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#### **Tenant Selection Plan**

Osborne Place Apartments is a 64-unit affordable residential community in Pacoima, California, that provides housing for homeless individuals and families diagnosed with mental illness, without regard to race, color, creed, sex, creed, religion, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability or handicap status, familial status (presence of children in a household), age, ancestry, marital status, military status, source of income, acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS-related conditions (ARC), sexual orientation or preference, gender identity or any other arbitrary personal characteristics.

Osborne Place Apartments will be home to sixty-two Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) housing program households, including individual and/or household members with diagnosed chronic mental illness, per a licensed professional in accordance with Los Angeles

County of Mental Health standards. Of these special-needs households, thirty-four (34) are designated for persons who are chronically homeless, and the remaining twenty-eight (28) are for persons who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness.

"Chronically Homeless" is defined by LAHD's permanent supportive housing program guidelines.

"Homeless" is defined by the McKinney-Vento Act.

"At Risk of Homelessness" is defined by MHSA Housing Program as individuals discharged from institutional settings including hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, psychiatric health facilitie4s, skilled nursing facilities with a certified special treatment program for the mentally disordered, mental health rehabilitation centers, and crisis and transitional homes. The target population is adults 18 years of age and older at 30% AMI for the County of Los Angeles.

The targeted population will require intensive services especially in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, health care, legal advocacy and pro-active outreach and engagement. Intensive mental health services will be provided by LACDA through its network of directly operated and contract providers.

All units will include project-based vouchers. Households will pay 30% of their gross annual household income as rent as determined by the City of Los Angeles Housing Authority (HACLA). Los Angeles Family Housing (LAFH) is





the provider of tenant supportive services and will provide tenants with linkages to resources.

Special marketing outreach consideration will be given to special needs populations. Los Angeles Family Housing and Osborne Place Apartments' management staff will be responsible for outreaching to community agencies serving special needs populations. As early as possible, comprehensive application materials will be made available to these agencies. LAFH and Osborne Place Apartments' management staff will coordinate with staff at these agencies who will be working with clients to apply for housing.

LAFH and Osborne Place Apartments management staff will provide information about all aspects of the application process to eliminate as many obstacles to applying as possible. This will enable clients of these agencies to anticipate and positively address issues such as providing identifications, birth certificates, criminal background reports and other applicable supportive documents needed to complete the application process.

### **NON-SMOKING POLICY**

Smoking is permitted in designated outdoor smoking common areas only. Smoking is not permitted in individual units nor any indoor area.

Osborne Place Apartments does not provide or guarantee a smoke-free environment but shall take reasonable steps to enforce this policy. Tenants are responsible for the conduct of their guests and invitees while they are on the Property. Repeated violation of this policy may result in the termination of the Lease/Rental Agreement.

#### REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

Osborne Place Apartments is an Equal Opportunity Housing Facility, admitting applicants in accordance with local, state and federal Fair Housing laws, and in accordance with applicable program regulations of the State of California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC), Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the City of Los Angeles Housing Department.

Management staff operates and administers the property to enable persons with disabilities (physical and/or mental) to have equal access to participate in the program. Osborne Place Apartments will ensure effective communications with applicants, tenants, and the public to ensure that policies regarding how the property is operated do not adversely affect applicants, tenants, and the public.

Management will apply the same screening criteria to all applicants. In determining whether to deny admission because of action or failure to act by members of the family, management will consider mitigating circumstances relating to the disability of a family member and the effects of denial or termination of assistance on other family members who were not involved in the action or failure to act. If the family includes a person with a disability, management's decision concerning termination





or denial is subject to consideration of reasonable accommodation in accordance with 24 CFR Part 8.

When a family member requires an accessible feature(s), policy modification, or other reasonable accommodation to accommodate a disability, Osborne Place Apartments will provide and pay for the requested accommodation unless doing so would result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of the program or an undue financial and administrative burden.

A reasonable accommodation is a change, exception, or adjustment to a program, service, building or dwelling unit that will allow a qualified person with a disability to:

- 1. Participate fully in a program.
- 2. Take advantage of a service; or
- 3. Live in a dwelling.

To show that a requested accommodation may be necessary, there must be an identifiable relationship, or nexus, between the requested accommodation and the individual's disability.

The requirement to provide a reasonable accommodation is always present throughout the tenancy of a person with disabilities, including during lease enforcement. Reasonable Accommodation Request forms are available upon request from management but are not required to make a reasonable accommodation request.

The person named below has been designated to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in the Department of Housing and

Urban Development's regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR, part 8 dated June 2, 1988).

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You may contact the TTY line for those with a hearing impairment by calling the California Relay Service at (888) 877-5379. The LA County Housing Resource Center website (<a href="http://housing.lacounty.gov/">http://housing.lacounty.gov/</a>) is another resource for applicants/tenants with mobility and/or audio or visual impairments.

In addition, you may request that a Case Manager (CM) be assigned to you to help you with the application process. Services offered by the CM include:

- Explaining and filling out the application form.
- Obtaining supportive documents need to complete your application.
- Attending the property management interview with you.
- Help with the appeal process.
- Help with a reasonable accommodation.

Osborne Place Apartments will conduct targeted marketing to special needs populations, as described above. In conducting targeted marketing, Osborne Place Apartment will follow all applicable fair housing and non-discrimination legislation and regulations.





#### **PRIVACY POLICY**

It is the policy of Osborne Place Apartments to guard the privacy of individuals conferred by the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, and ensure the protection of such individuals' records maintained by management.

Therefore, neither Osborne Place Apartments nor its agents shall disclose any personal information contained in its records to any person or agency unless the individual about whom information is requested shall give written consent to such disclosure.

This privacy policy in no way limits management's ability to collect such information as it may need to determine eligibility, compute rent, or determine an applicant's suitability of tenancy.

Consistent with the intent of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, any information obtained on disability will be treated in a confidential manner.

### **INCOME LIMITS**

To qualify for a unit, the household's gross income may not exceed the maximum income limit per household size. To meet program requirements, persons cannot pay more than the rent limits less utility allowance established for the project.

The income limits are designed to be consistent with the requirements of the financing programs and regulatory

agreements governing the property, which for Osborne Place Apartments include the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC).

All applicants must meet certain underwriting guidelines. This project is subject to the requirements of several funding sources. The attached income maximums reflect these requirements to the best of management's knowledge at this time but is subject to change if required for compliance with law, regulations or policy changes.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Referrals for the sixty-two (62) Permanent Supportive Housing PSH) units are supported through the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) in coordination with Los Angeles Family Housing (LAFH) lease agency of the Coordinated Entry System (CES). Referrals must meet any/all CES baseline requirements that they are homeless and meet the eligibility screening process including criminal background check in order to qualify for the participating program.

Occupancy in the Permanent Supportive Housing unit is restricted to homeless individuals and families or homeless households living with mental illness. Units targeting households living with mental illness must include a member diagnosed with a qualifying disability by a licensed practitioner in accordance with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) standards.





All potential tenants for Osborne Place Apartments will be referred from the CES. As approved by HUD, CES will be used as the waiting list and referral process for all new applicants. Vacancy forms will be submitted through the Clarity system for each vacant apartment listing the eligibility criteria dependent upon lender requirements. Referrals that meet the eligibility criteria will be provided back to the manager by a CES Matcher. At this point, the applicant is interviewed by Osborne Place Apartments management staff and screened for program and screening criteria eligibility. Applicants will be informed in writing of denial or approval.

If the applicant fails to meet the eligibility criteria or request to discontinue the screening process because they are no longer interested, the Matcher will be notified, and another applicant will be referred. All persons with an interest in housing will be directed to the local Service Plan Area (SPA) CES agency to be assessed for placement within the CES database. Applicants who are denied will be informed of their option to appeal the decision. With the approval of the applicant, the referring case manager will also be notified.

Approved applicants will be offered only one apartment. Mitigating circumstances may be considered, such as an emergency or hospitalization. In such case, if an applicant cannot accept an apartment, the applicant would be referred to CES.

#### **REFERRAL AND INTAKE PROCESS**

The referral process begins with the completion of

Osborne Place Apartments Housing Intake form. The form may be completed by the applicant's referring case manager or licensed practitioner. Upon receipt of the completed Housing Intake Form and the approved housing certification form(s), LAFH will perform a preliminary review to determine whether, based on the unverified information, the applicant/household appears to eligibility tenant criteria. the the meet applicant/household does not appear to meet the tenant eligibility criteria, a UTA (Unable to Accommodate) letter will be sent to applicant/household and/or referring case manager. If the applicant/household appears to meet the eligibility criteria an application package instruction sheet will be sent. The application package will include the following:

- 1. Instructions to access and complete the online Application for Admission. LAFH staff is available to assist with the completion of the online application.
- 2. Agency Certification of Homelessness
- 3. Certification of Residence in a Homeless facility
- 4. Certification of Chronic Homelessness (2 pages)
- 5. Certification of Disability
- 6. Consent to Release Information Form
- 7. HMIS consent form
- 8. Needs Assessment form

Completed application packages should be returned with copies of the following:

- 1. Current applicable verification of income:
  - a. Most current tax return (last two years if self-employed).



- b. The most recent 3 months of pay stubs for all employed household members.
- c. Most current: Award Letter (recipients of SSI); Notice of Action (General Relief, AFDC; Welfare or any other social services agencies.
- d. Six consecutive months of bank statements for checking accounts.
- e. Most current bank statements for savings account and all other asset accounts.
- f. The latest statement from any retirement / pension / IRA / 401k plan for those household members who participated in such a plan.
- 2. A letter on the referral agency letterhead supporting Certification of Homelessness information and detailing homelessness history.

All referred applicants/household who meet the above qualifications will be referred to Osborne Place Apartments for program eligibility verification. Upon receipt of applicant/household information, Osborne Place Apartment's management staff will complete the eligibility verification (i.e. verify income, conduct background check, etc.)

3. Applicants/households will be initially interviewed by the Resident Manager or a representative of the Management Agent. Copies of current picture ID and social security card will be made during the interview.

All applicants/households that have completed income and meet program qualification will be referred to HACLA

in order to determine eligibility to occupy a unit at Osborne Place Apartments per the subsidy requirements. HACLA staff will:

- Determine Section 8 Project Based Eligibility per HUD and HACLA regulations and policies.
- Process all applicants through their internal criminal background check program

Osborne Place Apartment's management staff will inform the applicant in writing of denial or approval.

At the request of applicant/household, a reasonable accommodation request will be considered. In addition, with the approval of the applicant/household, the referring case manager will be given an opportunity to appeal any application denial based on information obtained from criminal record checks. However, all applicants will have to demonstrate that they meet program requirements.

### **DEFINITIONS**

Homeless means an individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and an individual who has a primary nighttime residence that is supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the mentally ill); an institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or a public or private place not designated for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.



Chronically Homeless means a homeless individual with a disability, who (i) lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter; and (ii) has been homeless and living as described (i) of this definition continuously for at least 12 months or on at least 12 months and each break in homelessness separating the occasions included at least 7 consecutive nights of not living as described in (i).

Stays of institutional care facilities for fewer than 90 days will not constitute as a break in homelessness, but rather such stays are included in the 12-month total, as long as the individual was living in or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or an emergency shelter immediately before entering the institutional care facility.

Mental Illness means a person with a mental disorder as identified in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, other than substance use disorder or acquired traumatic brain injury pursuant to subdivision 4354.

As a result of the mental disorder, the person has substantial functional impairments or symptoms, or a psychiatric history demonstrating that without treatment there is an imminent risk of decompensation to having substantial impairments or symptoms. For the purposes of this part, "functional impairment" means being substantially impaired as the result of a mental disorder in independent living, social relationships, vocation skills, or physical condition.

LAFH is responsible for screening all supportive housing applicants/households for program eligibility. Once LAFH has determined that an applicant/household meets the program eligibility requirements for supportive housing, the applicant/household will be screened by Osborne Place Management's management for program eligibility as described below.

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) applicants applying for the PSH designated units and applicants applying for the general waiting list will receive a fee waiver and will be exempt from paying an application fee.

The security deposit is equal to one month's rent. A holding deposit of \$200 will be collected once a unit is offered. The holding deposit will be applied to Security Deposit and/or first month's rent if the application is approved. Tenants may pay the security deposit in full at the time of move-in or pay at a mutually agreed graduated scale until the security deposit charged is paid in full.

### **PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY FOR SUBSIDY**

All units will include project-based vouchers and are set aside for individuals and families are homeless governed through the Project-Base Voucher (PBV) program. All households that qualify for PBV will pay 30% of their gross annual household income as rent as determined by HACLA. LAFH be the provider of tenant supportive services and will provide tenants with linkages to resources.





HACLA will verify citizenship or eligible immigration status. Rental subsidy benefits will be prorated based on the residency status of each household member.

HACLA requires provision of a complete and accurate social security number for each occupant.

HACLA requires proof of age for each occupant. HACLA will verify that the applicant/household's income is less than required AMI for the unit in question.

HACLA will verify that the applicant is not a registered sex offender in any state.

The County may deny applicants/households with:

- Violent felony convictions.
- Drug-related criminal activity within the last two years.
- Child molestation and/or sexual misconduct convictions; or
- Prior evictions from a federally assisted housing project.

### **VERIFICATION**

Each applicant must complete an application and be willing to submit to a criminal background inquiry, as well as income and asset verifications. Osborne Place Apartments is available to assist any applicant household with completing applications.

All application entries are to be made in ink or typed. Corrections or changes are to be made by lining through the original entry and entering the correct data. Such changes must be dated and initialed by the person making the change.

The application must be completed and signed by the head of household and all household members 18 years of age and older before an applicant can be placed on the waiting list. The primary applicant must be 18 years of age or older, unless he or she is an emancipated minor. All household members age 18 years or older must sign the appropriate consent forms and comply with the verification process. If an application is not completely answered, the date of it being fully completed will be the date that the application is considered accepted for rental purposes.

Applicant interviews will be held to obtain signed verification forms for all income and asset information. All income will be verified in writing by the income source indicated on the income certification form. All assets, including bank accounts, will be verified in writing.

All applicants will be required to comply and cooperate with third party verification requirements. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide the information that will enable management to complete and receive the necessary verification in a reasonable time. This will include but not limited to, bringing three months most current consecutive payroll stubs, six months of most recent consecutive checking account bank statements, most recent bank statements for all other asset accounts and current Social Security and Pension Award letters.

Third-party income verification will be required from all sources, including but not limited to:



- a. Employment, unemployment, self-employment, social security, supplemental security, disability, government assistance, TANF, AFDC, pension funds, alimony or child support, educational status and financial aid, etc.
- Savings and checking accounts, real estate, money market funds, trusts, certificates of deposit, stocks/bonds, annuities, IRA/Keogh or other retirement/investment accounts, etc.

Employment Verification – The Work Number: At initial move-in into a tax credit unit, CTCAC policy requires that all tenant files contain 3rd party verification for all wage earners in the form of a Verification of Employment (VOE) along with 3 months of recent consecutive pay-stubs. CTCAC requires a Verification of Employment (VOE) for all initial applicants including those wage earners that can only be verified via the Work Number.

During Annual Recertification we are no longer required to supply a VOE from the Work Number, as long as 3 months of recent consecutive pay-stubs are included in the file.

Income calculations are based on the household's annual gross (anticipated) income for the twelves (12) months following the anticipated move-in date. Annual gross income also includes income from all assets.

Upon initial occupancy, tenant's income cannot exceed

the area median income limit for household size as published annually by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC).

Households that do not meet the eligibility requirement of the Tenant Selection Plan will receive a letter of denial for housing. Applicants that receive a denial letter have the right to appeal the decision. All other applicants will remain on the list until a unit is available and the household reaches the top of the list. For exceptions to this, please also refer to section regarding periodic Purging the Waitlist.

#### **PREFERENCES**

Every applicant must meet the Property's Tenant Selection Plan standards for acceptance as a tenant (see Grievance/Appeal Process section of this plan).

For units designed as accessible for persons with mobility, visual or hearing impairments, households containing at least one person with such impairment will have first priority for those units.

### **ACCESSIBLE UNITS**

All units are adaptable, as defined by the California Building Code. Seven units are designed with specific features for persons with mobility impairments as well as hearing impairments and sight related impairments. Preference will be given to applicants who require a unit with specific design features offered in accessible units in





the development. All reasonable efforts will be made to rent accessible units to applicants who require or who could benefit from such units. Outreach will be conducted with agencies whose clients require or could benefit from such units.

In the case of an accessible unit, when no qualified applicant/household has applied that requires the design features offered, then the unit will be offered to the next qualified household. This applicant/household will be required to complete a Lease Addendum form, whereby they agree to transfer to a non-accessible unit within the development should a tenant or applicant require an accessible unit. Failure to accept or move to the offered unit shall be deemed material non-compliance with the lease and would be cause for termination of tenancy.

If after occupying the accessible unit, the physical condition of a member of the household changes and a household member would then benefit from continued occupancy in the accessible unit, the household would not be required to move.

### **UNIT TRANSFER POLICY**

A Unit Transfer List is maintained for those tenants who have been approved for transfer. Unit transfers are permitted for current tenants who need:

- a. A new unit because of changes in family size.
- b. A unit transfer for a reasonable accommodation for a disability, including mental health conditions.

#### **OCCUPANCY STANDARDS**

Occupancy standards are the criteria established for matching a household with the most appropriate size and type of apartment. The occupancy guidelines will be followed to avoid under or over utilization of the units as follows:

Bedroom	Household	Household
	Minimum	Maximum
0	1	2
1	1	3
2	2	5
3	4	7

To determine the proper bedroom size for which a household may qualify, the following household members are to be included:

- 1. All full-time members of the household, and
- 2. Live-in attendants.
- 3. Foster children
- 4. Unborn children
- 5. Minors in the process of adoption.

Every household occupant that will occupy the unit during the upcoming 12 months will be counted when determining unit size. This includes household members in the military or at school.

NOTE: Live-in attendants are subject to the criminal provisions of this plan with the exception of criteria that determines ability to pay rent. Exceptions to these





Occupancy Standards may be made when required as a reasonable accommodation for a disabled household member.

#### **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT OF 2013**

The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") protects victims against eviction or denial of housing based on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. In 2013, Congress expanded VAWA's housing protections by covering additional federal housing programs, including the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program ("LIHTC"). VAWA offers the following protections:

- 1. An applicant's or program participant's status as a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking is not a basis for denial of admission, if the applicant otherwise qualifies for admission.
- 2. This must support or assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. It must protect victims, as well as members of their family, from being denied housing or from losing their HUD assisted housing.
- 3. An incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking will not be construed as serious or repeated violations of the lease or other "good cause" for terminating the assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of a victim of abuse.

- 4. Criminal activity directly related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, engaged in by a member of a tenant's household or any guest or other person under the tenant's control, shall not be cause for termination of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of the victim of the criminal acts.
- 5. Assistance may be terminated or a lease "bifurcated" in order to remove an offending household member from the home. Whether or not the individual is a signatory to the lease and lawful tenant, if he/she engages in a criminal act of physical violence against family members or others, he/she stands to be evicted, removed, or have his/her occupancy rights terminated. This action is taken while allowing the victim, who is a tenant or a lawful occupant, to remain.
- 6. The provisions protecting victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking engaged in by a member of the household, may not be construed to limit Osborne Place Apartments, when notified, from honoring various court orders issued to either protect the victim or address the distribution of property in case a family breaks up.
- 7. The authority to evict or terminate assistance is not limited with respect to a victim that commits unrelated criminal activity. Furthermore, if Osborne Place Apartments can show an actual and



imminent threat to other tenants or those employed at or providing service to the property if an unlawful tenant's residency is not terminated, then evicting a victim is an option, the VAWA notwithstanding. Ultimately, Osborne Place Apartments will not subject victims to more demanding standards than other tenants.

The VAWA protections shall not supersede any provision of any federal, state, or local law that provides greater protection for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. The laws offering greater protection are applied in instances of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

The Notice of Occupancy Rights and Certification form will be provided to applicants when assistance is being denied or at the time of move-in.

#### **DENIAL OF ADMISSION**

Any of the following could be grounds for denial of admission:

- 1. Total family income exceeds the applicable income limits published by HUD and CTCAC or does not meet the minimum income limit except where there is subsidy or rental assistance.
- 2. Applicant's household size either exceeds or is below reasonable occupancy limits for the available unit or unit applied for: studio-bedroom units 1-2 persons; one-bedroom units 1-3 persons. (Notes:

- an unborn child will be considered a household member to determine family size); two-bedroom units 2-5 persons; three bedrooms 3-7 persons.
- 3. Household refuse to pay the full security deposit or if unable to pay in full, refuse to pay at a mutually agreed graduated payment scale until the security deposit charged is paid in full. Leasing staff will coordinate with case management staff to connect applicants with deposit assistance programs.
- 4. Household refuses to accept the third offer of an apartment after communicated to the applicant and their listed Alternate Contacts.
- 5. Household fails to respond to interview letters or otherwise fails to cooperate with the certification process. Failure to sign consent forms.
- 6. ALL adult household members fail to attend eligibility interview.
- 7. Blatant disrespect or disruptive behavior toward management, the property or other tenants exhibited by an applicant or family member any time prior to move-in (or a demonstrable history of such behavior).
- 8. Household is composed entirely of full-time students and does not meet the exception outlined in Section 42 of the IRC.





- 9. Applicant has failed to provide adequate verification of income or we are unable to adequately verify income and/or income sources.
- 10. Providing or submitting false or untrue information on your application or failure to cooperate in any way with the verification process.
- 11. Unit assignment will NOT be the family's sole place of residency. Qualification for a unit includes occupying the unit on a continuous basis and as a primary residence. Tenants may not be absent from the unit for more than 60 consecutive days, or for longer than 180 continuous days for medical reasons.
- 12. Applicant is unable to provide identification that verified their identity.
- 13. Applicant submits an incomplete application and takes no steps to remedy.
- 14. Applicant provides false, inconsistent or inaccurate information on their application.
- 15. Applicant has three failures to attend an agreedupon time for an application appointment or interview.
- 16. Applicant was abusive with management during the application process.
- 17. At least one person in the household must be of

- legal age to execute a lease (age 18). If the applicant is under legal age, proof of legal emancipation will be required in order to lease.
- 18. Any altered information and/or deliberate misinformation regarding income; current status or past history will disqualify an applicant.

#### LANDLORD REFERENCE

19. Tax Credit guidelines require applicants to disclose the most recent consecutive two-year housing history even if the household is homeless. All applicants must complete the rental history portion of the application. If you are currently homeless or were homeless within the past two years write on the application "homeless" and the City and State where you reside.

#### **CREDIT/CRIMINAL**

- 20. Credit screening not applicable.
- 21. Osborne Place will conduct criminal background screening and may deny applicants/households with the following:
  - Violent felony convictions within the past seven years.
  - Drug-related criminal activity within the last two years.
  - Child molestation and/or sexual misconduct convictions within the past seven years; or





Prior evictions from a federally assisted housing project.

### **GRIEVANCE/APPEAL PROCESS**

Should the applicants fail to meet the screening criteria, the applicant and their listed service provider and alternate contact will receive a notice in writing indicating that they have the right to appeal the decision. This notice must indicate that the applicant has 21 days to dispute the decision.

An appeal meeting with the Property Supervisor will be held within 10 business days of receipt of the applicant's request.

Within five days of the appeal meeting, the property will advise the applicant in writing of the final decision regarding eligibility.

## **AVAILABILITY OF TENANT SELECTION PLAN**

The TENANT SELECTION PLAN shall be posted in a conspicuous and public area at the site. Changes to the Plan will be sent via U.S. mail to all persons on the active Waiting List. When the Waiting List opens, the TENANT SELECTION PLAN will be distributed with applications and are available by request from management.

### **ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

All tenants must recertify annually. An Annual Recertification Notice will be mailed to each tenant 120

days prior to their move-in anniversary date informing each tenant that we must begin the process for annual recertification of income and rent re-determination for the property. The letter will include the date/time of your scheduled interview and a list of documents to bring to the interview. The recertification process is similar to the move-in process. Tenants should save bank statements, award letters, paystubs and any other income and/or asset documentation that will assist in the annual recertification process.

Proposed changes of household composition and student status must be reported to Management immediately.

### **UNIT INSPECTION REQUIREMENT**

Before signing the lease, Osborne Place Apartments and the potential tenant must jointly inspect the unit. The tenant has five days to report any additional deficiencies to Osborne Place Apartments to be noted on the move-in inspection form.

Annual unit inspections are performed by Osborne Place Apartments. Agencies providing funding have the right to inspect the unit to ensure the property is physically well maintained and that the tenants are provided with decent, safe and sanitary housing.

Tenants will receive prior written notification for all unit inspections.

When a tenant moves out, a final inspection will be completed. Tenants are encouraged to attend the moveout inspection. However, if the tenant does not wish to





participate in the final inspection, Osborne Place Apartments management may conduct the inspection alone.

#### **PETS**

Residents are permitted to keep one common household pet in the dwelling unit. The household pet may not exceed 30 pounds and is required to comply with the provisions of the Animal Policy. Management may request a pet deposit. SERVICE or ASSISTANCE animals are not considered pets. Service or Assistance animals are those animals specifically required to assist individuals with documented disabilities. Please notify Management if you require a Service or Assistance animal.

### **EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY**

Osborne Place Apartments is an equal opportunity housing provider admitting applicants in accordance with local, state and Federal Fair Housing laws.



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