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VOUCHER PAYMENT STANDARDS INCREASE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2016

To reflect the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD’s) recent increases in fair market rents (FMRs), the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Clara (HACSC) has raised its voucher payment standards (maximum monthly rent assistance) effective February 1, 2016. The voucher payment standards were last increased on September 1, 2015, to 110 percent of the HUD-issued FMRs. The agency has leeway to determine payment standards within a 90 to 110 percent range of the FMRs.

On December 11, 2015, HUD released its annually updated FMRs. This prompted HACSC to increase the voucher payment standards to reflect 110 percent of the new FMR calculation. For flyers explaining the voucher payment standards increases in English, Vietnamese and Spanish, and how this change affects Section 8 participants and landlords, click here.

For a listing of HUD’s FMRs, click http://www.hacsc.org/section-8-housing-programs/housing-choice-voucher-current-participants/voucher-payment-standard-fmr-utility-allowance/.

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