



**For Immediate Release**

## **Public Notice: Availability of Emergency Housing Vouchers via Referral by UNITY of Greater New Orleans**

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) announces that one-hundred six (106) Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHVs) are available for **individuals and families who are homeless; at risk of becoming homeless; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or recently homeless and for whom rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability and are referred by UNITY of Greater New Orleans.** *Please note that only pre-applications from **families who are referred by UNITY of Greater New Orleans** will be accepted. Furthermore, submission of a pre-application does not guarantee eligibility or an offer of housing under the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.*

### **Who is Eligible?**

- **The individual or family must be referred by UNITY of Greater New Orleans and fall into one of the categories listed below:**
  - Homeless;
  - At risk of becoming homeless;
  - Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or
  - Recently homeless and for whom rental assistance will prevent the individual or family's homelessness or having high risk or housing instability.
- Eligibility is based on household income, citizenship, and the ability of the family to meet screening requirements.
- HANO does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, familial status or disability.

### **How to Apply**

1. **If you believe you may qualify for an Emergency Housing Voucher, you should contact UNITY of Greater New Orleans.**
2. **HANO must receive a referral from UNITY of Greater New Orleans.**
3. **The referral from UNITY of Greater New Orleans will include a pre-application with basic household information.**

**Important:** If you are an individual with disabilities and need assistance with this process please, contact HANO's Admissions Department at (504) 670-3284 to make any necessary arrangements. You can also

call HANO if you have any questions regarding this process or if you do not speak English and need translation assistance.

**Placement on the Waiting List**

- Upon referral from UNITY of Greater New Orleans or the New Orleans Family Justice Center, the referred individual or family will be placed on HANO's Emergency Housing Voucher waiting list.
- Applicants will be placed on the list based off of date and time that the referral and pre-application are received.
- Once you are placed on the waiting list, waiting time is determined by applicant order on the waiting list and availability of Emergency Housing Vouchers.

To request a reasonable accommodation, contact the Client Services Department at (504) 670-3434. To utilize HANO's TTY/TRS number, dial (504) 670-3377.