



Housing Choice Voucher Program
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March 1, 2018

Dear Section 8 Participants:

Thank you for choosing the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh (HACP) to be your housing provider. It is the desire of the HACP to provide you with outstanding customer service, to process your paperwork in a timely manner and to provide you with safe and affordable housing.

Please be advised that our re-certification process is a twenty-four (24) month recertification process. When you receive a Recertification Packet, please immediately complete and return the Packet to your Housing Specialist with the requested information. Please note failure to return the information in the requested time may result in termination from the Program. As such, even if you think your recertification is not due, and you receive a Recertification Packet, you must complete and return the Packet as requested.

If you are a person with a disability and require information regarding reasonable accommodation, please contact the 504 ADA Compliance Office at 412-456-5000, ext. 2504. Thank you again for allowing the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh to supply your housing needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Heather T. Gaines'. The signature is stylized with loops and flourishes.

Heather T. Gaines
Director, Housing Choice
Voucher Program

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**Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh
Housing Choice Voucher Program
Recertification Packet**

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* Two Copies (1 for HACP; 1 for Participant)

(Documents 9 and 10 must be signed by each household member 18 years and older.)

RECERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

VERY IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ALL OF THE REQUIRED INFORMATION, YOU WILL BE SENT A NOTICE OF WHAT INFORMATION IS MISSING, AS WELL AS A NOTICE OF TERMINATION. YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION OR YOU WILL LOSE YOUR SUBSIDY IF WE CANNOT RECERTIFY YOUR FAMILY BY THE EFFECTIVE DATE!!!!

Request/Verification for Reasonable Accommodation for Live in Aide (If applicable) _____

Income Verifications for all household members (Wages, TANF/DPA, Child Support, SSI, Social Security, Pension, Unemployment, etc.). Provide all Current Printouts and/or 6 Consecutive Pay Stubs. _____

Childcare Verification _____

Family Composition Form _____

Signed Applicant/Tenant Certification (Fraud) Form _____

Asset Verification (Bank Statement – Checking & Savings), Stocks, etc. Provide Current Statements. _____

Annual Continued Occupancy Form (ACO) _____

***Signed Authorization of Release of Information (HUD Form 9886) _____

Family Obligations (2 copies) _____

Medical Expense Verifications for disabled/elderly (62+) households _____

Zero Income Affidavit (if applicable). Please contact Housing Specialist for forms. _____

Full-time Student Status – For Dependents 18 years of age and older, provide letter from the Registrar's Office verifying full-time student status or a copy of student's current schedule. **Provide Current Statements/Verifications.** _____

***Must be signed by each household member 18 years and older.

All forms must be completed in ink, and packets must be dropped off or mailed into the office. Faxed Copies will not be accepted.

****PLEASE BE SURE THAT THE ITEMS LISTED ABOVE ARE ENCLOSED BEFORE RETURNING YOUR RECERTIFICATION PACKET****



Disability Compliance Office
100 Ross Street, 4th Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Telephone: 412-456-5282
TTY: 412-201-5384
Facsimile: 412-471-0964

Dear Housing Choice Voucher Participant:

Please be advised the following *Reasonable Accommodation Verification Form – Request for Continued Approval of Live in Aide Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program* form is being provided to verify your continued need for a Live in Aide. To confirm this, we will need third party verification of your continued need for this request. Please know HACP never inquires into the nature or extent of your disability. The HACP requires verification of how your request is related to your disability and how it will remove a barrier(s) you face in housing.

IF:

- **YOU WERE NOT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED FOR A LIVE IN AIDE VIA REASONABLE ACOMMODATION, OR**
- **YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED FOR A LIVE IN AIDE VIA REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, BUT THE PERSON YOU SUBMITTED TO HACP FOR LIVE IN AIDE APPROVAL HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY HACP.**

DO NOT fill out the following *Reasonable Accommodation Verification Form – Request for Continued Approval of Live in Aide Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program* form. If you would like to submit a reasonable accommodation request for a Live in Aide, please contact your Housing Specialist.

Once HACP receives the completed verification form back from your Third Party Professional, we will review your request. **Please return the completed form regarding your disability related need within 15 days from the date you submitted your annual reexamination packet to HACP.**

Please be advised that if there are any changes in the person that has been your Live in Aide, you will need to immediately report these changes to your Housing Specialist so the new person can undergo the HACP formal verification process before they can be added as your Live in Aide.

Your Housing Specialist is unable to provide you with assistance regarding your Live in Aide request prior to:

- the Reasonable Accommodation form being completed in full by you and your Third Party Professional,
- the completed Reasonable Accommodation Request form being submitted to HACP for review and approval by the Disability Compliance Office.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Disability Compliance Office at 412-456-5282.

Sincerely,

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REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION VERIFICATION FORM REQUEST FOR CONTINUED APPROVAL OF LIVE-IN AIDE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) Program

Instructions (please review carefully)

- (1) The individual or family member should describe in detail the continued need for a Live-in Aide.
- (2) The Third Party Professional (such as a doctor/nurse, social worker, or service agency counselor) should initial this request if, in their opinion, it has been determined the need still exists due to the individual's or family member's disability. Attach supplemental information if necessary for any requests. Do not include any information about the nature or extent of the person's disability. **DO NOT SEND MEDICAL RECORDS.**
- (3) The third party professional "MUST" complete and sign the form as directed.
- (4) All requests with complete verification documents will be responded to within 30 days of receipt of the completed documents. If the request is denied information will be provided on the right to grieve the denial.
- (5) Please note: this form should be returned within 15 days from the date the requester received it.

Please Complete Release of Information:

Participant _____
(Print the name of the person with the disability)

Date of Birth: _____

I currently reside at _____
(Print patient's full address:)-street apt. no. city state zip code

My phone # _____ Name of the Head of Household _____

By signing this release, I authorize _____
(Name of Third Party Professional, i.e. nurse, social worker, doctor)

to release information to the HACP to verify my disability and the need for an accommodation.

Participant/Guardian (sign name) _____ Date: _____

**If this is for a child with disabilities please print Guardian's name _____ and Guardian should sign above.*

If you are in need of additional assistance or an alternate means of reviewing and understanding this process, please contact the Disability Compliance Staff at 412-456-5282.





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NAME OF PARTICIPANT: _____

EXTRA BEDROOM FOR LIVE IN AIDE: This individual requires a specific person to provide LIVE IN assistance related to a disability (not just visiting help). This process is not to be used as verification for aides who come and go on a rotating basis, such as a caregiver(s) that works specific shifts during the day or night. A live-in aide must meet this HUD definition: A Live in Aide is a person who resides with one or more persons with a disability and who: (1) Is determined to be essential to the care and well-being of the person(s); (2) Is not obligated for the support of the person(s); and (3) Would not be living in the unit except to provide the necessary supportive services. **Please describe the duties of the aide below and initial.**

Name of the Live in Aide: _____ Professional Initial Here: _____

FOR PROFESSIONAL TO COMPLETE

In my professional opinion, the above individual a) has a disability as defined below which creates a barrier to access HACP housing/housing assistance and related programs and services, and b) the requested special features, modifications, and/or change(s) to HACP policy(s) listed above are required to address those barriers in order to allow the above individual full access to HACP housing and related programs and services. *The Fair Housing Act defines a person with a disability as (1) individuals with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities; (2) individuals who are regarded as having such an impairment; and (3) individuals with record of such an impairment.*

Name (print): _____

Title: _____

Organization Name and Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Person to contact with questions about form: _____

I certify that the information I am providing is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge based on my professional training and experience.

Signature of Professional: _____ Date: _____

The certifying professional should return this form to:

HACP - DISABILITY COMPLIANCE OFFICE
Fax Number: 412.471.0964 or Email: ra@hacp.org

Note: It is important that all pages (2) need to be completed and returned within 15 days from the date the requester received them.





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EMPLOYMENT STATUS VERIFICATION

Applicant/Participant Name

Dear Employer:

Regulations require us to verify the incomes of applicants and tenants to establish their eligibility and rent for our Rental Assistance Housing Program. The person identified on this form has told us that he or she is now employed, or has been employed by your firm.

Your completion of this form will help us to determine whether this family is eligible for our housing program. All information will be held in confidence and will be used only in determining eligibility and/or rent and rental subsidy.

We are required to complete our determination within a specified time; therefore, your prompt reply will be appreciated. A return envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Employer's Name

Employer's Phone No.

Employer's Address

City, State, Zip

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I hereby grant the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh permission to make inquiries regarding my income and assets. I understand that this information is for the purpose of determining my eligibility only, and will be kept confidential.

Signed: _____

Date: _____



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VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND GROSS EARNINGS

In accordance with federal law and regulations published by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, it is necessary to verify the sources and amounts of income of each family making application for or receiving rental assistance. Information provided remains confidential and will be used solely for the purpose of determining eligibility for rental assistance and establishing rent in accordance with applicable law and federal regulations.

The following individual has indicated employment with your firm. To assist in the compliance with the above provisions, you are requested to provide the following information:

Employee Name: _____ SS# _____
Presently Employed: YES _____ Date Employed _____
NO _____ Date Terminated _____
Full Time _____ Part Time _____ Title/Position _____

BASIS OF PRESENT PAYMENT

Present hourly rate base pay: \$ _____
Hours per day _____ Number of days per week _____ Average hours per week _____

Present hourly rate, overtime \$ _____
Weekly wage or salary \$ _____
Monthly Salary \$ _____
Piece Work: (average) \$ _____
Commission: (average) \$ _____
Any other compensation not included above (specify for meals, expense allowance, etc.)
For _____ \$ _____ per _____
Tip-estimate \$ _____ Anticipated earnings next 12 months. \$ _____
Amount (if any) deducted from earnings for Medical/Hospitalization Insurance
\$ _____ per _____ (week, bi-weekly, monthly, etc.)

What address do you have in your records for your employee?

Employer

Employer Signature

Date

Title

20__ Gross Income \$ _____

20__ Gross Income to Date \$ _____

PLEASE COMPLETE EACH QUESTION



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VERIFICATION OF CHILDCARE

(All Highlighted Fields must be completed to be accepted)

Name:
Address:
Contact No.:

TO BE COMPLETED BY TENANT

This is to certify that I pay to \$ per week for the care of my child/children while I am employed or while attending school.

Signed: Date:

Are you being reimbursed for childcare from DPA or any other Agency?
Yes No

TO BE COMPLETED BY CHILDCARE PROVIDER

(All Highlighted Fields must be completed to be accepted)

This is to certify that I receive \$ per week from for childcare services.

Names of Children

Age

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

Signed:
Address:

Date:
Phone:
S.S.#:

PLEASE NOTE:

CERTIFICATE STATEMENT

Knowing the penalty for making a false statement under the United States Criminal Code I hereby certify that the above is a true and full statement.

Section 35(a) of the United States Criminal Code makes it a criminal offense, punishable by the maximum of 10 years imprisonment, \$10,000 fine or both, to make false statement or misrepresentation of any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within their jurisdiction. The information provided above was requested by the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh as a verification document.



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FAMILY COMPOSITION & UTILITY INFORMATION

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

- 1) What type of heating do you have in your unit?
Electric Heat _____ or Gas Heat _____
Do you pay for heating? Yes _____ No _____
- 2) What type of range do you have? Gas _____ Electric _____
Do you pay Cooking Gas? Yes _____ No _____
- 3) Do you pay for electricity? Yes _____ No _____
- 4) Is your hot water heater Gas _____ or Electric _____
- 5) Do you pay for Water _____ Sewage _____ Trash _____
- 6) Do you own the range in your unit? Yes _____ No _____
- 7) Do you own the refrigerator in your unit? Yes _____ No _____
- 8) How many bedrooms are in your unit? _____
- 9) Have you had a change in family composition since your last recertification?
Yes _____ No _____
- 10) What type of change has occurred in your unit? _____

- 11) Did you report this change of family members at the time the change took place?
Yes _____ No _____
- 12) Did the person who moved out or moved in have a source of income?
Yes _____ No _____ If yes, did you report this source of income to the HACP?
Yes _____ No _____
- 13) Did you report this change in income to the HACP? Yes _____ No _____
- 14) Do you plan to remain in your present unit? Yes _____ No _____
- 15) **IF YOU ARE TERMINATING YOUR LEASE, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SEND A LETTER OF TERMINATION BY CERTIFIED MAIL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEASE TERMS TO YOUR LANDLORD AND RETURN A COPY OF THE LETTER AND CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT ALONG WITH THIS PACKET.**
- 16) Have you or any family member engaged in drug related criminal activity or violent criminal activity? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, explain: _____

SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM. THIS OFFICE MUST HAVE YOUR PHONE NUMBER, EVEN IF IT IS AN UNLISLTED NUMBER.

Tenant Signature

Address

Phone Number

City, State, Zip

Date

HCV APPLICATION

NAME:

CURRENT ADDRESS: APT. #

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:

HOME PHONE # HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD WORK # SPOUSE WORK #

LIST NAMES, ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS OF TWO RELATIVES OR FRIENDS WHO GENERALLY KNOW HOW TO CONTACT YOU.

1. NAME:

2. NAME:

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

PHONE #

PHONE #

HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION AND CHARACTERISTICS

List the Head of Household and all other members who will be living in the assisted unit. Please give the relationship of each family member to the head.

MEMBER	MEMBER'S FULL NAME	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTH DATE	BIRTH PLACE	AGE	SEX	SOCIAL SECURITY #
HEAD							
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							

Does anyone live with you now who is not listed above? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, please explain:

Is the Head, Spouse or Co-head of this Household disabled? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, your family may be eligible for additional income deductions, housing choices or preferences. HACP may request documentation that your disability meets HUD's definition of disabled in order to verify this status.

Is any member of the Household disabled? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, your family may be eligible for additional income deductions or housing choices. HACP may request documentation that your disability meets HUD's definition of disabled in order to verify this status.

Does anyone in your Household need special communication assistance due to a disability?
Identify any special housing needs (reasonable accommodation) required as a result of the disability:

INCOME INFORMATION

Please answer each of the following questions. For each "Yes" answer, please provide the details in the chart in this section.

	YES	NO
1. Is any member of your household employed full-time, part-time, or seasonally?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does any member of your household work for someone who pays them in cash?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Does any member of your household now receive, or expect to receive unemployment benefits?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Does any member of your household now receive or expect to receive child support?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is any member of your household entitled to child support that he/she is not receiving?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Does any member of your household now receive or expect to receive alimony payments?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Is any member of your household entitled to alimony payments that he/she is not receiving?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Does any member of your household now receive or expect to receive welfare assistance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Does any member of your household now receive or expect to receive Social Security benefits?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Does any member of your household now receive or expect to receive income from a pension or annuity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Does any member of your household receive regular cash contributions from individuals not living in the unit or from agencies?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Does any member of your household receive income from assets including interest on checking or savings accounts, interest and dividends from certificates of deposit, stocks or bonds, income from the rental of property?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Is any member of your household over the age of 18? If so list their income below.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Have you or any household member engaged in drug related criminal activity or violent criminal activity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If yes, please explain and give dates:

For each type of income that your household receives, give the source of the income and the amount that can be expected from the source during the next 12 months.*

FAMILY MEMBER	SOURCE OF INCOME/TYPE OF INCOME	ANNUAL INCOME

*If additional space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper.

ASSET INFORMATION

List all checking and savings accounts (including IRA's, Keogh accounts, and Certificates and Deposit) of all household members, including assets or property sold or given away for less than their worth during the past two years.

FAMILY MEMBER	BANK NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BALANCE

*If additional space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper.

List value of all stocks, bonds, trusts, pension contributions, or other assets:

Do you own a home or other real estate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you sold or given away real property or other assets in the past two years? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, what is the current market value of the assets? _____

EXPENSES

Do you pay for childcare for children 12 years and under, which enables you or another family member to work, seek work or go to school?

☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, list names and ages of children: _____

Address, and phone number of child care provider: _____

Weekly cost of Child Care: _____ Name of member enabled to work, seek work or go to school: _____

Does any person or agency reimburse you or help you with child care costs? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, please list the name(s) or the persons and agencies: _____

Families with a Person with a Disability as part of its family composition only:

Do you pay for a care attendant, service animal or any equipment for the family member with a disability necessary to permit that person or someone else in the family to work?

☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, describe expenses: _____

Families where the Head, Co-Head or Spouse are Disabled and/or Elderly (62 years of age or older) only:

Do you have Medicare or Medicaid? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, what is your Medicare/Medicaid premium? (per year or monthly) \$ _____

Do you have any other type of medical insurance? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, give policy number and carrier's name: _____

Do you expect to have any out of pocket medical expenses during the next 12 months? ☐ Yes ☐ No

COMMENTS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

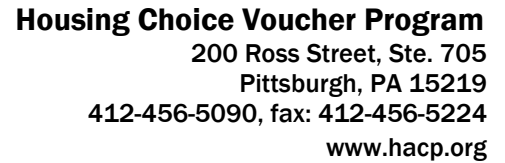
APPLICANT CERTIFICATION: I/We certify that the information given to the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh on household composition, income, net family assets, and allowances and deductions is accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge and belief. I/We understand that false statements or information are punishable under Federal Law.

Signature of Head: X _____ Date: X _____

Signature of Spouse: X _____ Date: X _____

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS: If you believe you have been discriminated against, you may call the Equal Opportunity National Toll-Free Hotline at 800-424-8590.

NOTICE: In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh does not discriminate on the basis of handicap (physical or mental) in the admission of or access to public housing, or in the treatment of employees or applicants for employment. Any discrimination on this basis is illegal.



I/We certify that the information* given to the PITTSBURGH HOUSING AUTHORITY on household composition, income, net assets, allowances and deductions is accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge and belief. I/We understand that false statements or information are punishable under Federal Law.) I/We also understand that false statements or information are grounds for termination of housing assistance and termination of tenancy.

X _____
Date _____

*After verification by this Housing Agency, the information will be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development on form HUD-50058 (Tenant Data Summary), a computer-generated facsimile of the form or on magnetic tape. See the Federal Privacy Act Statement for more information about its use.

UNDER \$5,000 ASSET CERTIFICATION

For households whose combined net assets do not exceed \$5,000.
Complete only one form per household; include assets of children.

Household Name: _____ Unit No.: _____

Development Name: _____ City: _____

Complete all that apply for 1 through 4:

1) My/our assets include:

(A) Cash Value*	(B) Int. Rate	(A*B) Annual Income	Source	(A) Cash Value*	(B) Int. Rate	(A*B) Annual Income	Source
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Savings Account	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Checking Account
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Cash on Hand	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Safety Deposit Box
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Certificates of Deposit	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Money Market Funds
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Stocks	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Bonds
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	IRA Accounts	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	401K Accounts
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Keogh Accounts	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Trust Funds
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Equity in real estate	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Land Contracts
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Lump Sum Receipts	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Capital Investments
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Life Insurance Policies (excluding Term)	_____	_____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Other Retirement/Pension Funds not named above:	_____	_____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Personal property held as an investment**:	_____	_____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	Other (list):	_____	_____	_____	_____

PLEASE NOTE: Certain funds (e.g., Retirement, Pension, Trust) may or may not be (fully) accessible to you. Include only those amounts which are.

*Cash value is defined as market value minus the cost of converting the asset to cash, such as broker's fees, settlement costs, outstanding loans, early withdrawal penalties, etc.

**Personal property held as an investment may include, but is not limited to, gem or coin collections, art, antique cars, etc. Do not include necessary personal property such as, but not necessarily limited to, household furniture, daily-use autos, clothing, assets of an active business, or special equipment for use by the disabled.

- 2) ☐ Within the past two (2) years, I/we have sold or given away assets (including cash, real estate, etc.) for more than \$1,000 below their fair market value (FMV). Those amounts* are included above and are equal to a total of: \$ _____ (*the difference between FMV and the amount received for each asset on which this occurred).
- 3) ☐ I/We have not sold or given away assets (including cash, real estate, etc.) for less than fair market value during the past two (2) years.
- 4) ☐ I/We do not have any assets at this time.

The net family assets (as defined in 24 CFR 813.102) above do not exceed \$5,000 and the annual income from the net family assets is \$ _____. This amount is included in total gross annual income.

Under penalty of perjury, I/we certify that the information presented in this certification is true and accurate to the best of my/our knowledge. The undersigned further understand(s) that providing false representations herein constitutes an act of fraud. False, misleading or incomplete information may result in the termination of a lease agreement.

Applicant/Tenant _____ Date _____ Applicant/Tenant _____ Date _____

PENALTIES FOR MISUSING THIS VERIFICATION

Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. Code states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making false or fraudulent statements to any department of the United States Government, HUD and any owner (or any employee of HUD 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 this verification form is restricted to the purposes cited above. 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 or the owner responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use. Penalty Provisions for misusing the social security number are contained in the Social Security Act at 42 U.S.C. 208 (f)(g) and (h). Violations of these provisions are cited as violations of 42 U.S.C. 408 f, g and h.



Authorization for the Release of Information/ Privacy Act Notice

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

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

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 2501-0014

exp. 07/31/2017

PHA requesting release of information: **(Cross out space if none)**
(Full address, name of contact person, and date)

IHA requesting release of information: **(Cross out space if none)**
(Full address, name of contact person, and date)

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:

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Head of Household	Date		
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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.



Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh

Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) Department

Family Obligations 24 CFR Section 982.551, as amended by MtW

1. The family must supply any information that the HACP or HUD determines is necessary in the administration of the program, including submission of required evidence of citizenship or eligible immigration status (as provided by 24 CFR part 5). "Information" includes any requested certification, release or other documentation.
2. The family must supply any information requested by the HACP or HUD for use in a regularly scheduled reexamination or interim reexamination of family income and composition in accordance with HUD requirements.
 - a. The HACP must receive all applicable documentation within 30 calendar days of the change for a family-initiated interim reexamination.
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3. The family must disclose and verify social security numbers (as provided by part 5, subpart B, of this title) and must sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information in accordance with part 5, subpart B, of this title.
4. Any information supplied by the family must be true and complete.
5. The family is responsible for any Housing Quality Standards (HQS) breach caused by any of the following:
 - a. The family fails to pay for any utilities that the owner is not required to pay for, but which are to be paid by the tenant;
 - b. The family fails to provide and maintain any appliances that the owner is not required to provide, but which are to be provided by the tenant; or
 - c. Any member of the household or guest damages the dwelling unit or premises (damages beyond ordinary wear and tear).
6. If an HQS breach caused by the family is life threatening, the family must correct the defect within no more than 24 hours. For other family-caused defects, the family must correct the defect within no more than 30 calendar days (or any HACP-approved extension).
7. If the family has caused a breach of the HQS, the HACP must take prompt and vigorous action to enforce the family obligations.
8. The family must allow HACP to inspect the unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice, as described in Chapter 8 of the current HACP Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan.
9. The family must not commit any serious or repeated violation of the lease. Under 24 CFR 5.2005(c), an incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking will not be construed as a serious or repeated lease violation by the victim, or threatened victim, of the domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or as good cause to terminate the tenancy, occupancy rights, or assistance of the victim.
 - a. HACP will determine if a family has committed serious or repeated violations of the lease based on available evidence, including but not limited to, a court-ordered eviction, or an owner's notice to evict.
 - b. Serious and repeated lease violations will include, but not be limited to, nonpayment of rent, disturbance of neighbors, destruction of property, or living or housekeeping habits that causes damage to the unit or premises and criminal activity. Generally, the criteria to be used are whether the reason for the eviction was through no fault of the tenant or guests.
10. The family must notify HACP and the owner before moving out of the unit or terminating the lease.
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COMPUTER TRAINING PROGRAM & GED

Our computer-training program offers several resources for our residents. We offer open lab, mobile lab, computer classes, resume assistance, online job search, and online job applications.

The GED Program supports residents who elect to pursue a general education diploma through GED preparation coursework at HACP's Bedford Hope Center.

COMMUNITY LIAISON DIVISION

This division focuses on empowering, and promoting self-sufficiency, through a range of resources, community activities, service provision, and activity agreements (MOU/MOA). We focus on ensuring both providers and employers are in line with HACP policies and procedures to offer the best service possible to our residents.

SELF SUFFICIENCY

What We Do

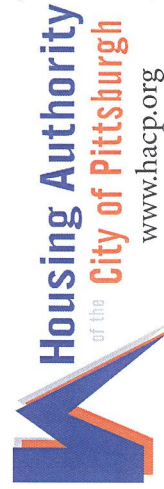
The RSS Department provides supportive service coordination and case management programming for HACP residents.

We assist the residents of both traditional public housing (LIPH) and the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV).

Major goals of the department are to encourage and facilitate self-sufficiency and help provide a higher quality of life.

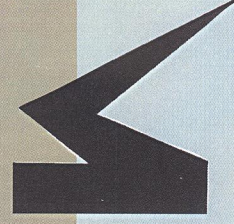
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Resident Self-Sufficiency
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Resident Self-Sufficiency Department

The RSS Department is comprised of six divisions. If you are interested in any of our programs, please contact us at 412-395-3950.

- Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS)
- Resident Relations Specialist (RRS)
- Resident Employment Program (REP)
- Computer & GED Program
- Community Liaison Services
- Administrative Management Services

Our Programs

THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM ~ FAMILY SELF SUFFICIENCY DIVISION:

The FSS Program is a voluntary 5-year program that links residents to resources or different social service agencies that will assist them in accomplishing their goals in order to facilitate upward mobility.

The clients and service coordinators will develop an Individual Training and Service Plan (ITSP) that will outline achievable goals.

Through the continuous contact, Service Coordinators actively track progress and monitor each resident's ITSP.

To successfully complete FSS:

- You must obtain and maintain employment.
- You must be free of cash assistance for a year.
- You must achieve a personalized goals set in ITSP (example, homeownership, GED).

SERVICE COORDINATORS

Service Coordinators recruit and enroll residents into the FSS program, assist the client in developing an ITSP, and manage contact standards outlined by HUD and Department Management.

Service Coordinators also assist residents in obtaining appropriate resources and supportive services according to their ITSP, and serve as liaisons between residents and property management.

RESIDENT RELATIONS DIVISION

Resident Relations focuses on supporting HACP residents in areas of conflict resolution, mental health needs, training, support, etc....

Resident Relations supports community programs, assists with service provision, emergency responses and improving customer service.

The division also develops plans and proposals for community planning activities.

Collaborates with Tenant Council to assist in developing solutions to challenges with the purpose of enhancing the community.

RESIDENT RELATIONS SPECIALIST (RRS)

The Resident Relations Specialists work directly with the Tenant Council Presidents & Property Managers to identify, monitor, and support community programs, and ensure that residents have access to resources.

RESIDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

This division focuses on supporting residents in finding sustainable employment.

Focused on empowering and educating residents in resume building, interviewing and qualifications to match employer search.

The REP program works with residents and resident owned businesses to foster positive relationships between employers and residents.

The program seeks and monitors Section 3 activity Authority wide, and serves on employment teams and committee to support other departments.

THE RESIDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

PROGRAM DESIGN

The Resident Employment Program is a program developed by the Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh (Department of Resident Self Sufficiency) to empower residents to enter into the workforce. This program is to assist residents with resources to become economically self-sufficient.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVED

The Resident Employment Program is responsible for serving all the Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh's Public Housing Communities and HCV residents.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The Resident Employment Program hours of operation are Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 10:00 am – 7:00 pm (Late hours).

RESIDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM'S FUNCTIONS

- Hold recruitment sessions for community members who need assistance in finding employment twice a month at different HACP locations
- Conduct application day twice a month
- Hold annual mega job fairs for community members and Pittsburgh area employers.
- Assist residents with job placement opportunities job referrals
- Assist residents with writing resumes, cover letters and thank you letters
- Assist and refer residents to enter into training and education programs
- Assist residents with interviewing techniques and filling out applications properly
- Provide residents with on-site employer interviews and job fairs
- Assist residents with interview and work clothes
- Make contact with Pittsburgh area employers

RESIDENT EMPLOYMENT CURRENT TRAINING PROGRAMS

- Resident Employment Job Line X 1064
- Pre-Orientation (Construction)
- Green Jobs Training
- Home Health Aide Training
- GED Program
- Computer Training
- Drivers Education Training
- Refer residents to BJWL Training

- Refer residents to Job Corps Program
- Application Day
- Scheduled one on one interviews

SECTION 3 COMPONENTS

- Assist public housing with employment in the construction field
- Pre-Orientation and Orientation sessions are conducted for residents entering the Section 3 Process.
- Hiring Priority
 - 1st – HACP leaseholders from communities where the work is performed
 - 2nd – Residents from adjacent HACP communities
 - 3rd – Residents from communities where work is being performed
 - Residents from the City of Pittsburgh at-large

INTERVIEW PARTNERS

- Family Resources, Inc.
- PNC Bank
- Addecco
- Diversified Health Care
- Job Corps
- Bidwell Training Center
- Mistick Construction
- Honeywell
- J&S Handyman Services
- Service Masters



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Assistance For Persons With Disabilities

The Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh can assist you in accessing suitable housing in the Section 8/Housing Choice Voucher Program if your family includes a person with a disability. We can help.....

1. Request a current listing of available units that are accessible or landlords who lease accessible units.

- The HACP will provide you with the most current listing of accessible units.

2. Ask to speak with a Housing Authority representative about your needs for accessible housing.

- A representative will discuss the housing options with you and assist you in determining your needs.
- The representative will also assist you by contacting any known owners of accessible units to determine if suitable vacancies exist.
- The representative will provide contacts at other agencies that provide specialized services for persons with disabilities.

3. If you are a voucher holder and require additional time to search for housing, ask if you are eligible for a special extension as reasonable accommodation by the Housing Authority.

- A representative will determine if you are eligible for an extension of search-time on your voucher up to a total of 150 days.

4. If the property you choose meets your accessibility needs and has a higher rent, you may qualify for a higher Housing Authority assistance payment.

- Contact your Housing Authority representative if you locate a higher rent property that meets your needs including those relating to your disability; and request a reasonable accommodation.
- Based upon the market value of the property and your special needs, the Housing Authority may approve an exception payment standard, which can make the property more affordable.

5. If you have any other special housing needs, the Housing Authority can help.

- The Housing Authority can provide reasonable accommodations at any time for persons with disabilities to use and enjoy its programs and housing options. You may request a reasonable accommodation by simply contacting your Housing Authority representative.
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