

**THE CENTRAL FALLS HOUSING AUTHORITY
PUBLIC HOUSING OCCUPANCY PREFERENCES AND WAITLIST SELECTION**

The Central Falls Housing Authority (CFHA) has established preferences based upon housing needs and priorities as determined by the CFHA. These waiting list preferences are in place to allow those qualified applicants to move through the waiting list more quickly.

Applications will be processed by available bedroom size, preferences and date and time of application process to determine the order in which you will be served. As units become available, persons with a preference are processed and housed first. The CFHA will verify your eligibility for a preference by scheduling an appointment and conducting a face-to-face interview with you. Once preference and eligibility is verified, then the applicant is determined eligible and ready to be housed, in the appropriate bedroom size. If the applicant does not have a preference, then their name will remain on the Public Housing Waiting list until all applicants with preferences are housed.

The CFHA will select families from the waitlist based on the following established preferences within each bedroom size category.

Established Preferences:

- 1. Date and Time of Application**
- 2. Local Preference** – Applicants living in the City of Central Falls
- 3. Veterans Ranking Preference** – For every person, regardless of sex, who was served in the military or naval service of the United States in any war, conflict or police action that placed them under fire and who was honorably discharged, or who was discharged under conditions other than dishonorable, or who, if not discharged, served honorably and meets all eligibility requirements as well as screening for suitability for the federal public housing program will be given a veterans ranking preference. A list of specific wars, conflicts or police actions will be maintained by the CHFA subject to Board of Commissioner approval.
- 4. Homeless Veterans Preference** – See below for Preference Description – Attachment “A”

If you believe you are eligible for the above mentioned preference(s) you must identify by selecting below:

CHECK BELOW THOSE THAT APPLY	PREFERENCE TYPE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Preference
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veterans Preference
<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless Veteran Preference

By signing below, I attest, to the best of my ability, that I am eligible for one or more of the above preferences. I also understand that at any time while on the waiting list that I may request to add or remove any preferences that I feel I am allowed.

_____ **Applicant (Head of Household)**

_____ **Date**

Agreement that Applicant Read and Understands the Above – Applicant Initials

ATTACHMENT “A”

Veteran/Homeless Veterans:

Head of Household that were discharged under circumstances other than dishonorable, or who is currently on active duty with the following branches of service: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard and the National Guard (if deployed during war). This definition also includes the spouse of a veteran who is currently on active duty, or the widow of a veteran who was killed in action. Documentation from the Department of Defense or Veterans Affairs will be required confirming veteran status.

Eligible candidates are expected to participate in case management and utilize the supportive services, treatment recommendations and assistance needed to successfully maintain and sustain the assisted housing unit. Service providers can include but are not limited to, licensed social workers, mental health agencies, and the Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program (SSVF).

All applicants who are admitted under the “Homeless Veteran” preference will be tracked for their performance and must continue to receive supportive services while living in the Central Falls Housing Authority residence unless such services are no longer deemed necessary as certified by a service provider as defined above. One unit in every four unit turnovers will be utilized to place individuals or families who meet the above criteria.

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