



Building Better Neighborhoods

Public Housing Newsletter

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Live Well, San Diego!

The County of San Diego has a comprehensive, innovative strategy on wellness, called "Live Well, San Diego" to help all County residents become healthy and safe, and to thrive. To learn more visit: http://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/hhsa/programs/sd/live_well_san_diego/index.html.

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, medical condition, ancestry, source of income, age, genetic information, arbitrary discrimination, familial status (including children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18), and handicap (disability). If you feel you have been discriminated against, contact the HUD Hotline at (800) 669-9777 or North County Lifeline at (866) 954-3354 x6226.

Upcoming Resident Advisory Board Meetings

The Housing Authority of the County of San Diego (HACSD) will be holding a bi-annual Resident Advisory Board Meeting (RAB). All Section 8 participants and Public Housing residents are encouraged to attend.

Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2015
Time: 9:30 am
Location: 3989 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123

Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Program (ROSS)

As a public housing resident, you qualify for support services through the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency program (ROSS). Active participants in the ROSS program receive resources for tutoring services, child care, job search, computer classes and scholarships. In addition to obtaining individual referrals, active ROSS participants receive first-hand updates regarding program promotions and upcoming workshops. If you are interested in learning more about the ROSS program, please contact Freddy Villafan, ROSS Assistant, at (858) 694-4821.

Residents May Be Eligible for a free ObamaPhone!



It's relatively quick and simple to determine if you are eligible for a free government cell phone including monthly minutes and texts. Free Obamaphones and service are provided by authorized Lifeline Assistance cell phone companies. Please visit <http://www.obamaphone.com/obamaphone-providers> for a list of the largest of the Lifeline Assistance providers who offer Obamaphones and service.

HCD WANTS YOU!

To promote the diverse strengths and culture of the community we serve, the County of San Diego's Housing and Community Development (HCD) Arts Committee (pARTnerships) would like to announce a unique opportunity to showcase your artwork at our main office. The pARTnerships Committee is seeking local artists (amateur and professional) to introduce and display their work to our employees and visitors. Please see the [pARTnerships](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/sdhcd/) page at <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/sdhcd/> for more details.



Help Stop Fraud



We take rental assistance program integrity seriously. If you suspect that Section 8 Program rules are being abused; you are urged to report your concerns to the Program Review Unit at (858) 694-4832 or via e-mail at HCD.ProgramReview@sdcounty.ca.gov. All information is kept confidential.

Volunteers Needed
RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD
HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APPLICATION

We are seeking program participants to serve on our Section 8 Rental Assistance and Public Housing programs Resident Advisory Board (RAB). The role of the Resident Advisory Board is to assist and make recommendations regarding the development of various Public Housing Authority Plans. Members of the Resident Advisory Board are required to attend at least two meetings a year.

If you are interested in serving on the Resident Advisory Board and have access to transportation, please send your completed application to Anthony McCall:

Email: Anthony.Mccall@sdcounty.ca.gov

Fax: (858) 514-6575

U.S. Mail:

Mr. Anthony McCall
Housing Authority of the County of San Diego
3989 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123

If you have any questions, please contact your housing representative. We will contact all applicants over the next 12 months.

Print Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Housing Representative _____

In addition to the RAB, are you interested in serving on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners as a Tenant Commissioner?

Yes No

What are your principal areas of interest in serving our community? _____

What relevant experience or special knowledge do you have? _____

Signature

Date

In addition to the Resident Advisory Board, we need participants to serve two-year terms on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners as a Tenant Commissioner.

Commissioners are paid for each meeting they attend and serve along with the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors.

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