THE TOPEKA HOUSING AUTHORITY

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Housing Authority to Close Section 8 Program to New Applicants

The Topeka Housing Authority will stop accepting pre-applications for the Section 8 Rental Assistance program as of 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 28, 2014.

The Topeka Housing Authority uses an admission preference for working families living in Topeka. This means rental assistance is first made available to Topeka families whose head of household, spouse or sole member is employed and wages are received on a regular basis. Applicants are given the benefit of the working family preference if the head of household, spouse, or sole member is age 62 or older, or is a person with a disability

If a family wishes to stay in their current rental home or apartment the dwelling must meet housing quality standards, have reasonable rent, and the landlord must be willing to enter into a contract with the Section 8 program.

Interested landlords should contact the Topeka Housing Authority for more information at 357-8842.

The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program provides assistance with monthly rent costs to low income working families, with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Topeka's Section 8 Housing Choice Rental Assistance Program currently provides help with monthly rental costs to more than 1,200 Topeka families served by more than 400 private sector landlords.

N*o family or individual is denied the equal opportunity to apply for or receive program assistance on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, age, marital status, handicap or disability.*

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