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**TRENTON, NJ** – The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) today announced the Division of Housing and Community Resources (DHCR) will be accepting pre-applications for the lottery for placement on the statewide Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program waiting list. Pre-applications to enter the lottery will be accepted from February 4th through February 8<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. The lottery is to gain placement on the statewide Section 8 HCV program's waiting list.

"The Housing Choice Voucher program is one of DCA's core services for making housing affordable for New Jersey families," said Lieutenant Governor Sheila Oliver, who serves as DCA Commissioner. "This program helps New Jersey residents who are most in need find and move into permanent, stable housing."

The pre-applications will be accepted online during the five-day period at: [www.WaitlistCheck.com/NJ559](http://www.WaitlistCheck.com/NJ559). All pre-applications submitted during this time will be entered into a database and screened for eligibility. A total of 15,000 eligible applicants will be selected through the lottery and placed on the waiting list. Individuals with questions about the lottery should dial 2-1-1 for further assistance.

To be eligible for the HCV program, residents must be in low-income and very low-income households based on the income limits established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age or older to apply or be an emancipated minor. Applicants must have an email address to apply. Web browsers such as Google Chrome, Fire Fox, or Internet Explorer 10 or higher are recommended.

If you have questions about the lottery, please dial 2-1-1 for further assistance.

Disabled persons who need assistance with submitting their pre-application may contact DCA at (609) 292-4080 and select Option 1 or 8 from the Menu to request a reasonable accommodation.

After submitting an application, applicants can learn if they were selected for the waiting list by logging on to [www.WaitListCheck.com](http://www.WaitListCheck.com) on or after February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Applicants listed as 'active' indicate they have been selected for the waitlist. Applicants listed as 'inactive' indicate they have not been selected.

A total of 15,000 pre-applications will be placed on the waiting list. The number of pre-applications to be accepted per county is shown in the chart below along with the current income limits.

County	#of pre-applications to be placed on the waiting list	County	# of pre-applications to be placed on the waiting list
ATLANTIC	741	MIDDLESEX	1100
BERGEN	956	MONMOUTH	631
BURLINGTON	435	MORRIS	360
CAMDEN	940	OCEAN	613
CAPE MAY	251	PASSAIC	1620
CUMBERLAND	496	SALEM	319
ESSEX	2239	SOMERSET	340
GLOUCESTER	311	SUSSEX	183
HUDSON	1546	UNION	837
HUNTERDON	191	WARREN	224
MERCER	667		

**CURRENT INCOME LIMITS FOR ALL NEW JERSEY COUNTIES:**

County	1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	5 People	6 People	7 People	8 People
Atlantic	\$26,800	\$30,600	\$34,450	\$38,250	\$41,350	\$44,400	\$47,450	\$50,500
Bergen	\$35,850	\$40,950	\$46,050	\$51,150	\$55,250	\$59,350	\$63,450	\$67,550
Burlington	\$30,600	\$35,000	\$39,350	\$43,700	\$47,200	\$50,700	\$54,200	\$57,700
Camden	\$30,600	\$35,000	\$39,350	\$43,700	\$47,200	\$50,700	\$54,200	\$57,700
Cape May	\$27,550	\$31,500	\$35,450	\$39,350	\$42,500	\$45,650	\$48,800	\$51,950
Cumberland	\$23,600	\$26,950	\$30,300	\$33,650	\$36,350	\$39,050	\$41,750	\$44,450
Essex	\$33,400	\$38,200	\$42,950	\$47,700	\$51,550	\$55,350	\$59,150	\$63,000
Gloucester	\$30,600	\$35,000	\$39,350	\$43,700	\$47,200	\$50,700	\$54,200	\$57,700
Hudson	\$32,950	\$37,650	\$42,350	\$47,050	\$50,850	\$54,600	\$58,350	\$62,150
Hunterdon	\$37,800	\$43,200	\$48,600	\$53,950	\$58,300	\$62,600	\$66,900	\$71,250
Mercer	\$34,650	\$39,600	\$44,550	\$49,450	\$53,450	\$57,400	\$61,350	\$65,300
Middlesex	\$37,800	\$43,200	\$48,600	\$53,950	\$58,300	\$62,600	\$66,900	\$71,250
Monmouth	\$34,800	\$39,750	\$44,700	\$49,650	\$53,650	\$57,600	\$61,600	\$65,550
Morris	\$33,400	\$38,200	\$42,950	\$47,700	\$51,550	\$55,350	\$59,150	\$63,000
Ocean	\$34,800	\$39,750	\$44,700	\$49,650	\$53,650	\$57,600	\$61,600	\$65,550
Passaic	\$35,850	\$40,950	\$46,050	\$51,150	\$55,250	\$59,350	\$63,450	\$67,550
Salem	\$30,600	\$35,000	\$39,350	\$43,700	\$47,200	\$50,700	\$54,200	\$57,700
Somerset	\$37,800	\$43,200	\$48,600	\$53,950	\$58,300	\$62,600	\$66,900	\$71,250
Sussex	\$33,400	\$38,200	\$42,950	\$47,700	\$51,550	\$55,350	\$59,150	\$63,000
Union	\$33,400	\$38,200	\$42,950	\$47,700	\$51,550	\$55,350	\$59,150	\$63,000
Warren	\$33,200	\$37,950	\$42,700	\$47,400	\$51,200	\$55,000	\$58,800	\$62,600

The Division of Housing and Community Resources strengthens and revitalizes communities through the delivery of affordable housing, supportive services, and financial and technical assistance to communities, local government, and community-based organizations.

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