City of Mesa Housing Authority

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Housing Updates



Waitlist is opening!

We will soon be accepting pre-applications for the Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8). This will be an online pre-application process. The pre-application is available in English and Spanish. Alternate formats of the pre-application are available for those who require special assistance. All applicants are subject to regulations and policies governing City of Mesa Housing Authority.

Who can apply: All families and individuals may apply.

How to apply: Pre-applications will be accepted online beginning Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 10 am Arizona Standard Time THROUGH August 30, 2022, at 5 pm Arizona Standard Time.

Complete the pre-application online at www.mesaaz.gov/hcvwaitlist

The deadline to complete the pre-application is August 30, 2022, by 5 pm Arizona Standard Time.

Special Inspections/Complaints

A reminder to our landlords and tenants on how our Tenant **Complaint/Special Inspection process works.** Currently we receive complaints from tenants that are contacting their Housing Specialist, relaying what the landlord is not doing about repairs with no proof of having contacted your Landlord.

The proper way is to **contact your landlord FIRST.** (We must give landlords an opportunity and due diligence to mitigate repairs BEFORE contacting the Housing Authority.) Make sure to keep documentation that you have contacted your landlord (ex. screenshots of texts, copies of emails, photos, videos, etc.).

If a Landlord is not completing repairs/work order requests in a reasonable time under the Landlord Tenant Act, contact your Housing Specialist with your documentation. They will forward it to the Housing Inspector to schedule a Complaint/ Special Inspection.

We are in this together: Mesa Housing Authority, Landlords, and tenants. These are best practices used to ensure your units are ALWAYS in decent and safe and sanitary conditions. For details on what are standard requirements, read HUD's A Good Place to Live.

EXCEPTIONS to this process would be:

- No or inoperable air conditioning
- No heat source
- No water
- Inoperable appliances (refrigerator, stove)



Summer Electric Assistance (SEA) Program

SEA provides Mesa electric utility customers with limited short-term assistance for their electric bills during July, August, and September. SRP customers are not eligible to participate in this program.

How do I qualify and apply?

- You must live in the City of Mesa's Electric Service Area.
- Your Mesa utility bill account must be in your name.
- You must be a full-time permanent resident at the dwelling where service is supplied.
- Your annual household income cannot exceed \$27,000 per year.

For details about this program and to fill out an application, visit https://mesaaz.gov/SEA.

Housing Specialists

| Program | Housing Specialist | Phone | Email |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Last name A-Fa | Tracy Armenta | 480-644-3563 | tracy.armenta@mesaaz.gov |
| Last name Fe-K | Korry Mahoney | 480-644-3312 | korrine.mahoney@mesaaz.gov |
| Last name L-Re | Sherry Lamb | 480-644-3547 | sherry.lamb@mesaaz.gov |
| Last name Ri-Z | Alana Centeno | 480-644-3029 | alana.centeno@mesaaz.gov |
| Emergency Housing Vouchers | Lisa Flores | 480-644-3049 | lisa.flores@mesaaz.gov |
| Project-Based Voucher, VASH | Susan Ponce | 480-644-3946 | susan.ponce@mesaaz.gov |
| Family Self-Sufficiency | Diana "Dee" Irizarry | 480-644-3540 | diana.irizarry@mesaaz.gov |
| Waiting List | Luis Montenegro | 480-644-5831 | luis.montenegro@mesaaz.gov |
| Incoming Portability, Home | Jessica Morales | 480-644-6536 | portability@mesaaz.gov |
| Owners, and Shelter+Care | | | |
| Senior Housing Specialist | Christine Delmastro | 480-644-5602 | christine.delmastro@mesaaz.gov |
| Interim Senior Housing | Maribel Flores | 480-644-5604 | maribel.flores@mesaaz.gov |
| Specialist | | | |
| Housing Administrator | Rosario Beltran-Joshi | 480-644-3539 | rosario.beltran@mesaaz.gov |

VASH and Project-Based Voucher clients

After 7 years of dedicated service Diana McGregory will be retiring from the City of Mesa Housing Department. Diana has been an integral part of the Housing Department and we will miss her. We are happy to announce that Susan Ponce is the new Housing Specialist that will be taking over Ms. McGregory's caseload.

Your Story Matters!

If you have an achievement or accomplishment that you would like to share, we would love to hear from you!

Send your story to Rosario Beltran via email at rosario.beltran@mesaaz.gov