

COMMUNITY FIRST! VILLAGE STATEMENT OF RESIDENT QUALIFYING CRITERIA

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Mobile Loaves & Fishes, Inc. is committed to the operation of affordable housing for individuals and families who meet HUD's definition of chronically homeless.

The HUD definition of chronically homeless is:

(a) An individual who:

- i. Is homeless and lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter; and
- ii. Has been homeless and living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least one year or on at least four long-term episodes (greater than 90-day per occurrence) of homelessness on separate occasions in the last 3 years; and
- iii. Can be diagnosed with one or more of the following conditions: substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability (as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 USC 15002), post-traumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from brain injury, or chronic physical illness or disability;
 OR
- (b) An individual who has been residing in an institutional care facility, including a jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital, or other similar facility, for fewer than 90 days and met all of the criteria in paragraph (a) of this definition before entering that facility.

There is a one (1) person maximum occupancy for our Micro-Homes (MH) and Canvas Sided Cottages (CC). Couples who both qualify separately using the HUD definition of chronically homeless may live together in the Recreational Vehicles (RVs) or Park Homes (PH).

Residents are responsible for paying the full amount of the contracted rent. The monthly rental amount includes electricity for the micro-homes and canvas sided cottage (not including electricity for HVAC). There are separate facilities for toilets, showers, laundry and outdoor kitchens within a reasonable distance of each MH and CC. RV and PH rental rates include the RV or PH itself, the pad site, and water. Electricity and propane will be paid for by the resident.

Mobile Loaves & Fishes' policy is not to discriminate against, in access to housing or supportive services, on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, handicap, national origin, sexual orientation, student status, or familial status.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

The following criteria and documentation will be used in the evaluation of the rental application for residency. At the time of completing the application all individuals must:

- 1. Qualify through the Coordinated Assessment Process.
- 2. Be at least 18 years of age.
- 3. Provide a valid government issued ID or fingerprint documentation.
- 4. Provide a valid social security card or proof thereof.
- 5. Provide resident alien ID card (if applicable).
- 6. Provide gross income documentation (or rental subsidy documentation) sufficient to pay rent.
- 7. Agree to a complete background check which includes social security verification, credit, eviction history, criminal activity and terrorists watch list.
- 8. Provide documentation of homelessness in the Travis County area for at least one year, if applicable.
 - a. Certification letter(s) from an emergency shelter for the homeless
 - b. Certification letter(s) from a homeless service provider or outreach worker
 - c. Certification letter(s) from any other health or human service provider
- 9. Meet the criminal history requirements of our community. Disqualifying criminal history criteria is detailed under the "Applications Are Declined for the Following Reasons" section of this document.
- 10. Agree to comply with the housing contract as well as the rules and regulations of the Community First Village.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE DECLINED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS

- Any deliberate falsification in the application or an invalid social security number will result in the automatic rejection of the applicant.
- Submitting an incomplete application.
- Non-qualifying income.
- Applicants with misdemeanor assault records within the past seven years may in some limited circumstances be admitted, provided that the applicant successfully attends anger management classes required by Mobile Loaves & Fishes.
- Crimes against persons committed by the applicant regardless of the date committed, such as: capital murder, murder/manslaughter, kidnapping, child molestation, rape, and crimes of a sexual nature, or arson.
- Any individual who is subject to a registration pursuant to Chapter 62 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure or any other state's sex offender registration program.
- A pattern (3 or more instances) of continuing conduct/acts, regardless of type of severity which may interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by others.