

ATTACHMENT II
PUBLIC HOUSING WAITING LISTS
LOCAL PREFERENCES (24 CFR §960.206)

PHAs are permitted to establish local preferences and to give priority to serving families that meet those criteria. HUD specifically authorizes and places restrictions on certain types of local preferences.

HUD also permits the PHA to establish other local preferences, at its discretion. Any local preferences established must be consistent with the PHA plan and the consolidated plan, and must be based on local housing needs and priorities that can be documented by generally accepted data sources (24 CFR §960.206(a)).

Upon recent examination, it was determined that to bring higher income families into Public Housing, current established “working” local preferences and their assigned points could be amended. In doing so, ARHA will lessen the distinction between working in the “resident” jurisdiction and working outside of it, therefore allowing all working families to move up more rapidly on Public Housing waiting lists.

ARHA is now amending the Public Housing, Admissions & Continued Occupancy Plan (ACOP) to include the following local preference changes for the general Public Housing, Elderly/Disabled (Ladrey/Park Place), and Public Housing Site Based waiting lists.

ARHA Policy

The Authority will use the following local preferences:

- a. In order to bring higher income families into Public Housing, the ARHA will establish preferences for “working” families, where the head, spouse, co-head, or sole member is employed.
- b. As required by HUD, families where the head and spouse, or sole member is a person age 62 or older, or is a person with disabilities, will also be given the benefit of the working preference (24 CFR §960.206(b)(2)).
- c. Addition of a preference for families requiring units pursuant to the Uniforms Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS)

- d. As such, the proposed amended will reflect the following preferences and their assigned waiting list points:

General Public Housing List: Andrew Adkins/Samuel Madden/Ramsey Homes/Saxony Square & Scattered Site I, II, III:

- 1) UFAS (Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards- For those needing an accessible unit) (4 points)
- 2) Live/*do not* work in the City of Alexandria (2 points)
- 3) Live & Work in the City of Alexandria (4 points)
- 4) Work in the City of Alexandria (4 points)
- 5) Work outside the City of Alexandria (2 points)

Site Based Lists: Braddock/Whiting/Reynolds, West Glebe/Old Dominion, Chatham Square, Old Town Commons (James Bland) I, II, IV

- 1) UFAS (Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards- For those needing an accessible unit) (4 points)
- 2) Live/*do not* work in the City of Alexandria (2 points)
- 3) Live & Work in the City of Alexandria (4 points)
- 4) Work in the City of Alexandria (4 points)
- 5) Work outside the City of Alexandria (2 points)

Elderly/Disabled (Ladrey Hi-Rise)

To meet HUD non-discrimination requirements, all disabled and/or elderly applicants receive the “working” preference which is an additional two (2) preference points.

- 1) Elderly (62 years of age or more) (7 points, 5 + 2 working)
- 2) Disabled (6 points, 4 + 2 working)
- 3) Live in the City of Alexandria (2 points)

- e. ARHA will select applicants first by the highest amount of preference points and then, if applicants have the same preference point total, by date and time of the application submitted to ARHA.