

# **HOPKINS HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

## **Public Housing Program — One-Bedroom Waiting List**

Welcome to the Hopkins Housing and Redevelopment Authority Public Housing Program. This program is a federally funded program that subsidizes safe, decent, and sanitary housing for low-income individuals and families. Applicants must meet all U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) income and eligibility requirements.

**Hopkins HRA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local law.**

### **PLEASE READ ALL OF THE INFORMATION BELOW BEFORE YOU APPLY.**

It does not matter whether you apply on the first day or the last day of the open period. Hopkins HRA will use a random lottery to place applicants on the waiting list. Applying earlier does not improve your placement.

## **WHEN**

The waiting list will be open from Monday August 10, 2026 at 12:01 a.m. Central Time through Wednesday August 2026 at 11:59 p.m. Central Time.

This notice will be shared at least 30 days before the list opens through the Hopkins HRA website, local partner agencies, libraries, and community organizations, so that everyone has a fair chance to learn about it before it opens.

## **HOW**

Applications will be accepted online only at <https://waitlistcheck.com/MN2696>. Only one application per household will be accepted. Duplicate or fraudulent applications will be rejected.

Paper applications will not be distributed or accepted during the open period. If you need help with a language other than English, translation assistance is available through the application portal or by calling 952-548-6345 or emailing [waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com)

## **WHERE**

Applications can be submitted online using a personal computer, laptop, smartphone, or tablet. You do not need to come to the Hopkins HRA office to apply.

If you do not have a computer or internet access, Hennepin County Public Library branches offer public computers and free Wi-Fi. For locations and hours, visit <https://www.hclib.org/about/locations>.

## **INFORMATION NEEDED TO APPLY**

At this stage, you will be asked to provide:

- Full legal name, date of birth, and relationship to head of household for everyone who will live in the unit
- Household size
- Current contact information (mailing address, phone number, and email address if you have one)

- Whether you are claiming a preference (see Preferences, below) proof will be requested later if you are reached on the list

You will create a login and password during the application process. Please write this down and keep it somewhere safe. Hopkins HRA staff cannot retrieve a lost password for you over the phone given our limited office staffing.

Social Security numbers and full income documentation are not collected at this stage. That information will only be requested from applicants who are actually reached for eligibility screening, to limit how much personal data we hold on applicants who may never be reached. The information you provide must be truthful and complete to the best of your knowledge.

## **COST**

There is no fee to apply. Hopkins HRA does not charge to add or improve your placement on the waiting list. Be cautious of anyone (online or in person) offering to help you apply for a fee or claiming they can get you placed faster. Report anything suspicious by calling the office at 952-548-6345 or emailing [waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com)

## **HOW APPLICANTS ARE PLACED ON THE LIST**

After the open period ends, Hopkins HRA will conduct a random lottery to determine each applicant's placement on the waiting list. The order in which you submitted your application during the open period has no effect on your placement.

All eligible applications will be placed on the waiting list; however, being placed on the list does not guarantee that you will receive housing assistance.

You may check your status at <https://waitlistcheck.com/MN2696> beginning August 24, 2026. The status page is operated by MRI on Hopkins HRA's behalf and will only display your waitlist status. It will not display your application answers. Please do not call the office to check your placement; status will be available online and you will be contacted directly when it is your turn to be screened.

## **PREFERENCES**

Hopkins HRA gives preference to applicants who:

- Live, works, was hired to work or attends school in Hopkins
- Elderly, near-elderly (50+), or disabled
- VAWA: domestic violence, dating violence, sexual violence, and stalking

If you claim one or more of these preferences, you will be asked to provide proof before you are placed in preference order. Applicants who do not qualify for a preference may still apply and will be placed on the waiting list after preferred applicants.

## **WAIT TIMES**

Hopkins HRA does not provide emergency or immediate housing. The amount of time you may wait before your application is reached can range from months to several years, depending on unit turnover and HUD funding. You will be notified directly when your application is reached. You do not need to call to check.

If you are on the waiting list, you are required to report any change of mailing address or household composition to Hopkins HRA in writing.

## ELIGIBILITY SCREENING

If you are reached on the waiting list, Hopkins HRA will contact you to complete an eligibility screening. This includes verification of income and household composition, a rental history review, a credit history review, and a criminal history check. Criminal history is reviewed individually for each applicant. Hopkins HRA does not deny an applicant based on an arrest or conviction alone, without considering individual circumstances, consistent with both Federal and State law.

The name, address, and phone number of the screening service Hopkins HRA uses, and the criteria your application will be screened against, will be provided to you in writing before screening begins, as required under Minnesota Statutes § 504B.173.

If your application is denied, you will be notified in writing within 14 days of the reasons for the denial, consistent with federal and state rules and regulations.

## MAXIMUM INCOME LIMITS

If your household's annual gross income is at or below the limits shown below, you may qualify for assistance. Income limits are set by HUD and are subject to change annually.

Household Size	2026 Maximum Annual Income
1 person	\$73,650.00
2 people	\$84,200.00

A minimum of one (1) and maximum of two (2) persons are allowed in a one-bedroom unit. Households of three or more people are not eligible for this waiting list.

## REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

It is the policy of Hopkins HRA to provide reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities so they can fully participate in this application process. If you need a specific accommodation, please contact our office at 952-548-6345 or submit a written request to Hopkins HRA 22 5<sup>th</sup> Ave South Hopkins, Minnesota 55343 or emailing us at [waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:waitinglist@hopkinsmn.com)

Please note: this accommodation line is for disability-related and accessibility requests. Hopkins HRA is not able to provide general application walkthrough assistance by phone given our office's limited staffing; for general computer or application help, please visit a Hennepin County Library location.



This information is important. If you do not understand it, please have someone translate it for you, or call Hopkins HRA at 952-548-6345 to arrange language assistance.

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