

NOTICE OF PORTABILITY

WHAT IS PORTABILITY?

Portability – is the ability of a family to move from a Housing Authority's jurisdiction to another location.

Portability was developed to broaden housing choices for low-income families by allowing Voucher holders to move to areas outside of minority and poverty concentration. The outcome of individuals exercising portability varies; however, some families have experienced increased satisfaction with neighborhood safety and schools, and increased job opportunities. One particular note is that the preliminary evidence regarding portability shows that children of families moving to the suburbs reach higher levels of school achievement.

The HACB's policy to allow families to utilize their Voucher for portability and permit the family to move from one assisted unit to another as long as:

- 1. The family has not violated the Family Obligations listed in CFR 24 section 887.401;
- 2. The family owes no outstanding debts to HACB or another Housing Authority; and
- 3. The family has not move under portability with the last 12-month period.

PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW TO MOVE UNDER PORTABILITY PROVISION

- 1. Submit a copy of the 30-day Notice of Intention to Vacate (HACB form) signed by you and current landlord.
- 2. Notify HACB of the area to which you wish to move.
- 3. Complete the attached Formal Request for Portability form.
- 4. The HACB will forward your information to the new Housing Authority/Agency.
- 5. You will need to schedule and intake appointment with the new Housing Authority/Agency.

PLEASE BE AWARE

- 1. It is your responsibility to find a Housing Authority/Agency operating a Section 8 Voucher program with jurisdiction over the area in which you wish to move.
- 2. The Voucher Payment Standard and Utility Allowance that will be used to in calculating your rent will be the Housing Authority/Agency where you reside.
- 3. The New Housing Authority/Agency may have different policies or occupancy standards that can change the bedroom size on your Voucher.
- 4. The New Housing Authority/Agency may elect to "absorb" you into their program and issue one of their Vouchers.







FORMAL REQUEST FOR PORTABILITY

I, _____, hereby formally request that a portability transfer package be sent to the Housing Authority/Agency listed below.

Full official Name of Housing Authority/Agency	Name of Authority/Agency Contact Person
Full Street or Mailing Address	Telephone Number of Contact Person
City, State, and ZIP Code	Authority/Agency FAX Number
X Signature of Client	Date
Social Security Number	
Forwarding Address:	
New Telephone No.: () (or message number)	



