



Pre-Application-Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Rental Assistance Program

Applications may be made in person on Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm. Applications will be mailed to interested families upon request. Persons with disabilities who require a reasonable accommodation in completing an application may call the MMCDC/Housing to make special arrangements to complete their application. A Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) is available for the deaf. If you have limited English Proficiency and require free language assistance, please notify us.

This application works with all areas of Becker County-**Outside the city limits of Detroit Lakes**. If you wish to live in the city limits of Detroit Lakes, please apply with the Detroit Lakes HRA.

Our agency has established local preferences, which affect an applicant's position on our Waiting List. To qualify for a preference, one of the following must apply:

- **First Preference**
Displaced person(s): Individuals of families displaced by government action or whose dwelling has been extensively damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster declared or otherwise formally recognized pursuant to Federal disaster relief laws.
- **Second Preference**
Applicants with an adult family member who either lives or works or has been hired to work in the (county or municipality) of the Becker County EDA.
- **Third Preference**
When a Housing Choice Voucher is offered to a current Becker County EDA Public Housing tenant, who is over-housed.
- **Fourth Preference**
No Preference – Non-residents of Becker County will be served on a first come, first serve basis after those applicants with a preference have been serviced.

To be eligible for Section 8 Rental Assistance you must:

- Meet income guidelines & policy requirements
- Provide Social Security Numbers and copy of card for ALL family members
- Pass a criminal background check

Please note:

- You must notify our office in writing of any changes in family status, income, or address. Failure to do so will result in the application being dropped from the waiting list. Should your mail be returned to our office as unable to forward, your application will be dropped from the waiting list.
- Section 8 Rental Assistance is not an entitlement program; program participation is contingent upon compliance with the rules and regulations of the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to find a rental unit that is not located in another Housing Authorities jurisdiction, nor can a family member own it.
- Applicants must live in the MMCDC / Housing jurisdiction for a minimum of 12 months.
- We do not maintain a listing of rental units "Approved" for our program
- While on the assistance program, families generally pay 30% of their gross income for rent.
- Income is calculated by gross income, not net income. Child support, alimony, etc. are all considered income. IF YOU EXCEED THE INCOME LIMITS, YOU WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR THIS PROGRAM.

2024 INCOME LIMITS FOR SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE

#Persons	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income	\$32,100	\$36,700	\$41,300	\$45,850	\$49,550	\$53,200	\$56,900	\$60,550

