## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

#### What is Section 8 Rental Assistance?

Section 8 is a federally funded program that assists low income families and individuals to rent affordable, decent, and safe housing.

#### How soon can I get assistance?

Once you are placed on the waiting list, it typically takes one to two years to receive assistance. The wait time depends on the amount of funding we receive from HUD.

#### How do I know if I qualify?

The program is income based. If the gross annual income for your household is below the income limits, you qualify.

I recently had to move out of my home and I do not have anywhere to go. Is there emergency housing for me to stay at?

Unfortunately, we do not have any emergency housing programs. The only qualifying factor we use for our program is income. There are no preferences for special circumstances that we are able to offer.

#### What do I need to apply?

Turn in your completed CCHA Housing Choice Voucher Program application along with the following documents:

- Copies of social security cards for ALL household members
- Copies of birth certificates for all household members that are under age 18
- Copies of current government issued ID or driver's license for household members over age 18
- Completed Declaration 214
   Citizenship form for each household member
- Completed criminal/drug history form for all household members over age 18
- Income verification for all household income. (Paystubs, passport to services, benefits letter, etc.)

# CRESCENT CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY

HOUSING CHOICE

VOUCHER/ SECTION 8
PROGRAM

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HOW TO APPLY FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE



### HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER INFO:

#### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

To provide safe, decent, and affordable housing opportunities to all qualifying families and individuals. We are committed to meeting the housing needs of our community in a manner that is respectful, responsible, and professional.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Crescent City Housing Authority is located in downtown Crescent City. We are open Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM, closed on major holidays.

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#### **HOW TO APPLY**

If you meet the income limits listed below, you are income eligible and should fill out an application to be placed on the waiting list.

Applications can be obtained at Crescent City Housing Authority (CCHA) office, or online at www.crescentcity.org/housing

Turn in the completed application along with all required documents (Documents needed are listed on the front of the application) to CCHA.

We will process your application, and if approved, you will be notified by mail, and placed on the waiting list. \*Wait list is currently one to two years, depending on income\*

#### **INCOME GUIDELINES**

FAMILY SIZE	GROSS ANNUAL INCOME
1	\$21,000
2	\$24,000
3	\$27,000
4	\$29,950
5	\$32,350
6	\$34,750
7	\$37,150
8	\$39,550

## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN GET TO THE TOP OF THE WAIT LIST?

- When your name gets to the top of the list, we will send you a letter to notify you.
- You will be asked to fill out a final eligibility packet, and turn in current information to confirm that you are eligible.
- Once final eligibility is determined, you will be invited to a final appointment at which time you will be issued your voucher!
- As a voucher holder, you are able to start looking for a place to rent on the open market. You may rent from private owners as well as real estate agents as long as they accept our program.

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#### **HELPFUL TIP:**

 ALL changes to your household, income, and contact information MUST be reported to CCHA within ten (10) days. This ensures that you are on the right waiting list, and that we will be able to contact you when you reach the top of the list.

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