New 2019 Income Limits

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HUD Released New Income Limits

Effective 4/24/2019

Greetings!

HUD released the 2019 Income Limits on April 24, 2019; this is also the date of implementation. Income limits are determined and revised by HUD annually. Therefore all new certifications with an effective date of 4/24/2019 or after will need to include these limits.

Please review the new income limits at:

https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html

Just a friendly reminder that Income Limits are typically only applicable at Move-In prior to approving applicants for tenancy. I say typically because there are some circumstances where income limits are considered at Initial Certification per R1, C4, Paragraph 3-4 of the 4350.3. Therefore, your current tenants who are already receiving subsidy will not be affected by this change.

Please feel free to contact me at courtneyo@ihfa.org if you have any questions regarding the new income limits and/or how they will impact your new applicants.

April is Fair Housing Month

HUD’s Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) is introducing the “Call HUD” campaign for 2019 which highlighted sexual harassment by landlords, property managers, and maintenance workers in HUD-assisted housing. The objective of this campaign is to educate the public on how to identify sexual harassment and what to do if they have experienced sexual harassment where they live. This is intended to ensure individuals feel safe and secure in their homes without fear of unwanted sexual advances.

Each year, HUD collaborates with their fair housing partner organizations to bring awareness and education to the public about their housing rights in hopes to end discrimination in subsidized housing.

Please reference the HUD handbook 4350.3 chapter 2 for a refresher on the Fair Housing Act, Protected Classes, Reasonable Accommodations, and Civil Rights Act of 1968.

Community Conversations:

I’ve received several inquiries from a number of properties inquiring on how to appropriately handle Landlord/Tenant discordances. I have included the link to the Attorney General’s Office below and hope it will be a good resource going forward on how to handle these type of situations, as I know they are frequent.

https://www.ag.idaho.gov/consumer-protection/consumer-manuals/