

RECERTIFICATION APPLICATION FOR CONTINUED OCCUPANCY OR RENTAL ASSISTANCE

INTRODUCTION

Federal regulations require that recipients of federal housing assistance recertify their family composition, income, assets and deductions annually to ensure that your portion of the rent is calculated correctly.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete this Application for Continued Occupancy or Rental Assistance so that we can re-confirm your family's information and recalculate your rent contribution.

In addition to completing the application, you need to complete and sign the following forms:

- 1. LHA Authorization for Release of Information
- HUD Authorization for Release of Information / Privacy Act Notice Form 9886 for Section 8 and Public Housing; or Form 9887 & 9887-A for other Managed Properties
- 3. Other releases as required by the assistance program

Please review the application carefully and answer all required questions fully and accurately. If you cannot fit all of the information in the space provided, add additional sheets. Incomplete applications will be returned to you. Failure to complete this form and to return the information by the due date is a violation of your lease or family responsibilities and is a basis for lease or rental assistance termination. If you have changes in your income or family members after you have complete dand submitted this Application, it is very important that you notify LHA with the updated information. If we complete your Annual Recertification with inaccurate information it could result in your being charged a back rent amount at a later date, due to this unreported change. It is your responsibility to always report any changes within ten (10) days of the change. False statements or information are grounds for eviction or termination of rental assistance.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL: LEEDS HOUSING AUTHORITY 205-699-6223 EXT. 6

AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED THIS APPLICATION, KEEP THIS PAGE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.



PRIVACY DISCLOSURE

All information in applicant and tenant files is considered to be confidential, except that LHA may disclose information in tenant or applicant files to other public agencies, utility companies or non-profit organizations in furtherance of the operations or business of LHA. LHA may also disclose information relating to the tenancy of former LHA tenants and program participants to landlords who are seeking references and to credit bureaus. Medical information and information concerning a disability of any tenant or applicant will not be disclosed by LHA to any person or organization without a written release from the tenant or applicant in question.

Except for disclosure of information to landlords seeking references and to credit bureaus, any tenant or applicant who wishes to limit disclosure of information by LHA as provided above must notify the Executive Director of his/her wishes in writing.

LHA will keep all information received involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking confidential, unless the victim requests or consents in writing to disclosure, the information is required in an eviction proceeding or disclosure is otherwise allowed by law. In addition, LHA will comply wit the provisions of confidentiality laws and regulations that apply to LHA.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The Leeds Housing Authority (LHA) will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Executive Order 11063; Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988; The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and with the laws of the State of Vermont prohibiting discrimination in public accommodations and in employment practices, and all related rules, regulations and requirements thereunder.

The LHA will not on account of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, place of birth, age, U.S. military veteran status, familial status, marital status, disability, gender identity or gender related characteristics, deny to any person the opportunity to apply for admission, nor deny to an eligible applicant the opportunity to lease or rent a dwelling suitable for its needs. Further, in the selection of tenants, there will be no discrimination against persons otherwise eligible for admission because their income is derived in whole or in part from public assistance. LHA will not discriminate against selected tenants, and discrimination by one tenant against another is unacceptable and will not be condoned.

The information regarding race, national origin and sex designation solicited on this application is requested in order to assure the federal government that federal laws prohibiting discrimination against applicants on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, familial status, age, and handicap are complied with. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. This information will not be used in evaluating your application or to discriminate against you in any way. However, if you choose not to furnish it, the owner is required to note the race/national origin and sex of individual applicants on the basis of visual observation or surname.

DISCLOSURE TO APPLICANTS AND PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS WITH DISABILITIES

Leeds Housing Authority's policies and practices are designed to provide assurances that persons with disabilities will be given reasonable accommodations, upon request, so that they may fully access and utilize our housing programs and related services. LHA will consider requests for Reasonable Accommodations from persons with disabilities in order to afford them an equal opportunity to obtain the same result, to gain the same benefit or to reach the same level of achievement as those who do not have disabilities.

All of LHA's applications, forms, annual recertification questionnaires, etc. may be requested in an alternative format. Additionally, persons with disabilities may request that our annual recertification interviews, and other meetings, be held in private or at their apartment.

IF YOU NEED TO REQUEST A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, SUCH AS NEEDING ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION, PLEASE CONTACT US AT (205) 699-6223 ext. 2.

Making a difference, one family at a time





1630 Moores Street Leeds, Alabama 35094 phone: 205-699-6223 fax: 205-699-2208

RECERTIFICATION

APPLICATION FOR CONTINUED OCCUPANCY OR RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Please complete all sections. Incomplete applications will result in the application being returned to you.

	HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD AND CURRENT ADDRESS									
Nаме		FIRST		L	AST			MIDDLE INITIAL/MAIDEN NAME		
		PO BOX / STREET			DRESS	STREET ADDRE				
Mailing Addres		CITY/TOWN STATE/ZIP CODE			PHYSICAL ADDRESS	CITY/TOWN STATE/ZIP CODI	r			
		STATE/ZIF GODE			Рну	STATE/ZIF CODI	L			
E-MAIL	ss			(<u>a</u>					
Teleph Number		HOME		W	ORK			PAGER/CELL PHONE		
	HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION List all persons who will be living in the household when you receive rental assistance. Use additional sheet if necessary.									
		Name	RELATION	SOCIAL SECURITY	-		DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH		
1			Head							
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										
Yes	No	Do you expect any additions to the household within the next twelve (12) months?								
	-	NAME AND RELATIONSHIP:								
		EXPLANATION:								
		Do you have full custo	ody of your child(ren)?						
		EXPLANATION:								
		Are there any absent	household memb	ers who, under norma	l circumstand	es, would live:	with you, such as a fa	mily member away in military duty?		

EXPLANATION:

Include	HOUSEHOLD INCOME Include all income or financial benefits anticipated for the next twelve months, received by ALL household members, regardless of age. Any 'Yes' for questions 1 – 16 requires a detailed explanation in the table below											
Yes	No			Do YOU or ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD RECEIVE OR EXPECT TO RECEIVE INCOME FROM:								
		1.		Employment wages or salaries? Including overtime, tips, bonuses, commissions and payments received in cash								
		2.	Self-er	nployme	ent?							
		3.	Regula	ar pay a	s a member of the Armed Forces?							
		4.	Unemp	oloymen	t benefits or worker's compensation?							
		5.	Genera	al Assis	ance, Aid to Needy Families with Children	(ANFC)?						
		6a.	Any AV to reme	Child Support or alimony? Any AWARDED amounts, collected to uncollected. We must count court-ordered support whether or not it is received, unless legal action has been taken to remedy. We must also count support that is not court-ordered, or received directly from the payor.								
		6b.	Yes	No	How is the support received?	NAME OF AGENCY						
					Child Support Enforcement Agency	NAME OF AGENCY						
				NAME OF COURT								
				Directly from Individual NAME OF PERSON								
			C Other Explain:									
		6c.	□ □ If money is not actually received, are you taking legal action to remedy? Explain:									
		7.	Social	Security	I SSI or any other payments from the Soci	ial Security Administration?						
		8.	Vetera	n's ben	efits, pensions, retirement benefits or annu	ities?						
		9.	Severa	ance pag	yments?							
		10.	Settlen	nents, s	uch as insurance settlements?							
		11.	Disabil	ity, dea	th benefits or life insurance dividends?							
		12.	Ŭ	U	r payments from anyone outside the house							
		13.	Educat	tional gr	ants, scholarships, or other student benefi	ls?						
		14.	,		gs or inheritances?							
		15.			n rental property, land contracts or other fo							
		16.	3		me sources or types not listed, such as: for	•						
		17.	Do yoι	Do you or any household member expect any changes to your income in the next twelve (12) months?								

QUESTION NUMBER	Family member	INCOME SOURCE AND ADDRESS	Αμουντ

Yes

No

ZERO INCOME VERIFICATION

Are YOU or any other ADULT family member claiming zero income? If yes, who:

Include	all asse	ts held	ASSET INFORMATION and the corresponding annual interest rate, dividends, and/or other income derived from the asset. An asset is defined as a lump sum amount that you hold and currently have access to.
Yes	No		Do YOU or ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HOLD:
		1.	Checking or savings accounts?
		2.	CDs, money market accounts or treasury bills?
		3.	Stocks, bonds or other securities?
		4.	Trust funds?
		5.	Pensions, IRAs, KEOGH or other retirement accounts
		6.	Cash on hand over \$500?
		7.	Real estate, rental property, land contracts/contract for deed or other real estate holdings? This includes your personal residence, mobile homes, vacant land, farms, vacation home or commercial property.
		8.	Personal property as an investment? Including paintings, coin or stamp collections, artwork, collector or show cars and antiques.
		9.	A safe deposit box?

QUESTION NUMBER	Family member	Asset	Account Number	Түре	Annual Interest Rate	Amount

Yes

DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

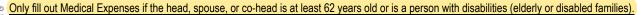
Have you or any family member disposed of or given away any asset(s) for LESS than fair market value within the past two years? If Yes:

FAMILY MEMBER:

AMOUNT:

EXPLANATION:

No



MEDICAL EXPENSES

If you are <u>elderly and/or disabled</u> and pay all or part of your medical expenses, you may be entitled to an allowance to offset your portion of the rent. Please list the pharmacies, doctors, dentists, hospitals, medical equipment suppliers and insurance providers which *you* must make payment to (which is not reimbursed by insurance), so we can verify your out of pocket expenses.

Doctors,		
DENTISTS AND		
HOSPITALS		
Pharmacies		
EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS		
Health / Medical Insurance	Premium	Mthly/Qtrly/Yearly
INSORANCE		
MEDICARE MEDICAID		
OR BOTH		
MEDICARE ID #		
LIFELINE Emergency Response		

List bot		RE EXPENSES 5. Other sources can include SRS, welfare, or a parent not part of the household.
CHILD CARE PROVIDER	NAME AND ADDRESS	YOUR WEEKLY COST:
		OTHER SOURCES PAYMENT:

STUDENT INFORMATION

Yes No

If any adult (18 years of age or older) in the household currently a full-time student, or planning to be one within the next 12 months? If Yes, list the name of the student and the school. You will need to provide verification from the school

STUDENT NAME

NAME OF SCHOOL

	CRIMINAL INFORMATION								
Yes	No								
		а.	details of the cr	ny family member been charged with or convicted of a crime during the past year? If Yes, give rrime, when it took place and where?					
			Family Member			CRIME			
			WHEN			DETAILS			
			WHERE						
				NAME			RELATIONSHIP		
EMERC									
IF POSSIBLE, LIST SOMEONE IN THE AREA WHO IS NOT PART OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD		Address							
				Town/City			State	ZIP CODE	
				Phone Number					

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information given on this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that false statements or information is punishable under Federal Law. I also understand that false statements or information are grounds for denial of my application or termination of my assistance.

Head of Household	Date
Co-Head of Household	Date
Other Adult	Date
Other Adult	Date

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I/we consent to allow Leeds Housing Authority and LHA Development LLC to request and obtain information from third party sources relevant and necessary for the processing of my application for federally assisted housing, for the periodic determination of my rental obligations, and for the periodic determination of my continued eligibility for housing.

Sources that may be contacted and that are authorized to release requested information include, but are not limited to: income and benefit sources, asset sources, sources for eligible deductions from income (pharmacy/prescription, doctor, dental expenses, medical insurance, etc), landlords, credit bureaus, character references, personal references, utility companies, social service providers, courts, police departments and corrections departments.

Copies of this authorization shall have the same force and effect as the original.

This authorization shall remain effective for the duration of my receipt of rental assistance from the Leeds Housing Authority.

Head of Household	Signature	Date
Spouse	Signature	Date
Other family member, age 18 or older	Signature	Date
Other family member, age 18 or older	Signature	Date
Other family member, age 18 or older	Signature	Date

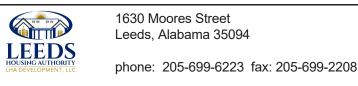


Authorization for the Release of Information/ **Privacy Act Notice**

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. 1/31/2014



Leeds, Alabama 35094

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.

Statement of Family Obligations Leeds Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

I,______ (please print name/s), as a head of household and participant in the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV or Program), administered by Leeds Housing Authority (LHA), fully understand and agree, on behalf of myself and my family, to comply with all of the following Family Obligations to remain eligible for continued rental assistance under the Program:

- 1. The family must supply any information that LHA or HUD determines to be necessary, including submission of required evidence of citizenship or eligible immigration status.
- 2. The family must supply any information requested by LHA or HUD for use in a regularly scheduled reexamination or interim reexamination of family income and composition.
- 3. The family must disclose and verify social security numbers and must sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information in accordance with part 5, subpart B, of 24 CFR §982.551.
- 4. The family must report all increase in income of \$200 or more to the LHA within 10 days of the change occurring. (reporting is considered filling out the interim application)
- 5. Any information supplied by the family must be true and complete.
- 6. The family is responsible for any Housing Quality Standards (HQS) breach by the family caused by failure to pay tenant-provided utilities or appliances, or damages to the dwelling unit or premises beyond normal wear and tear caused by any member of the household or guest per§982.404(b).
- 7. The family must allow LHA to inspect the unit at a reasonable time and after reasonable notice. I understand that the property owner/landlord will be given a copy of all inspections.
- 8. The family may not commit any serious or repeated violations of the lease. Serious and repeated lease violations will include, but not be limited to, nonpayment of rent, disturbance of neighbors, destruction of property, living or housekeeping habits that cause damage to the unit or premises, and criminal activity that is the fault of the tenant or guests.
- 9. The family must pay utility bills and provide and maintain any appliances that the owner is not required to provide under the lease
- 10. The family must notify the PHA and the owner before moving out of the unit or terminating the lease per §982.354(d).
- 11. The family must promptly give LHA a copy of any owner eviction notice.

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- 12. Regarding Occupancy and Use of the Unit:
 - a. The family must use the assisted unit for residence by the family. The unit must be the family's only residence.
 - b. The composition of the assisted family residing in the unit must be approved by LHA and listed on the lease. The family must promptly notify LHA in writing of the birth, adoption, or court-awarded custody of a child. The family must request LHA and Landlord approval to add any other family member as an occupant of the unit. No other person (i.e., nobody but members of the assisted family) may reside in the unit (except for a foster child or live-in aide as provided in Family Obligation 11b of this form.)
 - c. The family must promptly notify LHA in writing if any family member no longer lives in the unit.
 - d. If the LHA has given approval, a foster child or a live-in aide may reside in the unit. The LHA has the discretion to provide or deny this approval based on policies and definitions set forth in its Administrative Plan.
 - e. The family must not sublease the unit, assign the lease, or transfer the unit.
 - f. The family may, subject to landlord approval, engage in legal profitmaking activities in their unit, if such activities are incidental to primary use of the unit for residence by members of the family and do not impact their neighbors' right to peaceful enjoyment of their unit.
- 13. Guests are limited to staying in the assisted unit no more than 15 consecutive days, or a total of 30 days in a 12-month period. Any person whose stay exceeds either the number of permitted consecutive or total days will be considered to be living in the unit as an unauthorized household member, in violation of these Family Obligations.
- 14. The family must supply any information or certification requested by the LHA to verify that the family is living in the unit or information related to family absence from the unit.
- 15. The family must promptly notify LHA when all the family is absent from the unit. Written notice must be provided to the LHA at the start of the extended absence, which is defined as any period greater than 30 calendar days.
- 16. The family must not own or have any interest in the unit, (other than in a cooperative and owners of a manufactured home leasing a manufactured home space).
- 17. Family members must not commit fraud, bribery, or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with the program.
- 18. Family members and their guests must not engage in drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity or other criminal activity that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.
- 19. Members of the household must not engage in abuse of alcohol in a way that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of the other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.

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- 20. An assisted family or members of the family must not receive HCV program assistance while receiving another housing subsidy, for the same unit or a different unit, under any duplicative federal, State or local housing assistance program.
- 21. A family must not receive HCV program assistance while residing in a unit owned by a parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the family, unless LHA has determined (and has notified the owner and the family of such determination) that approving rental of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.

For purposes of the above statements, I understand the term "family" is interchangeable with "household" and includes a group of persons residing together (24 C.F.R. § 5.403) in my assisted unit. I also understand that serious or repeated violation(s) of any of the above Family Obligations caused by myself, as head of household, any member of my family or household (whether approved or unapproved), or any guest staying in my unit, may lead to the termination of the family's rental assistance provided on my behalf by LHA, under the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Signature of Head of Household/Date

Signature of Co –Head of Household /Date