know...

You are committing fraud if you sign a form knowing that you provided false or misleading information.

The information you provide on housing assistance application and recertification forms will be checked. The local housing agency, HUD, or the Office of Inspector General will check the income and asset information you provide with other Federal, State, or local governments and with private agencies. Certifying false information is fraud.

So Be Careful!

When you fill out your application and yearly recertification for assisted housing from HUD make sure your answers to the questions are accurate and honest. You must include:

All sources of income and changes in income you or any members of your household receive, such as wages, welfare payments, social security and veterans' benefits, pensions, retirement, etc.

Any money you receive on behalf of your children, such as child support, AFDC payments, social security for children, etc.

Any increase in income, such as wages from a new job or an expected pay raise or bonus.

All assets, such as bank accounts, savings bonds, certificates of deposit, stocks, real estate, etc., that are owned by you or any member of your household.

All income from assets, such as interest from savings and checking accounts, stock dividends, etc.

Any business or asset (your home) that you sold in the last two years at less than full value.

The names of everyone, adults or children, relatives and non-relatives, who are living with you and make up your household.

(Important Notice for Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita Evacuees: HUD's reporting requirements may be temporarily waived or suspended because of your circumstances. Contact the local housing agency before you complete the housing assistance application.)

Ask Questions

If you don't understand something on the application or recertification forms, always ask questions. It's better to be safe than sorry.

Watch Out for Housing Assistance Scams!

- Don't pay money to have someone fill out housing assistance application and recertification forms for you.
- Don't pay money to move up on a waiting list.
- Don't pay for anything that is not covered by your lease.
- Get a receipt for any money you pay.
- Get a written explanation if you are required to pay for anything other than rent (maintenance or utility charges).

Report Fraud

If you know of anyone who provided false information on a HUD housing assistance application or recertification or if anyone tells you to provide false information, report that person to the HUD Office of Inspector General Hotline. You can call the Hotline toll-free Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time, at 1-800-347-3735. You can fax information to (202) 708-4829 or e-mail it to Hotline@hudoig.gov. You can write the Hotline at:



HUD OIG Hotline, GFI
451 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20410

WATERTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY
142 MECHANIC STREET
Watertown, NY 13601
Telephone: (315) 782-1251

WHA USE ONLY

_____ Card File/Database
 _____ Photo ID
 _____ Interview
 _____ Housing Pro

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HOUSING

FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES ONLY:

Race of Head of Household: ☐ African American/Black ☐ Asian or Pacific Islander
☐ Native American/Alaskan Native ☐ Caucasian/White
 Ethnicity of Head of Household: ☐ Hispanic/Latino ☐ Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino

Current Housing/Information: (Complete full address)

Full Address:			Phone: ()
City:	State:	Zip:	Email:
Current Landlord Information:			
Landlord Name:		Phone:	Relationship:
Address:		City:	State & Zip:

FAMILY COMPOSITION: List head/co-head/spouse/other household members 18 years and older and all children. (list oldest to youngest). List all persons who will be living in the home, **beginning with the head of household**. No one except those listed on this form may live in the unit. ******MAIDEN NAME OR ALIAS:**

Name of Family Member			Relation to Family Head	Date of Birth	Disabled (Circle)	Sex	Social Security No.
First Name	Last Name	M.					
1)			Self		Y N		
2)					Y N		
3)					Y N		
4)					Y N		
5)					Y N		
6)					Y N		
7)					Y N		

INCOME: Total Income, e.g., Wages, Social Security, SSI, Pension, Support, TANF/Welfare, Food Stamps, Other

Family Member	Income Source: Wages, Compensation, Disability, Social Security, SSI, Pension, Support, Welfare	# of hours	Rate of pay	How often is the money received? Weekly, Biweekly, Monthly, Semimonthly.	Name of Employer	Estimated Income	
						Past 12 Mos.	Next 12 Mos.

ASSETS: List all Assets, e.g., Home, Stocks, Bonds, Checking/Savings Accounts

Family Member	Source	Asset Type	Value/Balance	Interest Rate

LIST YOUR LANDLORDS FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, START WITH YOUR PRESENT LANDLORD
THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED

PREVIOUS ADDRESS		RENT AMOUNT	DATES	
1) Street Address:		\$	Move In	Move Out
City:	State:	Zip:	Move-out reason:	
Landlord Name:		Telephone No. ()	Relationship to Landlord:	
Landlord Address:		City:	State & Zip:	

PREVIOUS ADDRESS		RENT AMOUNT	DATES	
2) Street Address:		\$	Move In	Move Out
City:	State:	Zip:	Move-out reason:	
Landlord Name:		Telephone No. ()	Relationship to Landlord:	
Landlord Address:		City:	State & Zip:	

PREVIOUS ADDRESS		RENT AMOUNT	DATES	
3) Street Address:		\$	Move In	Move Out
City:	State:	Zip:	Move-out reason:	
Landlord Name:		Telephone No. ()	Relationship to Landlord:	
Landlord Address:		City:	State & Zip:	

PREVIOUS ADDRESS		RENT AMOUNT	DATES	
4) Street Address:		\$	Move In	Move Out
City:	State:	Zip:	Move-out reason:	
Landlord Name:		Telephone No. ()	Relationship to Landlord:	
Landlord Address:		City:	State & Zip:	

PREVIOUS ADDRESS		RENT AMOUNT	DATES	
5) Street Address:		\$	Move In	Move Out
City:	State:	Zip:	Move-out reason:	
Landlord Name:		Telephone No. ()	Relationship to Landlord:	
Landlord Address:		City:	State & Zip:	

Property

Do you currently own property? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please list the current: cash/assessed value \$_____

Have you sold or disposed of any property in the past two years? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please list market value/sale price \$_____ Date sold:_____

Medical Expenses (These questions only apply if the head, spouse or co-head is 62 years or older or is disabled)

Do you or any member of the family pay out of pocket medical expenses (Medical insurance premiums, long term care insurance, out of pocket prescriptions, medical bills, care attendant, other) Yes ☐ No ☐

Are you paying for any type of equipment for a disabled family member that enables an adult member to work? (Could be the person with a disability) Yes ☐ No ☐

Child Care

Does any family member have expenses for child care on a child age 12 or younger? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, is any portion of the childcare reimbursed by an outside agency or person? \$_____

WERE YOU EVER EVICTED? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, give reason: _____

HAVE YOU EVER LIVED IN PUBLIC HOUSING? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, where and when: _____

DO YOU OWE ANY MONEY TO A PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY? Yes ☐ No ☐

DATA SURVEY-Your participation is voluntary! By completing this short survey we can find out what types of housing and services we should be working on to better meet your needs.

At any time in the past year have you been at a temporary address because you could not find or did not have a permanent home?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Are you currently at a temporary address that is not your permanent home? Yes ☐ No ☐

How many separate times in the past three years have you moved because you have been without a regular place to live? _____

Do you wish to claim disability status for the purpose of housing? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you need a handicapped-accessible unit? Yes ☐ No ☐

Are you disabled? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you need assistance with your daily life activities? Yes ☐ No ☐ (Personal care, bathing, dressing, eating, mobility, shopping, preparing meals, housekeeping, laundry, transportation, medication, handling finances, other _____).

If yes, who provides this help? Family Friend Agency Other (circle one)

Does anyone in your household require any type of accommodations to fully utilize our program? Yes ☐ No ☐

Military: Have you or any member of your family been or is currently in Military Service? Yes ☐ No ☐

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND

This form applies to applicant and all members of the household 18 years and older. *****FAILURE TO TRUTHFULLY RESPOND TO THESE QUESTIONS MAY JEOPARDIZE APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION.*****

HAVE YOU OR ANY OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER EVER BEEN ARRESTED/CONVICTED OF A MISDEMEANOR? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please explain _____

ARE YOU OR ANY OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER SUBJECT TO A SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY IN ANY STATE? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, list household name: _____ Date: _____ State: _____

HAVE YOU OR ANY OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER BEEN ARRESTED/CONVICTED OF A FELONY?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please explain _____

HAVE YOU OR ANY OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER EVER BEEN ARRESTED/CONVICTED OF A DRUG OR ALCOHOL OFFENSE? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please explain _____

HAVE YOU OR ANY OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER BEEN ARRESTED/CONVICTED OF A VIOLENT CRIME? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please explain _____

I/We certify that all of the information I/We have provided on this application is true and complete. I/We understand that I/We am required to notify the Watertown Housing Authority in writing within (10 days) if any member(s) of the family moves out of the unit and that I/We cannot permit anyone to move into the unit without prior approval of the Watertown Housing Authority. I/We understand that I/We must notify the Watertown Housing Authority in writing of any changes to the household due to birth, adoption or court awarded custody. I also understand that any person who attempts to obtain housing assistance or rent reduction by making false statements, by impersonation, by failure to disclose or intentionally concealing information, or any act of assistance to such attempt is a crime under federal and state law.

Warning: Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. Code provides, among other things that whoever knowingly and willfully makes or uses a document or writing containing false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years or both.

Applicant Signature

Date

Spouse/Co-Applicant Signature

Date

Other Household Member Signature

Date

Other Household Member Signature

Date

Certification of PHA Representative

I hereby certify by my signature that I have reviewed this application form and provided answers to any questions with the head of household to ensure completeness of this application.

Signature of PHA Representative

Date



Authorization for the Release of Information/
Privacy Act Notice

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing

to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
and the Housing Agency/Authority (HA)

Form with two columns for PHA and IHA information. PHA column contains: WATERTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY, 142 MECHANIC STREET, WATERTOWN, NY 13601. IHA column is empty.

Authority: Section 904 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988, as amended by Section 903 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 and Section 3003 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993. This law is found at 42 U.S.C. 3544.

This law requires that you sign a consent form authorizing: (1) HUD and the Housing Agency/Authority (HA) to request verification of salary and wages from current or previous employers; (2) HUD and the HA to request wage and unemployment compensation claim information from the state agency responsible for keeping that information; (3) HUD to request certain tax return information from the U.S. Social Security Administration and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The law also requires independent verification of income information. Therefore, HUD or the HA may request information from financial institutions to verify your eligibility and level of benefits.

Purpose: In signing this consent form, you are authorizing HUD and the above-named HA to request income information from the sources listed on the form. HUD and the HA need this information to verify your household's income, in order to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level. HUD and the HA may participate in computer matching programs with these sources in order to verify your eligibility and level of benefits.

Uses of Information to be Obtained: HUD is required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. HUD may disclose information (other than tax return information) for certain routine uses, such as to other government agencies for law enforcement purposes, to Federal agencies for employment suitability purposes and to HAs for the purpose of determining housing assistance. The HA is also required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with any applicable State privacy law. HUD and HA employees may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of the income information that is obtained based on the consent form. Private owners may not request or receive information authorized by this form.

Who Must Sign the Consent Form: Each member of your household who is 18 years of age or older must sign the consent form. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members joining the household or whenever members of the household become 18 years of age.

Persons who apply for or receive assistance under the following programs are required to sign this consent form:

- PHA-owned rental public housing
Turnkey III Homeownership Opportunities
Mutual Help Homeownership Opportunity
Section 23 and 19(c) leased housing
Section 23 Housing Assistance Payments
HA-owned rental Indian housing
Section 8 Rental Certificate
Section 8 Rental Voucher
Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation

Failure to Sign Consent Form: Your failure to sign the consent form may result in the denial of eligibility or termination of assisted housing benefits, or both. Denial of eligibility or termination of benefits is subject to the HA's grievance procedures and Section 8 informal hearing procedures.

Sources of Information To Be Obtained

State Wage Information Collection Agencies. (This consent is limited to wages and unemployment compensation I have received during period(s) within the last 5 years when I have received assisted housing benefits.)

U.S. Social Security Administration (HUD only) (This consent is limited to the wage and self employment information and payments of retirement income as referenced at Section 6103(l)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.)

U.S. Internal Revenue Service (HUD only) (This consent is limited to unearned income [i.e., interest and dividends].)

Information may also be obtained directly from: (a) current and former employers concerning salary and wages and (b) financial institutions concerning unearned income (i.e., interest and dividends). I understand that income information obtained from these sources will be used to verify information that I provide in determining eligibility for assisted housing programs and the level of benefits. Therefore, this consent form only authorizes release directly from employers and financial institutions of information regarding any period(s) within the last 5 years when I have received assisted housing benefits.

Consent: I consent to allow HUD or the HA to request and obtain income information from the sources listed on this form for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and level of benefits under HUD’s assisted housing programs. I understand that HAs that receive income information under this consent form cannot use it to deny, reduce or terminate assistance without first independently verifying what the amount was, whether I actually had access to the funds and when the funds were received. In addition, I must be given an opportunity to contest those determinations.

This consent form expires 15 months after signed.

Signatures:

Head of Household	Date		
Social Security Number (if any) of Head of Household		Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Spouse	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Other Family Member over age 18	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date
Other Family Member over age 18	Date	Other Family Member over age 18	Date

Privacy Act Notice. Authority: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et. seq.), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), and by the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19). The Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 3543) requires applicants and participants to submit the Social Security Number of each household member who is six years old or older. Purpose: Your income and other information are being collected by HUD to determine your eligibility, the appropriate bedroom size, and the amount your family will pay toward rent and utilities. Other Uses: HUD uses your family income and other information to assist in managing and monitoring HUD-assisted housing programs, to protect the Government’s financial interest, and to verify the accuracy of the information you provide. This information may be released to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, when relevant, and to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigators and prosecutors. However, the information will not be otherwise disclosed or released outside of HUD, except as permitted or required by law. Penalty: You must provide all of the information requested by the HA, including all Social Security Numbers you, and all other household members age six years and older, have and use. Giving the Social Security Numbers of all household members six years of age and older is mandatory, and not providing the Social Security Numbers will affect your eligibility. Failure to provide any of the requested information may result in a delay or rejection of your eligibility approval.

Penalties for Misusing this Consent:

HUD, the HA and any owner (or any employee of HUD, the HA or the owner) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form.

Use of the information collected based on the form HUD 9886 is restricted to the purposes cited on the form HUD 9886. Any person who knowingly or willfully requests, obtains or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or participant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

Any applicant or participant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD, the HA or the owner responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use.

Authorization for the Release of Information

PHA requesting release of information:

Watertown Housing Authority
142 Mechanic Street
Watertown, NY 13601

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 1437f and 3535(d), implemented at 24CFR 982.551(b).

Purpose: In signing this consent form, you are authorizing HUD and the above-named HA to request information including but not limited to: identity and marital status, employment income, welfare income, assets, residences and rental activity, Medical or Child Care Allowances, Credit and Criminal Activity. HUD and the HA need this information to verify your eligibility for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level. HUD and the HA may participate in computer matching programs with these sources in order to verify your eligibility and level of benefits.

Uses of Information to be Obtained: HUD is required to protect the information it obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. HUD may disclose information (other than tax return information) for certain routine uses, such as to other government agencies for law enforcement purposes, to Federal agencies for employment suitability purposes and to HAs for the purpose of determining housing assistance. The HA is also required to protect the information it obtains in accordance with any applicable State privacy law. HUD and HA employees may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of the information that is obtained based on the consent form.

Who Must Sign the Consent Form: Each member of your household who is 18 years of age or older must sign the consent form. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members joining the household or whenever members of the household become 18 years of age.

Consent: I consent to allow HUD or the HA to request and obtain any information from any Federal, State, or local agency, organization, business, or individual for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and level of benefits under HUD's assisted housing programs. I understand that HAs that receive information under this consent form cannot use it to deny, reduce or terminate assistance without first independently verifying the information obtained. In addition, I must be given an opportunity to contest those determinations.

This consent form expires 15 months after signed.

Signatures:

Head of Household

Date _____

Social Security Number (if any) of Head of Household

Spouse

Date _____

Other Family Member over age 18

Date _____

Other Family Member over age 18

Date _____

Other Family Member over age 18

Date _____

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¹ HAPPY Software, 1999

(11/1999)

Original is retained by the requesting organization.

Failure to Sign Consent Form: Your failure to sign the consent form may result in the denial of eligibility or termination of assisted housing benefits, or both. Denial of eligibility or termination of benefits is subject to the HA's grievance procedures and Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures.

Sources of Information: The groups or individuals that may be asked to release the authorized information include but are not limited to:

Previous Landlords (including Public Housing Agencies)

Courts and Post Offices

Schools and Colleges

Law Enforcement Agencies

Support and Alimony Providers

Past and Present Employers

Welfare Agencies

State Unemployment Agencies

Social Security Administration

Medical and Child Care Providers

Veterans Administration

Retirement Systems

Banks and other Financial Institutions

Credit Providers and Credit Bureaus

Utility Companies

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DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN TO:

Watertown Housing Authority
142 Mechanic Street
Watertown, NY 13601

Part 1: Applies to All Family Members

Each person who will benefit under the subsidized housing program must either be a citizen or national of the United States, or be a noncitizen who has eligible immigration status that qualifies them for rental assistance as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

One box on this form must be checked for each family member indicating status as a citizen or a national of the United States, or a noncitizen with eligible immigration status. Family members residing in the unit to be assisted that do not claim to be a citizen or national of the United States, or do not claim to be a noncitizen with eligible immigration status should not check any box.

All adults must sign where indicated. For each child who is not 18 years of age, the form must be signed by an adult member of the family residing in the dwelling unit who is responsible for the child. Use blank lines to add family members who are not listed.

First Name	Last Name	Age	I am a citizen or national of the U.S.	or	I am a noncitizen with eligible immigration status.	Signature of Adult Listed to the left, or Signature of Guardian for Minors.
			☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____
_____	_____	_____	☐	or	☐	X _____

Warning - Title 18 US Code Section 1001 states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making a false or fraudulent statement to any department or agency of the United States. If this form contains false or incomplete information, you may be required to repay all overpaid rental assistance you received; fined up to \$10,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years; and/or prohibited from receiving future assistance.

NOTE: Family members who have checked a box indicating that they are a noncitizen with eligible immigration status must complete Part 2 of this form.

Part 2: Applies to Noncitizen Family Members Only

All family members who have claimed eligible immigration status on Part 1 of this form must provide this office with an original of one of the following documents:

- (1) Form I-551, Alien Registration Receipt Card
- (2) Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record with appropriate annotations or documents
- (3) Form I-688, Temporary Resident Card
- (4) Form I-688B, Employment Authorization Card
- (5) A receipt issued by the INS indicating that an application for issuance of a replacement document in one of the above-listed categories has been made and the applicant's entitlement to the document has been verified.

Please call at to arrange for delivery and copying of original documents.

Do not mail original documents to this office.

If documents are not presented and verified, your family's rental assistance may be reduced, denied, or terminated as provided in regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, pending available appeals processes.

Head of Household Certification

As head of household I certify, under penalty of perjury, that all members of my household are listed on Part 1 of this form and that members of my household that have not checked either box on Part 1 of this form do not claim to be citizens or nationals of the United States, or noncitizens with eligible immigration status.

Signature _____ Date _____

Consent to Verify Eligible Immigration Status

Each family member required to complete Part 2 of this form must sign below granting consent to verify eligible immigration status. For each child who is not 18 years of age, the form must be signed by an adult member of the family residing in the dwelling unit who is responsible for the child.

First Name	Last Name	Age	Signature of Adult Listed to the left, or Signature of Guardian for Minors.	Office Use Only INS VERIF. #
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	

Evidence supplied with this form may be released by the Housing Agency, without responsibility for its further use or transmission, to the Immigration and Naturalization Service for purposes of verification of the immigration status of the individual or to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as required. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is not responsible for the further use or transmission of the evidence or other information.



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing

DEBTS OWED TO PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCIES AND TERMINATIONS

Paperwork Reduction Notice: The information collection requirements contained in this notice have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3520) and assigned OMB control number 2577-0266. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless the collection displays a current valid OMB control number.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS AND PARTICIPANTS OF THE FOLLOWING HUD RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS:

- Public Housing (24 CFR 960)
- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher, including the Disaster Housing Assistance Program (24 CFR 982)
- Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation (24 CFR 882)
- Project-Based Voucher (24 CFR 983)

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development maintains a national repository of debts owed to Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) or Section 8 landlords and adverse information of former participants who have voluntarily or involuntarily terminated participation in one of the above-listed HUD rental assistance programs. This information is maintained within HUD's Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system, which is used by Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) and their management agents to verify employment and income information of program participants, as well as, to reduce administrative and rental assistance payment errors. The EIV system is designed to assist PHAs and HUD in ensuring that families are eligible to participate in HUD rental assistance programs and determining the correct amount of rental assistance a family is eligible for. All PHAs are required to use this system in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 5.233.

HUD requires PHAs, which administers the above-listed rental housing programs, to report certain information at the conclusion of your participation in a HUD rental assistance program. This notice provides you with information on what information the PHA is required to provide HUD, who will have access to this information, how this information is used and your rights. PHAs are required to provide this notice to all applicants and program participants and you are required to acknowledge receipt of this notice by signing page 2. Each adult household member must sign this form.

What information about you and your tenancy does HUD collect from the PHA?

The following information is collected about each member of your household (family composition): full name, date of birth, and Social Security Number.

The following adverse information is collected once your participation in the housing program has ended, whether you voluntarily or involuntarily move out of an assisted unit:

1. Amount of any balance you owe the PHA or Section 8 landlord (up to \$500,000) and explanation for balance owed (i.e. unpaid rent, retroactive rent (due to unreported income and/ or change in family composition) or other charges such as damages, utility charges, etc.); and
2. Whether or not you have entered into a repayment agreement for the amount that you owe the PHA; and
3. Whether or not you have defaulted on a repayment agreement; and
4. Whether or not the PHA has obtained a judgment against you; and
5. Whether or not you have filed for bankruptcy; and
6. The negative reason(s) for your end of participation or any negative status (i.e. abandoned unit, fraud, lease violations, criminal activity, etc.) as of the end of participation date.

Who will have access to the information collected?

This information will be available to HUD employees, PHA employees, and contractors of HUD and PHAs.

How will this information be used?

PHAs will have access to this information during the time of application for rental assistance and reexamination of family income and composition for existing participants. PHAs will be able to access this information to determine a family's suitability for initial or continued rental assistance, and avoid providing limited Federal housing assistance to families who have previously been unable to comply with HUD program requirements. If the reported information is accurate, your current rental assistance may be terminated and your future request for HUD rental assistance may be denied for a period of up to ten years from the date you moved out of an assisted unit or were terminated from a HUD rental assistance program.

How long is the debt owed and termination information maintained in EIV?

Debt owed and termination information will be maintained in EIV for a period of up to ten (10) years from the end of participation date.

What are my rights?

In accordance with the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 USC 552a) and HUD regulations pertaining to its implementation of the Federal Privacy Act of 1974 (24 CFR Part 16), you have the following rights:

1. To have access to your records maintained by HUD.
2. To have an administrative review of HUD's initial denial of your request to have access to your records maintained by HUD.
3. To have incorrect information in your record corrected upon written request.
4. To file an appeal request of an initial adverse determination on correction or amendment of record request within 30 calendar days after the issuance of the written denial.
5. To have your record disclosed to a third party upon receipt of your written and signed request.

What do I do if I dispute the debt or termination information reported about me?

You should contact the PHA, who has reported this information about you, in writing, if you disagree with the reported information. The PHA's name, address, and telephone numbers are listed on the Debts Owed and Termination Report. You have a right to request and obtain a copy of this report from the PHA. Inform the PHA why you dispute the information and provide any documentation that supports your dispute. Disputes must be made within three years from the end of participation date. Otherwise the debt and termination information is presumed correct. Only the PHA who reported the adverse information about you can delete or correct your record.

Your filing of bankruptcy will not result in the removal of debt owed or termination information from HUD's EIV system. However, if you have included this debt in your bankruptcy filing and/or this debt has been discharged by the bankruptcy court, your record will be updated to include the bankruptcy indicator, when you provide the PHA with documentation of your bankruptcy status.

The PHA will notify you in writing of its action regarding your dispute within 30 days of receiving your written dispute. If the PHA determines that the disputed information is incorrect, the PHA will update or delete the record. If the PHA determines that the disputed information is correct, the PHA will provide an explanation as to why the information is correct.

This Notice was provided by the below-listed PHA:

Watertown Housing Authority
142 Mechanic Street
Watertown, NY 13601

**I hereby acknowledge that the PHA provided me with the
*Debts Owed to PHAs & Termination Notice:***

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Supplement and Optional Contact Information for HUD-Assisted Housing Applicants

SUPPLEMENT TO APPLICATION FOR FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING

This form is to be provided to each applicant for federally assisted housing

Instructions: Optional Contact Person or Organization: You have the right by law to include as part of your application for housing, the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or social, health, advocacy, or other organization. This contact information is for the purpose of identifying a person or organization that may be able to help in resolving any issues that may arise during your tenancy or to assist in providing any special care or services you may require. **You may update, remove, or change the information you provide on this form at any time.** You are not required to provide this contact information, but if you choose to do so, please include the relevant information on this form.

Applicant Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Telephone No:	
Name of Additional Contact Person or Organization:	
Address:	
Telephone No:	Cell Phone No:
E-Mail Address (if applicable):	
Relationship to Applicant:	
Reason for Contact: (Check all that apply)	
☐ Emergency	☐ Assist with Recertification Process
☐ Unable to contact you	☐ Change in lease terms
☐ Termination of rental assistance	☐ Change in house rules
☐ Eviction from unit	☐ Other: _____
☐ Late payment of rent	
Commitment of Housing Authority or Owner: If you are approved for housing, this information will be kept as part of your tenant file. If issues arise during your tenancy or if you require any services or special care, we may contact the person or organization you listed to assist in resolving the issues or in providing any services or special care to you.	
Confidentiality Statement: The information provided on this form is confidential and will not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted by the applicant or applicable law.	
Legal Notification: Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) requires each applicant for federally assisted housing to be offered the option of providing information regarding an additional contact person or organization. By accepting the applicant's application, the housing provider agrees to comply with the non-discrimination and equal opportunity requirements of 24 CFR section 5.105, including the prohibitions on discrimination in admission to or participation in federally assisted housing programs on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, and familial status under the Fair Housing Act, and the prohibition on age discrimination under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.	

☐ Check this box if you chose not to provide the contact information.

Signature of Applicant	Date
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The information collection requirements contained in this form were submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The public reporting burden is estimated at 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13604) imposed on HUD the obligation to require housing providers participating in HUD's assisted housing programs to provide any individual or family applying for occupancy in HUD-assisted housing with the option to include in the application for occupancy the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or person associated with a social, health, advocacy, or similar organization. The objective of providing such information is to facilitate contact by the housing provider with the person or organization identified by the tenant to assist in providing any delivery of services or special care to the tenant and assist with resolving any tenancy issues arising during the tenancy of such tenant. This supplemental application information is to be maintained by the housing provider and maintained as confidential information. Providing the information is basic to the operations of the HUD Assisted-Housing Program and is voluntary. It supports statutory requirements and program and management controls that prevent fraud, waste and mismanagement. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Privacy Statement: Public Law 102-550, authorizes the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to collect all the information (except the Social Security Number (SSN)) which will be used by HUD to protect disbursement data from fraudulent actions.