



Affordable Housing Hints

What are the different types of affordable housing?

- Subsidized Apartments - You will pay roughly 30% of your income. Minimum/maximum incomes may apply.
- Tax Credit - A set amount for rent. Minimum/maximum incomes may apply.
- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher - Must apply through a Housing Authority. Voucher can be used in any pre-approved apartment. Income limits apply. *There is a long waitlist.

What are the income requirements?

- Each property has a different income requirement based on federal poverty limits.
- Assets are considered when determining the cost of rent. Please reach out to each property regarding their policy.

What about waitlists?

- There is no limit to the number of property waitlists you can be on.
- Each property has its own waitlist. The wait time for each property is varied and can range from immediate openings to years.
- Most properties are not able to tell you where you are on the waitlist.
- The Southern Maine Agency on Aging is not informed of waitlist durations.

How do I get started?

- Most properties require an application to be placed on a waitlist. You can call the property management company to receive an application or you may find it online.
- It is suggested to keep a list of all of the properties you've applied to and date you applied. *If you move or change your telephone number you will need to call to update your information on the waitlist.

What if I need help completing applications?

- A Southern Maine Agency on Aging Resource Specialist would be happy to assist you with completing applications. Please call (207) 396-6500 to schedule an appointment.

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Local Housing Authorities

Biddeford Housing Authority

22 South St
P.O. Box 2287
Biddeford, ME 04005
(207) 282- 6537

Sanford Housing Authority

17 School St
P.O. Box 1008
Sanford, ME 04043
(207) 324-6747
<http://sanfordhousing.org/>

Maine State Housing

353 Water St
Augusta, ME 04330
353 Water St, Augusta, ME 04330
<http://www.mainehousing.org/>

South Portland Housing Authority

100 Waterman Drive
Suite 101
South Portland, ME 04106
(207) 773-4140
<http://www.spha.net/>

Portland Housing Authority

14 Baxter Blvd
Portland, ME 04101
(207) 773-4753
<http://www.porthouse.org/>

Westbrook Housing Authority

30 Liza Harmon Drive
Westbrook, ME 04092
(207) 854-9779
<http://westbrookhousing.org/>

York Housing Authority

4 Pine Grove Lane
York, ME 03909
(207) 363-8444
<http://www.yorkhousing.info/>

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