



ESPLANADE GARDENS, INC.

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MEMORANDUM

To: All Shareholders & Residents of Esplanade Gardens, Inc.
From: Tony Rookard, Property Manager
Cc: Board of Directors, DB & FG of Metro Mgmt. Dev.
Date: January 5, 2023
Re: HPD Section 8 Vouchers & Rental Assistance Programs.

We have just been informed that HPD is no longer able to issue new Section 8 vouchers to shareholders who may now qualify for their Section 8 program.

We realize that the November, 2022 and January, 2023 maintenance increases may have imposed new budget constraints within your household, however, HPD is now saying that the funds are no longer available for these vouchers.

There are various rental assistance programs that remain available for eligible households, and although the deadline to apply for rental assistance through the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF) has passed, they are still accepting names to be added to their waiting list. There is a possibility that funds will become available at a later date.

You can access the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund at www.nyhomeownerfund.org or by calling 1-844-776-9423 Monday-Friday 9am to 5pm.

Shareholders that are in arrears, or behind on their monthly maintenance carrying charges can also apply for NYC Emergency Assistance or One Shot Deal through the Human Resources Administration at <https://access.nyc.gov/programs/one-shot-deal/> or by calling the HRA Infoline at 1-718-557-1399 Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm.

Please be further advised that you may be eligible for a Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption subsidy as a result of this increase, if, as of May 1, 2022, you (or your spouse), live in the apartment, are head of the household, are 62 years of age or older, have a combined household annual household income of \$50,000/year or less and spend more than 1/3 of your monthly income on rent. You may obtain a SCRIE application (with more information/instructions) in the Management Office or by calling HPD's SCRIE Unit at 212-863-8494 (and leaving a message) or emailing HPD's SCRIE Unit at scrie@hpd.nyc.gov. Please visit the Esplanade-Gardens.com website for more information, look under "Resources".

If you have any questions/concerns, please contact the Management Office. Thank you.