# Housing Assistance Network of Dade (HAND)

Providing a helping hand to persons in need of housing.

## Who can apply for this assistance?

- Individual or family who is currently homeless (<u>as proven by referral from outreach team or homeless program, or victims of domestic violence</u>), or in housing but at risk of becoming homeless (<u>as proven by court filed eviction, foreclosure, or discharging institution</u>) and in need of temporary rent or utility assistance to prevent them from becoming homeless, and
- 2. The household income is at or below 30% of the area median income which is dependent on the number of people in the household.

Number of persons in	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
household:								
Maximum Income to be eligible for this program (30%)	14,250	16,250	20,090	24,250	28,410	32,570	36,730	40,890

#### What kind of help can be received?

Help with rent, utilities, security deposits, legal assistance and credit counseling.

#### How do you apply?

Call 1-877-994-4357 for a location nearest you.

## Criteria for rental assistance:

- 1. Private landlords with apartments or residential motels, not a room within a house, (mortgage assistance is not eligible). Landlord must own property, owner of property cannot be Citrus, Miami-Dade County or the agency assisting the tenant.
- 2. Apartments cannot be under Section 8 Housing Vouchers, Shelter Plus Care, Public Housing, VASH or other local or federal assistance programs. (Exception: help with security deposit may be available).
- 3. Rent must be reasonable;
- 4. Rent must be affordable to the household's current income or reasonably potential income;
- 5. If applicant is moving to a new unit, the housing unit must meet local and federal habitability standards as evidenced by:
  - a. Visual inspection of certificate of occupancy or business license or computer screening to ensure no current violations, and
  - b. Completion of housing inspection.
  - c. Lead based paint inspection for units housing a child under 6 years old.

## Documentation requested from household:

- 1. Proof of homelessness (referral from outreach or homeless program) or risk of homelessness (court filed eviction).
- 2. Copy of utility bills if assistance is being requested for utilities.
- 3. Proof of income in the form of a check stub for all household members.
- 4. Copy of paycheck and bank statement indicating income and assets within last 30 days.
- 5. Copy of ID.
- 6. Copy of lease with name of applicant listed, signed by tenant and landlord.
- 7. The household will also need to provide the names of all of the household members, and the landlord's address and phone number.

(Please contact ADA Coordinator at 305-825-0300 if you need special accommodations. If you would like to file a complaint or appeal a decision, contact the supervisor where you applied or call 305-231-7667).

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