

## LANDLORD BENEFITS

### Why do landlords like working with the Enfield Housing Authority?

The Enfield Housing Authority is among the original public housing authorities in the state of Connecticut having been organized in 1948. Early development was focused on building 174 moderate rental units. During the 1960's, 70's and early 80's, 240 apartments for the elderly were constructed. The Enfield Housing Authority also pioneered the congregate housing model for the "frail elderly" by establishing 42 units in the early 1980's and later added 40 additional units in 1992. The Enfield Housing Authority also administers 195 federal Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (including VASH and Mainstream vouchers).

Over the past decade, the Enfield Housing Authority staff and commissioners have worked diligently to meet the housing needs of the community and have strived to be the local leader in affordable housing by developing and managing programs while forging partnerships that result in high performing, sustainable and fiscally responsible housing.

Landlords gain several benefits from participating in our Housing Choice Voucher program. Consider the following advantages:

Eliminate advertising costs. Working with our program gives you access to a pool of ready-to-rent tenants. Just contact us when you have a vacant unit, and we'll match you up with a family that is looking for housing.

Security deposits. Our organization aims to help individuals get back up on their feet. We have found that many low-income families can afford the monthly rent but have difficulty saving enough money for their security deposit. As a result, we help families with resources to acquire this one-time payment.

Rent payments. Should one of our families lose income, we perform an interim change and increase the Housing Assistance Payment, if needed.

Clients are attached to needed services. Some of our families have special needs, but we work with our families on an ongoing basis to make sure they have the support they need to succeed. We work with families to correct past mistakes and prevent future problems, and through our network of partners, families have access to an array of supportive services.

Problem prevention through annual home visits. Our staff conduct annual home visits to ensure that families are stabilized in their new environments, that their jobs are going well, and that they are getting the support they need.

Neutral party to mediate problems. Despite the best efforts, problems are sometimes inevitable. However, when problems arise, it can be reassuring to know that there is someone to call. We care as much about our relationship with our landlords as we do our families. We need everyone to make our program work. The job of our staff is to be a neutral party, ensuring that everyone is treated fairly and that problems are resolved quickly and impartially.

Satisfaction from helping others. Everyone deserves a safe and affordable place to live. Some people make mistakes, but everyone deserves a second chance. By helping house our families, you are playing an integral role not only in helping individuals take charge of their lives, but also in making your community a better place to live.

Interested but still unsure? Feel free to call us at anytime. We'd love to hear from you!

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