Landlord Incentive Program

Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program

MDHA has received funding allowing for an incentive program to encourage owners/landlords of property located in Nashville, Davidson County to rent their units to homeless individuals and families who have been determined eligible for rental assistance under the MDHA Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program.

Under the incentive program, a landlord who executes a Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contract with MDHA on behalf of an EHV family will be eligible for a $1000 lease signing bonus. In addition, a landlord may receive additional bonuses of:

* $500 for up to 5 units if a new landlord to the MDHA Section 8 program, or a landlord who previously participated but has not received assistance payments from MDHA in the previous 12 months; and
* $500 for any unit located in a low-poverty census tract. A low-poverty census tract is defined as a census tract where the poverty rate is at or below 20% based on the most recent Census Bureau data.

The incentive will apply only to cases in which a landlord and a new EHV participant enter into an initial lease and MDHA executes a Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contract on behalf of a new EHV participant. The payment will be issued to the owner/landlord via direct deposit into their bank account of record.

If you wish to make a unit available to a qualified EHV individual or family, please contact Norman Deep, Director of Rental Assistance at 615-252-6517 or [ndeep@nashville-mdha.org](mailto:ndeep@nashville-mdha.org).

Please note landlords who rent to EHV families will also be eligible for the landlord mitigation fund administered by the Metro Homeless Impact Division. Under this program, a landlord is eligible for up to two months rent, not to exceed $2000, in case of turnover, and up to $1000 for damages above and beyond the security deposit. MHID will also have a dedicated phone line for landlords to call for mediation and additional support regarding any issues during the tenancy. For more information on this program, see <https://mhidnashville.weebly.com/uploads/1/3/2/5/132545490/lrmf_flyer_525.pdf>.