

SECTION 8 WAITING LIST TO OPEN

The Schenectady Municipal Housing Authority (SMHA) is announcing the opening of its Section 8 Tenant Based Housing Choice Voucher waiting list for low-income persons. The Section 8 waiting list has been closed since April 2020. If you are currently on a waiting list with SMHA other than the Section 8 waiting list, and you wish to receive Section 8 assistance, then you must apply for Section 8 subsidy. Applying for Section 8 will not affect your status on any other waiting list.

SMHA SECTION 8 APPLICATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ONLINE – NO PAPER APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Online applications can be submitted through any computer or smartphone that is connected to the internet.

Applicants can access the online application at: <https://smha1.apply4housing.com/>

Access to the online application will open at 9:00 am EST on Tuesday, March 7, 2023. The SMHA Section 8 waiting list will then close at 4:00 pm on Saturday, March 11, 2023, and will remain closed until an undetermined future date.

A very limited number of computer stations will be available during normal business hours at the SMHA administrative office building located at 375 Broadway. Staff at the Schenectady Community Action Program, Bethesda House, New Choices Recovery Center, and the YMCA, are also prepared to assist applicants in gaining access to the online application in their offices during business hours.

PLEASE NOTE: Access to computer modules at the SMHA office and other noted locations will be extremely limited. It is highly recommended that applicants access the online application through private computers, smartphones, or other public internet access points. Attempting to submit a Section 8 application at the SMHA office is strongly discouraged as it will result in unnecessary wait times. If you have a question regarding the waiting list opening, please dial this number to hear information and leave a message: 518-386-7071.

