

How to locate and apply to all your Low-Income Housing Options in minutes



1. **This is a free resource! Just follow the directions on the next page.**
 2. **Did you know: there are over 40 different types of *Subsidized, Affordable, and Special Needs* Housing? (see below)**
 3. **www.HousingWorks.net is the **only place you can search and apply to all low-income housing in onesweep.****
1. Public Housing, federally-funded - usually Housing Authorities
 2. Public Housing, state-funded - Chapter 667 housing
 3. Public Housing, state-funded - Chapter 200 housing
 4. Public Housing, state-funded - Chapter 705 housing
 5. Public Housing, state-funded - Chapter 689 housing (special needs)
 6. Public Housing, Congregate housing systems – various populations
 7. Public Housing, state-funded - MRVP project-based vouchers
 8. Public Housing, state-funded - AHVP project-based vouchers
 9. Private Housing - MRVP project-based vouchers
 10. Private Housing Congregate housing systems – various populations
 11. Homeownership options with a voucher
 12. Non-Profit Subsidized and Affordable Assisted Living Facilities
 13. Privately managed Subsidized and Affordable Assisted Living Facilities
 14. Non-Profit Subsidized Non-Profit Nursing Home Elderly / Nursing Home Non-Elderly
 15. Cooperatives - affordable homeownership and rental
 16. Deaf or Blind Modified apartment units (across Public and Privately managed housing)
 17. Environmental Sensitivities ESU (across Public and Privately managed housing)
 18. "Disabled/Handicapped" Housing: "wheelchair only" or "units for person with any disability"
 19. Domestic Violence Transitional Housing and Safe Houses
 20. Privately managed Subsidized Elderly - a minimum age of 55, 60, or 62!
 21. Ex-Offender Housing options - "Halfway Houses" or private landlords who work with *Corrections*
 22. Federal subsidized Private Managed Developments (1300+)
 23. State Subsidized - Private Managed 1300+ Developments
 24. State For-Profit affordable housing (generally private landlords)
 25. HIV specific housing – can be transitional or permanent
 26. Homeownership options for First-Time or Local Residents
 27. Private Housing, federally-funded non-profits
 28. Private Housing, state-funded non-profits - (some overlap with Federally funded)
 29. Inventory in bordering states
 30. Mobile Home Parks (an affordable option)
 31. Non-Profit Housing, MRVP mobile vouchers
 32. Non-Profit Housing, AHVP mobile vouchers
 33. Non-Profit subsidized housing programs
 34. Permanent sober housing (Oxford House and other models)
 35. Rural Housing - USDA funds many subsidized apartments in 'rural' areas.
 36. Private small landlords with less than market rate units
 37. Section 8 *Designated* Housing Programs (individual with disability, under 62)
 38. Section 8 *Mainstream* Housing Programs (family with disability)
 39. Section 8 mobile voucher
 40. Temporary Assistance Programs: "HomeBase" "RAFT" "RRH" "HP" etc.
 41. VASH vouchers (for Veterans and families of veterans)
 42. Federal and State Funded Privately Managed Veterans Housing
 43. Federal and State Funded Non-Profit Managed Veterans Housing
 44. Shelters and Transitional Programs (State/Federal, City, Non-Profit)

Get more copies of these instructions at:

http://www.infoweb.org/HousingAdvocate/Housing_Search_Instructions_from_HousingWorks.net.pdf

http://www.infoweb.org/Income_Categories.pdf

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→ Go to: <https://www.housingworks.net/search/housing>

→ On the Search Page, **complete Steps 1, 2 and 3** (most people should skip Step 4)

1

WHERE DO YOU WANT TO SEARCH?

2

WHAT SIZE UNIT / WHAT KIND OF VOUCHER DO YOU WANT?

3

WHAT TYPE OF HOUSING DO YOU WANT?

Read the brief instructions for step, else you will miss out on many of your best housing options!

→ Click the Search button at the bottom of the page and wait for your results!

→ **Crucial Last Steps – ignoring these steps will mean you will wait longer to get housed:**

- a. Click and read the red-colored link: "Which of these housing options can you afford?"
- b. Narrow your results to either "Subsidized" or "Affordable"
- c. Download the applications. Type your answers, then print – or else print and complete by hand
- d. Some applications have a button on the last page – click it to see if you skipped anything!

→ **Optional Last Steps - these will save you time during your search:**

- a. **Print** the results pages before you download any applications. Use these printed pages to keep a record of "where and when you applied."
- b. Check which properties offer a **Priority Status – or better yet, sort** the results by the last column to see if there is any housing with a short waitlist or actual vacancy (not very common)
- c. **Right-click the name of each property** to read additional information about the property;
- d. On each application, **consider typing your answers before printing the application**. Many applications get rejected if the handwriting is hard to read, and typing will avoid that problem.
- e. Once you print an application, **mail it as soon as you finish it**: waitlists can close at any minute!
- f. When you download an application, **don't save a copy of it**. Properties change their application all the time and will reject older versions. You always get the current version of an application on HousingWorks.
- g. **Never fax or email an application**: 95% of properties will reject applications unless they are mailed.
- h. **The address to mail each application is always in the same place, near the top of the first page**.
Always include this page when you mail applications: it helps you and it helps the landlord in too many ways to explain.

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