



Housing Choice Voucher Program

## **Rent Increase and Utility Changes - Required Documents**

We continue to value your contribution to providing affordable housing to our clients and our community through Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority's (CMHA) Housing Choice Voucher Program. In an effort to inform our landlords and streamline our process CGI has created this informational sheet to provide assistance regarding our rent increase and utility change process.

All increases and/or utility changes are subject to processing within 60 days after CGI receives the appropriate documents. Request for rent increases and/or utility changes must be submitted to CGI 60 days prior to the proposed effective date. Please ensure that you provide proper notification to your tenants and all of the required documentation to CGI. In the event you fail to submit all of the necessary documents to CGI all of the original documentation will be returned to you with a letter explaining why we are unable to process your request. All requests will need to be resubmitted and this may change the effective date of your request.

## **Required Documents For Rent Increases**

- Rent Review Request Form (form HCV-1039)
  - Please ensure that this form is completed in its entirety.
- A copy of the 60 day notice provided to the tenant regarding the proposed rent increase.
  - The notice must specifically state the effective date and the proposed rent amount.
- A current copy of the rent roll if applicable (all properties with 20 or more units must submit a rent roll).

Upon receipt of the required documents CGI will run a Rent Reasonableness report to determine the new contract rent amount. If a rent increase is not approved, owners must wait an additional six months before submitting a new rent increase request. Only one increase will be approved in a 12-month period.

Please Note: If the Rent Reasonableness determination results in a downward change in rent, your contract rent amount may be subject to a reduction.

## **Required Documents For Utility Changes (water and sewer only)**

- Rent Review Request Form (form HCV-1039)
  - Please ensure that this form is completed in its entirety.
- A copy of the 60 day notice provided to the tenant regarding the change in utility responsibilities.
  The notice must specifically state the effective date of the utility change.
- Lease addendum (signed by the landlord and the tenant).
  - The addendum must specifically state the effective date and list the change in responsibility of the utilities.

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Upon receipt of the required documents CGI will run a Rent Reasonableness report to determine the new contract rent amount.

If the landlord wishes to change the responsibility of any other utility a new request for tenancy approval and lease must be submitted to CGI.

If any questions or concerns arise please contact the Inspections Department at: cmha.inspections@housing.systems

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| Rent Review Req   | uest Form               |                       |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Tenant Name: Client ID #:   |                         |                       |
| Unit Address:   | City:                   | Zip:                  |
| Move in Date:   | Landlord/Vendor ID#     | 4:                    |
| Owner Name:   | Owner Phone:            |                       |
| Owner Address:  | _ City:                 | Zip:                  |
| Unit Speci  | fics                    |                       |
| Current Rent: Requested Rent: Type: (House  | e, Apt, Town/Row, Duple | ex, Condo)            |
| Number of Bedrooms: Year Built:   | Approx. Sq. Ft.:        | Bathrooms:            |
| Circle One: Rent Increase Utility Change Effective Dat  | e of Increase/change:   |                       |
| <b>Unit Amen</b><br>(place a ✓ next to all ame  |                         |                       |
| Washer: Dryer: Washer/Dryer Hookups: Onsi   | te Laundry Facility:    | Stove: (Gas Electric) |
| Dishwasher: Microwave: Refrigerator: Garba  | age Disposal: Ceiling   | g Fan: Pool:          |
| Air Conditioning: None Window Central   |                         |                       |
| Parking: Driveway Street: Assigned: Unassig   | ned: Garage: (1 Car     | r2 Car)               |
| Gas: Gas Heat Electric Heat Hot Water: Gas Heated   | Hot Water Electri       | c Heated Hot Water    |
| <b>Utility Respons</b><br>(place a "T" if the tenant pays or a  |                         |                       |
| Electric: Gas: Water:   | Sewer:                  | Trash:                |
| Please Note: If the Rent Reasonableness determination resu<br>amount may be subject to a reduction. Please submit all docum |                         |                       |
| For CMHA Use  | -                       |                       |
| Rent Request Approved (Yes/No):    Utility Change Approve      Rent Reduced (Yes/No):    Amount of new Rent: \$             |                         |                       |
| CMHA Representative:  | Date:                   |                       |
| HCV-1039-Rent Increase Reque  |                         |                       |
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# **RENT REASONABLENESS ADDENDUM**

| Tenant Name  | Client # |  |
|--------------|----------|--|
| Unit Address |          |  |
| Owner Name   | Vendor # |  |

#### Check one for each section

| Type of Unit               |                         | Square Footage         |                       |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Single Family Detached     | High Rise with Elevator | □ 500 or less          | <b>1</b> 001-1250     |
| Low Rise                   | Row House/Townhouse     | <b>D</b> 501-750       | <b>D</b> 1251-1500    |
| Semi-Detached              | Manufactured Home       | <b>D</b> 751-1000      | 1501 or more          |
| Location/Neighborhood/Area |                         |                        |                       |
| Residential                | Commercial              | Industrial/Residential | Industrial/Commercial |

# Check all that apply

| Accessibility to Services   |                        |                             |                                   |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Shopping                    | School                 | Train/Bus/Ferry             | Daycare                           |  |
| Management & Mai            | intenance of Building  |                             |                                   |  |
| On Site Maintenance         | Lawn Care Snow Rem     | oval                        | Owner/Super Lives in the Building |  |
| Facilities for the Building |                        | Amenities Provided by Owner |                                   |  |
| □ Intercom                  | Good Building Exterior | New Stove                   | Separate Dining Room              |  |
| Security System             | Swimming Pool          | New Refrigerator            | W Washer/Dryer Hookups in unit    |  |
| Cable TV Hookup             | Large Yard             | Microwave Oven              | Clothes Washer                    |  |
| Laundry Facilities          | Playground             | New Kitchen Cabinets        | Clothes Dryer                     |  |
| Community Room              | Driveway               | Dishwasher                  | Pvt. Patio Deck/Balcony           |  |
| Recreational Facility       | Free Parking Facility  | Eat-in-Kitchen              | New Windows                       |  |
| Handicap Access             | Paid Parking Facility  | Storage Room                | Window Screens                    |  |
| Garage                      |                        | Den/Family Room             | ■New Carpet                       |  |
|                             |                        | Extra Full Bath             | New Closet Doors                  |  |
|                             |                        | Extra Half Bath             | Central A/C                       |  |

# Check all that apply

| Have any major renovations been made to unit? Yes No<br>If yes, please check what was completed and list the year the renovation was made. |              |                                       |  |  |
|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| New roof Year New siding Y   |              | ,                                     |  |  |
| New flooring throughout Year   | New sluing 1 | New plumbing throughout Year          |  |  |
| New wiring throughout Year   |              | New plumbing fixtures throughout Year |  |  |
| New lighting throughout Year   |              | New kitchen cabinets Year             |  |  |
| New bathroom cabinets/vanity   | Year         | New toilet/tub/shower in bath Year    |  |  |
| New appliances Year  | Other:       | Year                                  |  |  |

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