City of Mesa Housing Authority

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Housing Updates



Lobby Hours

Monday – Thursday 7:30AM to 5:00PM.

Closed Fridays and most Federal Holidays

Housing Specialists are available **by appointment only**. Please contact your specialist if you need to make an appointment.

April is Fair Housing Month!!

This year, we commemorate the 55th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, the landmark civil rights law signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson on April 11, 1968, that made discrimination in housing transactions unlawful. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing because of race, color national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, and familial status.

On April 3, 2023, Mayor John Giles proclaimed that April 2023 be Fair Housing Month, and encourages all agencies, individuals, and institutions, public and private, in Mesa to abide by the letter and the spirit of the Fair Housing Act

The City of Mesa also provides assistance, information and materials regarding Fair Housing questions and complaints on our website: https://www.mesaaz.gov/residents/housing/fair-housing.

Landlord Support Specialist

Many of you have probably already met Maxx Chawla, our newest Landlord Support Specialist. Maxx is your 1-point contact regarding anything about your property, landlord incentive and assistance with application fees/non-refundable deposit fees.

Contact Maxx by phone: 480-644-5867

or via email: maxx.chawla@mesaaz.gov

Upcoming Office Closures

Monday, 5/29/23 – Memorial Day Tuesday, 7/04/23 – Independence Day



Housing Kiosk

Is the line too long when you visit the office? Don't have time to wait?

Did you know that Mesa Housing Authority has a Kiosk in the lobby, where you can submit all your paperwork, and complete all forms such as: Change Reports, Notice to Vacate, etc.? You can even use the kiosk to request benefit letters from the Social Security Administration.

Next time you are in the office, ask one of our fabulous front desk assistants to show you the kiosk and all that it can do.

Annual Recertification

To remain eligible for assistance under the Housing Choice Voucher program, you must complete your Annual Recertification. This includes submitting required documents timely and allowing your unit to be inspected when required.

Once a year, you must submit a recertification packet. This includes updated income, assets, expenses, and family composition information to Mesa Housing Authority (MHA) to demonstrate continued eligibility for the Section 8 program. These are time sensitive documents.

MHA will notify you when it is time to submit the required forms and documents. Forms must be completed and submitted and include a completed Affidavit of Income, a Third-Party Verification form for household members 18 years of age or older, and supporting documentation (e.g., proof of income, assets, student status, and expenses) for all household members.

MHA will review and verify all information submitted and will provide both you and the property owner (your landlord) with a Household Change Notice that indicates the amount of your rent portion and the MHA subsidy of the rent.

Landlord Survey

We are committed to providing excellent customer service and we thank you for working with us to house our low-income residents.

We want to hear from you!

Please take a moment to complete the <u>Landlord Survey</u>

https://www.mesaaz.gov/residents/housing/landlords

Or use the QR Code:



