

Housing Assistance is available in Humboldt County!

City of Eureka Housing Authority County of Humboldt Housing Authority 735 West Everding Street Eureka, CA 95503 707.443.4583



Our Mission

The mission of the Housing Authorities is to assist low-income families with safe, decent, and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to achieve self-sufficiency and improve the quality of their lives. The Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient, ethical, and professional manner, and treating all clients with dignity and respect. The Housing Authority will create and maintain partnerships with its clients and appropriate community agencies in order to accomplish this mission.

Who We Are

We are two housing authorities that assist over 1,200 families with making rent more affordable. Our staff support eight different programs that are designed to reduce the amount of a household's income that goes to rent, so they may afford life's other necessities.

How To Get Assistance

The majority of our programs are accessed by applying for assistance and being placed on our waitlist(s). All waitlists are open!

Applications are available in person during open office hours, via our website, or call to request an application be sent to you. (707.443.4583 x210)

Help is available by appointment for people who need it when completing applications (incomplete applications are not accepted).

County of Humboldt Housing Authority Programs – Voucher Rental Assistance

HCV ("Section 8") – The HCV program has an open waitlist, and anyone may apply. After a preliminary screening to determine initial eligibility, applicants will be put on the wait list. Vouchers may be "ported" to other jurisdictions for out-of-county use.

Mainstream – Eligible families must have at least one adult member of the household who is disabled and non-elderly (between 18-61). Voucher recipients are selected one of two ways: they may be pulled from our regular waitlist or referred by a local Continuum of Care (CoC) participating agency.

VASH – Veterans are screened by calling CalVET, Nation's Finest, or HUD-VASH to determine eligibility. HUD-VASH caseworkers prioritize qualified applicants, who are referred to the Housing Authority for further screening, then issued a voucher if they meet program requirements.

EHV – Emergency Housing Vouchers are issued by referral only from the CoC or from HDVS. Assistance is specifically for those who are homeless, recently homeless, at risk of homelessness, or fleeing domestic violence, stalking, or sex trafficking. A dedicated caseworker helps voucher recipients find housing, successfully utilize the voucher, and obtain services.

PBV – Vouchers that are project based, instead of tenant based, stay with the unit, ensuring a development will provide affordable rents for up to 20 years. Application is by site-based list.

<u>City of Eureka Housing Authority</u> Low-income Affordable Rentals

Public Housing – We own and manage 198 units of public housing in the city of Eureka. Sites are scattered throughout Eureka, with approximately half of them near the vicinity of WinCo (Harris Street).

We have 1-, 2-, 3-, and 4-bedroom units. Some units have accessible features. Rents are determined based on household income. Additionally, we provide space for the local Boys and Girls club and a substation for the Eureka Police Department.

Eureka Family Housing – Three sites make up this 50-unit property: 1112 E Street, 615 West Hawthorne Street, and 735 P Street. These are 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom units. Some units have accessible features. Rents are determined based on household income. These units are subsidized through a project-based subsidy under HUD's Section 8 program and subject to California Tax Credit rent limits.

Eureka Senior Housing – 22 senior units for residents 62 or older are owned and managed on scattered sites in Eureka on C Street, E Street, and I Street. Units are subject to California tax credit rent limits, and also have an in-house subsidy. HCV assistance may be utilized in these units.

Please call our office at 707.443.4583 for further information or visit https://eurekahumboldtha.org

Incentives for Tenants

All programs:

- Rent is based on income
- Units are inspected annually

Public Housing:

- Low deposits (\$300 or less)
- On-call maintenance
- Community Liaison helps resolve issues
- Online bill-pay available
- Credit reporting available
- Flat rents available (rent doesn't increase with increase in tenant income)

Voucher Programs:

- Participants choose where to live
- Tenant can move with continued assistance, even out of state (subject to portability limitations)
- Housing Advocate can assist with paperwork, housing search
- PBVs after one year, participants are eligible for a tenant-based (moving) voucher, if requested.

Incentives for Landlords

- Units are regularly inspected; landlords are encouraged to attend inspections with tenants
- Housing Advocate helps resolve landlord-tenant issues and answer program questions
- Pre-inspections upon request
- Financial incentives for certain lease-ups (EHVs), up to \$1,000 per lease
- FULL regular monthly rental payments; no rental loss due to tenant's loss of income during pandemic or other times (subject to tenant reporting)
- Tenants screened for criminal background
- Free advertising for available units

VAWA – Violence Against Women Act

VAWA protects applicants, tenants, and program participants from being evicted, denied assistance, or terminated from assistance based on acts of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against them. VAWA protection is available to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

General & Contact Information

Our lobby is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Business hours are weekly Monday-Thursday, 8:00-5:30, and Fridays alternating 8:00-4:30 and closed.

Please call our main line during business hours at (707) 443-4583 if you need assistance.

Address: 735 West Everding Street Eureka, CA 95503

We have a payment drop box by our front door for easy submission of any amounts payable.

Paperwork drop box is located at west side of building (near corner of Everding & Prospect).

Call our main line at (707) 443-4583, then Caseworkers are based on client last name:

Davina (A-Gr)	x216
Kristi (Gu-Pr)	x227
Ana (Pu-Z)	x233
EHV program	572-9255
Accounting	x235
Housing Advocate Jennifer	x217
Work Orders	x223

Front desk for all other questions regarding Housing Authority services...... x210