



HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (SECTION 8) PROGRAM
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PORT-OUT REQUEST FORM

In order to move to another Public Housing Authority's (PHA) jurisdiction, while retaining your Housing Choice Voucher assistance, the Head of Household must complete and return this form to the JCHA program along with a Lease Termination Agreement.

TENANT INFORMATION	
Head of Household:	Entity ID:
Current Address:	Cell/Home Phone: Work Phone:
Reason for requesting a portability:	
If you are an applicant, were you a resident of Jersey City at the time of admission into the program: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If you are a participant, have you been receiving assistance at Jersey City for at least one year: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Is a family member currently enrolled in the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
HOUSING AUTHORITY INFORMATION	
State:	County: City:
Name and Address of new Housing Authority (PHA):	(optional) Name of Portability Officer: Fax: Phone number:

I understand that to process this request, the Jersey City Housing Agency will forward to the PHA listed above any and all paperwork in my client file that it deems necessary. I further understand that this request is subject to certain eligibility requirements by both the Jersey City Housing Choice Voucher Program and the new housing agency, and that my request may be denied should I fail to meet these requirements (JCHA requirements listed on page two of this form.)

Head of Household Signature

Date

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Date request received: _____	Date PHA Contacted: _____
Date Client Contacted: _____	Person Contacted: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Client is in good standing with the JCHA	<input type="checkbox"/> Receiving PHA will absorb
Client <input type="checkbox"/> owes <input type="checkbox"/> does not owe money to a housing authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Receiving PHA will bill
Amount: \$ _____ Agency: _____	Date of Admission: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Client approved to port:	
_____ Housing Specialist Signature	_____ Date



AM I ELIGIBLE TO MOVE INTO A UNIT IN A DIFFERENT HOUSING AUTHORITY?

In order to move through the portability feature of the Jersey City Housing Choice Voucher program, you must meet the following eligibility requirements:

Participant, you...

1. Have lived in your current unit for at least a year, except in emergency cases;
2. Have not moved within the previous 12 months;
3. are not currently in violation of the program obligations;
4. Do not currently have an *Intent to Terminate Notice* issued to you;
5. Do not have an open RFTA ;
6. Do not have any current tenant-caused HOS violations;
7. Have a fully executed repayment agreement if you owe money to an HCV program;
8. Are up-to-date on your payments under an existing repayment agreement;
9. Have completed your annual recertification within the past 12 months;
10. Have provided income information for verification including Social Security/SSI benefits, child support, unemployment, etc.;
11. Have provided a picture ID for all adults in the household, as well as Social Security cards and birth certificates for all household members; and
12. Meet all the eligibility requirements of the housing agency to where they would like to port.

Applicant, you...

1. Have been a resident of Jersey City for at least one year at time of admission into the program;
2. Have provided income information for verification including Social Security/SSI benefits, child support, unemployment, etc.;
3. Have provided a picture ID for all adults in the household, as well as Social Security cards and birth certificates for all household members; and
4. Meet all the eligibility requirements of the housing agency to where they would like to port, including income limits and payment standards.

WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS IN THE PROCESS?

STEP 1: Upon receipt of request, JCHA will verify that you are eligible to port-out according to the requirements listed above. If you are eligible to port, you will be scheduled for an appointment with our portability specialist to discuss your case. If you are not eligible to port, you will receive written notice of the agency's decision.

STEP 2: Portability specialist will provide you with a portability eligibility packet, which you must complete and return to us. It is your responsibility to contact your chosen housing agency to obtain the necessary information in order for your paperwork to be submitted to them and provide this information to us.

STEP 3: Once all documents are in and we have received landlord confirmation that you may move, you will be scheduled for Voucher Issuance Briefing where you will receive your portability voucher and RFTA packet. The voucher time is 90 days with two possible 30 day extensions upon approval.

STEP 4: You begin to search for unit in the area to which you desire to move and submit the RFTA packet to the new housing agency you have chosen.

WHAT IS THE PROCESSING TIME?

Processing time is 15-30 days, provided we receive all the necessary requirements from you in a timely manner.

HOW CAN I OBTAIN A LISTING OF AVAILABLE HOUSING AGENCIES?

You may visit the HUD website:

https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/public_indian_housing/pha/contacts

