



PUBLIC NOTICE
THE LAKE METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Hereby announces the opening of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List. Preliminary applications (Pre-Applications) will be available at the Lake County Fairgrounds, 1301 Mentor Avenue, Painesville, Ohio, in the 4-H Building from Tuesday, September 8th through Friday, September 11, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 pm. The following income limits will be used to help determine applicant's eligibility for assistance.

INCOME LIMITS:	Family Size	Maximum
	1	\$36,300
	2	\$41,500
	3	\$46,650
	4	\$51,850
	5	\$56,000
	6	\$60,150
	7	\$64,300
	8	\$68,450

Pre-applications MUST be mailed to (envelopes provided):

LAKE METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
P.O. BOX 1760
Painesville, OH 44077

Phone: (440) 354-3347 ext. 32

PRE-APPLICATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED THROUGH DELIVERY TO THE PO BOX LISTED ABOVE. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT PICK-UP LOCATION OR BY DROP OFF AT THE LMHA ADMINISTRATION OR OTHER PROPERTY LOCATIONS.

Only pre-applications postmarked between Tuesday, September 8th through Friday, September 11th will be accepted. One pre-application per family. Duplicate pre-applications received will void ALL pre-applications received for that particular family. Pre-applications will be distributed to everyone who requests one.

Pre-applications are used to collect the information necessary to make a preliminary eligibility determination only. After LMHA determines that the applicant is preliminary eligible, we will then place applications into a lottery system. There is no limit to how many preliminary applications the Housing Authority will be accepting, however, only 2,000 will be selected for the LMHA waiting list. The lottery system that LMHA is utilizing works as follows: each pre-application is numbered and processed in a database. Once completed (two to three weeks) an outside source will select 2,000 pre-application numbers at random and applicants will be placed on the wait list according to the order that they are randomly selected from the lottery. Qualifying preferences will be determined after the pre-application is selected from the lottery and position on the wait list will reflect qualifying preferences and/or lottery number. A notice will be sent via first class mail to the address provided on the preliminary application informing them of their status (either chosen from the lottery and placed on the waiting list, or not chosen by the lottery and not placed on the waiting list). Once placed on the wait list, each applicant will be asked to complete a full application in its entirety for further eligibility determinations. Please be aware, that placement on the waiting list does not indicate that the family is, in fact, eligible for assistance. A final determination of eligibility will be made when the family is selected from the waiting list. **Selection from the waiting list will occur as vouchers become available. LMHA has not received any additional vouchers or additional funds to increase the voucher size.**

-Writing must be clear and legible. Pre-applications that cannot be read, or are not filled out completely, will be disregarded.

-The applicant is solely responsible for notifying the Housing Authority in the event that there is any change to their address that is provided on their submitted pre-application. All business will be conducted through U.S. mail, if the applicant cannot be contacted, their name will be removed from the waiting list.

-In order for a family to meet the Department of Housing and Urban Development qualifications for eligibility, at least one member of the family MUST be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or an eligible immigrant and have the capacity to enter into a lease under state/local laws. No exceptions, and this will be verified by LMHA.