Announcement and Public Notice

The Oakland Housing Authority (OHA) announces the availability of a limited number of Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHVs) awarded through the American Recovery Plan Act of 2021.

Who is Eligible?
Individuals or families in at least one of the following categories are eligible:
- experiencing homelessness;
- at risk of experiencing homelessness;
- fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or
- were recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family’s homelessness or having high risk of housing instability.

EHVs in Alameda County
Alameda County Coordinated Entry will refer eligible families to OHA that meet the prioritization requirements. If you are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness or experiencing any of the conditions listed above, you can call 2-1-1 or stop by one of the resource centers listed below for an assessment. OHA will only accept referrals from Alameda County Coordinated Entry.

When will vouchers be issued?
Referrals for Emergency Housing Vouchers are coming through Coordinated Entry and are part of the COVID response efforts in our County. As such, Coordinated Entry is following the “Temporary Resource Prioritization Policy During COVID19” passed by the Alameda County HUD CoC Committee. A summary of the first priority population is as follows:

a. Persons in Project Roomkey/Safer Ground will be prioritized first for these resources.

b. It is the intention that individuals currently fleeing domestic violence or other forms of gender-based violence and Transitional Age Youth (TAY) will be allocated Emergency Housing Vouchers according to the percentage represented in the Point in Time (PIT) count. People in these focus populations may be referred from Roomkey or by other population-specific shelters and service providers.

Given the number of individuals in this priority population, it is unlikely that accessing Coordinated Entry at this time will lead to a match to this particular resource. It is not possible to receive a direct referral for an EHV by calling a housing resource center or 2-1-1.

Questions: Reach out to EHV@acgov.org.

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Los servicios de traducción en 151 idiomas están disponibles en todas las oficinas sin ningún costo.

To request interpretation services call (510) 874-1653. TDD number (510) 832-0633.

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