

Frequently Asked Questions: Johnson County Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Waitlist

1. What is the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program?

The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program, formerly known as Section 8, assists eligible individuals and families in securing safe and affordable housing. The HCV program primarily assists those who are elderly/disabled on a fixed income and low-income working families.

Those on the program are required to pay 30-40% of their income towards rent and utilities combined. The federal government disperses Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) directly to the property owners. These payments are intended to cover the remaining housing costs, thereby easing the financial burden on participants ensuring housing stability.

2. How do I know if I qualify for the HCV Program?

HUD provides income guidelines [2024 HCV only INCOME GUIDELINES eff 5.1.24 \(edited 4-29-24\).pdf \(jocogov.org\)](#)

To receive an HCV, you must be at or below 50% of AMI for your household size.

3. How often does the waitlist open (accept applicants)?

Johnson County Housing Authority opens their wait list based on availability of assistance. On July 31, 2024, the first 600 applicants will be accepted.

4. How do I join the HCV waitlist?

1. Make an account: <https://www.waitlistcheck.com/account/create>
2. Verify your email address used to set up account as directed
3. Log in and apply on July 31, 2024, at 9 am:
<https://www.waitlistcheck.com/KS802> (Link will not work until 9 am on July 31, 2024)

6. What happens next?

1. Check your waitlist status by logging into Assistance Connect! [Assistance Connect - HAPPY Software, an MRI Software Company \(assistancecheck.com\)](#)

Please note that you will utilize the same username and password you created on waitlist check. Assistance Connect will provide you with your waitlist status and further details.

2. Wait to be notified that you've come up on the list by mail or email.

a. Update the address or email on file in writing if there are any changes.

3. You'll receive an Activation packet to fill out and submit with all required documentation. Your eligibility will be assessed and then a notification of eligibility will be sent.

4. Briefing Class: Once applicants are at the top of the waitlist and determined eligible, they will be invited to a briefing class. The briefing class will provide detailed information such as program expectations and requirements. The HCV document is provided to applicants at the briefing.

7. How long does it take to receive a housing choice voucher?

The waiting period varies, but it may take **1-8 months** to receive a Housing Choice Voucher if eligible. Rest assured that the Johnson County Housing Authority will contact all 600 applicants.

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