
What is Public Housing?

The Public Housing Program was created under the Housing Act of 1937. This Congressional Act authorized the establishment of State and local Public Housing Authorities. These housing authorities would own and manage single and multi-family housing units available to low-income families at low cost.

The Housing Authority of the City of Odessa (OHA) owns and manages 73 single and family units in Odessa.

- 20 units are 1 bedroom*
- 30 units are 2 bedroom*
- 20 units are 3 bedroom
- 3 units are 4 bedroom

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**EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY**

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LOW RENT PROGRAM

*THIRD EDITION
APARTMENTS*



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WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM?

You are eligible for the Low Rent Public Housing Program if the combined income of your family does not exceed the income limits which are available in the office.

HOW DO I APPLY?

You may fill out an application for the Low Rent Program at the **Third Edition Apartment Office located at 1201 N. Whitaker**. The Housing Coordinator will place your name on the waiting list. When a unit becomes available a letter will be sent to you. You will then be interviewed and the process of verifying your eligibility will begin. **Applications are taken Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., and 2:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

DO I HAVE ANY SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

A tenant family in the Low Rent Program is like any other renter except that the Housing Authority is subsidizing some of the rent. The tenant must pay rent on time, keep the property clean and undamaged and not break any of the conditions of the lease. Also, if a family member possesses or sells illegal drugs or engages in any crime or violence, then the family may have to leave the program.

HOW MUCH WILL I PAY FOR RENT?

Your rent will depend upon your income. Generally, it will not be more than 30% of your adjusted monthly income.

HOW LONG CAN I STAY IN THE UNIT?

You may continue to live in a Low Rent unit as long as you meet the following conditions:

- You do not break any of the Program Rules.
- You do not owe the Housing Authority money for back rent or damages.

WHAT AM I RESPONSIBLE FOR?

As long as you live in a Low Rent unit, you are responsible for keeping the premises clean and safe: paying reasonable charges for damages caused by the household or guests: paying the rent on time: and living in a manner that does not disturb the neighbors' peaceful enjoyment of the area. In other words, like any other person who rents property, you must follow the rules of the lease and the rules of the Low Rent program.

WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

To find out more about the Low Rent Public Housing Program and other housing programs for low and very low income families, you may call, write, or visit the Third Edition Apartments located at 1201 N. Whitaker, Odessa, Texas, 79763, (432) 334-6984 and meet with the Occupancy Coordinator on site. You may also contact the Odessa Housing Authority's main office located at 124 E. 2nd Street, (432) 333-1088 for further information.