**HCV PROGRAM** 



# NEWSLETTER





Exceptions for emergency or disability-related moves



Update on voluntary move policy



Project Based Voucher (PBV) mobility policy update



Temporary suspension of outgoing portability



## Program Update: Why These Changes Are Happening

**Effective June 23, 2025:** Due to **current funding limitations**, the Housing Authority of the City of Prichard (HACP) is implementing **temporary restrictions** on **voluntary moves** and **outgoing portability**.

These steps are necessary to help ensure the **HCV program** remains financially sustainable.



#### **Moves to Higher Cost Units Within HACP**

- HACP may deny voluntary move requests to units within its service area if the new unit would increase your Housing Assistance Payment (HAP), unless verified exception criteria are met.
- Even when program requirements are met, higher costs strain available funding, so these requests may not be approved at this time.



#### Fig. PBV Resident Mobility Update

- PBV participants must reside in a HACP PBV unit for at least one year and be in good standing with their lease to be eligible for a tenant-based voucher.
- In order for a PBV participant to convert to a regular voucher, they must also be in good standing with PBV family obligations.
- However, due to the current funding limitations, eligible participants will be placed on the HCV Choice Mobility Waiting List for future considerations when funding becomes available.



#### **Port-Out Requests to Higher-Cost PHAs**

At this time, all portability requests to higher-cost housing authorities are **suspended**, unless they meet verified exception criteria.

A port-out request may be approved if the receiving housing authority confirms in writing that they are willing to **absorb the voucher**.

If the receiving agency cannot or will not absorb the costs, or the port would exceed HACP's current payment standards, HACP cannot approve the request at this time.

### **Next Steps**



Do not give notice to your landlord without written approval from HACP



Submit documentation early if you believe you qualify for an exception



Contact or email your assigned Housing Specialist for updates or questions about your move request



Check HACP's My Portal for updates and important messages at https://prichardhousing.com

For more details, visit our full HCV FAQ at prichardhousing.com