

Dear Prospective Resident,

Thank you for your interest in Kavod Senior Life. We have provided subsidized and affordable housing for all older adults since 1971. Our attractive complex, support services, caring staff, and convenience of living in the beautiful Cherry Creek neighborhood make Kavod a great place to live!

Kavod offers more than just Senior Living and Assisted Living; we offer a wide variety of outstanding activities including our Life Enrichment programs happening here on campus, our on-site Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Health and Wellness Center or Kavod on the Road, which takes our award-winning programs out into the community.

Most of our apartments are subsidized and regulated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Applicants receiving assistance must meet income, eligibility, and lease requirements to qualify for the HUD programs offered here.

Each individual contributes to making Kavod Senior Life unique, so we look forward to the prospect of having you join our community as a resident or a volunteer.

Sincerely,

Michael Klein President/CEO





# **Applying to Kavod Senior Living**

We welcome your application to live at Kavod Senior Living community. Kavod Senior Living (Kavod) consists of Kavod Senior Life and Kavod Senior Housing & Services, two non-profit corporations governed by a Board of Directors representing the Denver Community. The apartments are regulated and subsidized by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). To live at Kavod, HUD regulations state that:

- 1. The head of household must be at least 62 years of age.
- 2. Applicants for subsidized apartments must have finances that do not exceed local income eligibility guidelines established by HUD. HUD determines eligibility by evaluating an applicant's income as derived from <u>ALL SOURCES</u>. Documentation of all income information is required by HUD and must be provided by applicants. Income eligibility amounts for subsidized units are determined by current HUD schedules. Some market rate non-subsidized units are available for applicants at higher income levels.
- 3. Applicants must be able to care for themselves or personally arrange for necessary assistance and must be able and willing to comply with the lease and house rules. A personal interview conducted by Kavod Health and Wellness department will be conducted upon move-in.
- 4. Kavod has a meal program which is part of the lease agreement. It consists of six kosher-style meals a week (Sunday through Friday). Kosher meals are also available upon request. Exemptions may be considered and SNAP benefits should soon be accepted.

The following guidelines will assist you in understanding the procedure that will be followed to process your completed application:

1. Applications may be mailed, dropped off, emailed, or faxed to:

Kavod Senior Life Attn: Leasing Coordinator 22 South Adams Street Denver, CO 80209

Drop Box in Lobby Open 24/7

Email: Applications@KavodSeniorLife.org

Fax: 720.382.7850

2. The application is received by Kavod's Leasing Coordinator and reviewed for completion of all required information.

- 3. If complete, the application is stamped with the date and time the application was received. The applicant is added to the wait list.
- 4. If incomplete, the application will be returned with a request for additional information.
- 5. If complete, the application is then reviewed to determine if applicant meets HUD requirements for age, income, and citizenship/alien status. A credit check, criminal background check, landlord check, and disability verification will be conducted per Kavod's Resident Selection Plan.
- 6. If the application is denied, written notification will be sent explaining the reasons for denial and the process of appeal.
- 7. Kavod administers its wait list as required by HUD handbooks and regulations. Kavod will update the wait list every six months by contacting all applicants in writing or by the phone. The applicant may submit in writing their continued interest and notify Kavod in writing of any change of address, phone, or other information relevant to the application. Written correspondence should be sent to:

Kavod Senior Life Attn: Leasing Coordinator 22 South Adams Denver, CO 80209

- 8. As possible admission nears: an interview will be scheduled with the applicant and Resident Care staff; the applicant may tour the facility to affirm the applicant's ability to fulfill the terms of the lease; and, fiscal account numbers and signatures for release of financial documentation and verification of medical expenses will also be obtained as required by HUD.
- 9. When an apartment becomes available, the Leasing Coordinator will contact the applicant with a potential move-in date. A lease orientation will be scheduled to sign the lease, collect rent and dining services payments, and review all information needed to create a smooth transition to Kavod.
- 10. Refusal of an apartment when offered is cause for the applicant to be removed from the wait list.



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# Q: How much does it cost to live at Kavod Senior Living?

- **A:** Kavod Senior Living specializes in affordable senior housing. Most of our apartments are subsidized by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In this program, rents are calculated based on an applicant's total adjusted income. The rent a family will pay is the *highest* of the following amounts:
  - 30% of the family's monthly *adjusted* income
  - 10% of the family's monthly income
  - Or \$25 minimum rent

You are generally eligible for a subsidy if your income is under \$66,300/year for an individual or \$75,750/year combined for couples. Applicants may request a copy of income limits or check them online at http://huduser.org/datasets/il.html. When determining the amount of income from assets to be included in annual income, the actual income derived from the assets is included except when the cash value of all of the assets is in excess of \$5,000, then the amount included in annual income is the higher of .06% of the total assets or the actual income derived from the assets.

For individuals whose incomes are above the subsidy income limits, market-rate apartment rentals range from \$1,150 – \$1,240/month.

Rent includes all utilities other than phone and cable. There is a separate charge for the meal program, which as of March 1, 2024 is \$270/month. Kavod Senior Living offers subsidies to residents whose individual annual adjusted gross income is \$12,089 or less per year or combined (for couples) annual adjusted income is \$24,246 or less per year. USDA-SNAP benefits will soon be accepted, and exemptions may be considered.

We suggest you speak with the Kavod Senior Life Leasing Coordinator to get an estimate of what your rent and meal program charges will be.





# Q: How long is your waitlist?

**A:** Our waitlist times can vary from month to month so it is best to contact our Leasing Coordinator to get the most up to date information.

# Q: Do I need to apply for a separate housing subsidy to live at Kavod?

**A:** No, Kavod Senior Living works in tandem with the HUD program, so you only need to fill out one application for an apartment and the subsidy.

# Q: Do I have to dispose of my assets to qualify for subsidized housing?

A: No. You may maintain your assets. When determining the amount of income from assets to be included in annual income, the actual income derived from the assets is included except when the cash value of all of the assets is in excess of \$5,000, then the amount included in annual income is the higher of .06% of the total assets or the actual income derived from the assets. Each applicant's situation is unique and it is best to contact the Leasing Coordinator to determine your subsidized housing or market rate eligibility.

# Q: Why do I have to provide financial and medical expense information on my application?

**A:** Rent at Kavod Senior Living is based on a number of factors including income, assets and applicable medical expenses. The information you provide is then verified by a third party to determine a person's eligibility for the HUD subsidy program and the amount of the resident's rent.

# Q: How much does it cost to apply?

**A:** It is free to apply for housing and to be added to the waitlist. You will not be asked to pay any money until you have signed your lease and receive possession of an apartment. At that time, you will be required to pay for the rent, security deposit, and meal program fees.

# Q: Do you have 2 bedroom apartments?

**A:** No. Kavod is made up of studio and one-bedroom apartments.

# Q: Do you have furnished apartments?

**A:** All apartments include a refrigerator and a stove; residents must provide their own furnishings.

# Q: Do you have to be Jewish to live at Kavod Senior Life?

A: No. We pride ourselves on being a community that is open to all, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability, familial status, or sexual orientation.

# Q: I need to move immediately. Do you give any preference to individuals in need?

**A:** We are governed by state and federal fair housing law, which prohibits us from giving preferential treatment to any individual. The only exception would be individuals that are victims of a Presidential declared disaster such as Hurricane Sandy. These individuals may be eligible to receive priority on our waitlist.

# Q: Can I choose where my apartment will be located?

**A**: Apartments are leased to applicants on a first come first serve basis. If an applicant does not accept an apartment when offered, their name is removed from the top of the waiting list and the applicant must reapply.

### **Q:** Is the meal program mandatory?

A: Yes. Kavod Senior Living serves six meals per week, Sunday through Friday. Currently the meal program cost is \$270 per month. A meal subsidy may be available to individuals who qualify. We find that the meal program is an important service in helping residents remain independent for as long as possible. USDA-SNAP benefits will soon be accepted, and exemptions may be considered. Kavod also supports residents with supplemental food through food banks and other assistive agencies.

# Q: Is Kavod Senior Life a safe place to live?

**A:** Kavod Senior Living and Kavod Assisted Living are both located in the desirable Cherry Creek neighborhood. The entrances to Kavod's campus are controlled access, though as with any community, safety or security cannot be guaranteed. Kavod has video security monitors throughout the facility and maintains onsite night managers. We recommend that applicants check with the local police department to make an informed decision.

# Q: What if I need assisted living?

**A.** Kavod Senior Life also offers Assisted Living that provides assistance with medication and all the activities of daily living, as well as 3 meals each day. Contact our Leasing Coordinator for further details.



## **Checklist of Items to Return**

We want to ensure that your application will be processed efficiently. To assist you, please use this checklist of items that must be completed. Application with Consent for Landlord Reference Credit and Background Inquiry Release and ID Family Summary Sheet Citizenship Declaration with appropriate documentation Meal Program Acknowledgement How Did You Hear About Us Questionnaire HUD Release of Information packet, "Document Package for Applicant's/ Tenant's Consent to the Release Of Information" (which includes 1) Form HUD-9887 and 2) Form HUD-9887-A HUD Form 92006 (Supplement to Application for Federally Assisted Housing) Race and Ethnic Data reporting form Please mail, drop off, email, or fax your applications to: Kavod Senior Life Attn: Leasing Coordinator

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# **Resident Selection Plan & Occupancy Standards** (Effective 05/31/2024)

Kavod Senior Life (Kavod) provides affordable housing and services to enhance the personal dignity of older individuals. Guided by Jewish tradition, the community is designed to enrich the residents' physical, emotional and spiritual quality of life, to help them age in place and to maintain the highest possible level of independence. Kavod serves people of all religions.

Kavod consists of Kavod Senior Life and Kavod Senior Housing & Services, two non-profit corporations governed by a Board of Directors representing the Denver Community.

Kavod selects residents in compliance with applicable laws and regulations including fair housing and equal opportunity requirements. The Resident Selection Plan is developed to ensure reasonable and objective standards for determining eligibility of applicants, consistent with the purpose and mission of the company.

### I. HUD Program Requirements for Eligibility

Kavod is regulated and subsidized by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Applicants and tenants must meet the following requirements to be eligible for occupancy and housing assistance:

- 1. Applicants for subsidized apartments must have finances that do not exceed local income eligibility guidelines established by HUD. HUD determines eligibility by evaluating an applicant's income as derived from ALL SOURCES. Documentation of all income information is required by HUD and must be provided by applicants. Income eligibility amounts for subsidized units are determined by current HUD schedules. Some market rate non-subsidized units are available for applicants at higher income levels.
- 2. Social Security Number Disclosure Requirements.
- 2.1. All household members receiving HUD housing assistance or applying to receive HUD housing assistance are required to provide a Social Security Number and adequate documentation necessary to verify that number.

This rule applies to all household members including live-in aides, foster children and foster adults. Adequate documentation includes a Social Security card issued by the Social Security Administration (SSA) or other acceptable evidence of the SSN such as:

- Original Social Security card;
- Driver's license with SSN;
- Identification card issued by a federal, State, or local agency, a medical insurance provider, or an employer or trade union;



- Earnings statements on payroll stubs;
- Bank statement;
- Form 1099;
- Benefit award letter;
- Retirement benefit letter;
- Life insurance policy;
- Court records.

If the applicant cannot provide any of the above, the applicant will advise the owner/agent. The owner/agent may accept self-certification of SSN and at least one third-party document, such as a bank statement, utility or cell phone bill, benefit letter, etc., that contains the name of the individual. When none of the other accepted methods is available and if verifying an individual's SSN using this method, the owner/agent must document why the other SSN documentation was not available. If the resident's SSN becomes verified in EIV, then no further verification is required. If the resident's SSN fails the SSA identity match, then the owner/agent must obtain a valid SSN card issued by the SSA or an original document issued by a federal or state government agency that contains the name of the individual and the SSN of the individual, along with other identifying information of the individual. The resident family's assistance must be terminated if they fail to provide the required documentation.

## 2.2. Exceptions to Disclosure of Social Security Number

The Social Security Number requirements do not apply to:

- Individuals age 62 or older as of January 31, 2010, whose initial determination of eligibility began before January 31, 2010.
- Individuals who do not contend eligible immigration status.
- A child under the age of 6 years added to the applicant family within the 6-month period prior to the household's date of admission. The household will have a maximum of 90-days after the date of admission to provide the Social Security Number and adequate documentation that the Social Security Number is valid. An additional 90 days may be granted under certain circumstances. If the household does not provide the Social Security Number and adequate documentation to verify the Social Security Number within the prescribed timeframe, HUD requires that the owner/agent terminate tenancy.
- A minor under the age of 6 years being added to the household after move-in. The household will have a maximum of 90-days after adding the child to provide the Social Security Number and adequate documentation that the Social Security Number is valid. An additional 90 days may be granted under certain circumstances. If the household does not provide the Social Security Number and adequate documentation to verify the Social Security Number within the prescribed timeframe, HUD requires that the owner/agent terminate tenancy.
- Foster children or adults when: The foster agency will not provide the SSN or adequate documentation to verify the SSN; - and HUD approves.

If, at the time a unit becomes available, all non-exempt household members have not provided adequate documentation necessary to verify Social Security Numbers, the next eligible applicant family must be offered the available unit.



All non-exempt household members have ninety (90) days-from the date they are first notified that a unit is available-to provide documentation necessary to verify the Social Security Numbers. During this 90-day period, the household may retain its place on the waiting list but will not be considered again until the required documentation is provided.

If, after ninety (90) days, the applicant family is unable to disclose/verify the Social Security Numbers of all non-exempt household members, the household will be determined ineligible and removed from the waiting list.

The applicant family may apply again, after obtaining the appropriate documentation. The applicant family will be placed on the waiting list based on the date and time the new Application is received.

### 2.3. Secondary Verification of the Social Security Number

The Social Security Number provided will be compared to the information recorded in the Social Security Administration database through HUD's Enterprise Income Verification System (EIV) to ensure that the Social Security Number, birth date and last name match.

If EIV returns an error that cannot be explained or resolved, assistance and/or tenancy may be terminated and any improper payment must be returned to HUD.

If an applicant/resident deliberately provides an inaccurate Social Security Number, the owner/agent and/or HUD may pursue additional penalties due to attempted fraud.

### 3. Consent and Verification Forms

Currently, all adult applicants must sign HUD's 9887 and 9887A before being admitted to the housing program and at each Annual Recertification.

Note: The following rules about consent forms require HUD to release an updated 9887.

Starting the later of January 1, 2024 or when HUD releases an updated 9887, all applicants must sign HUD's consent forms at admission. After an applicant or resident has signed and submitted a consent form either on or after January 1, 2024, they do not need to sign and submit subsequent consent forms except under the following circumstances:

- When a new member is added to the unit if: the new member is 18 years of age or older, or the new member is the HOH, co-HOH/spouse regardless of age;
- When a member of the family turns 18 years of age; and
- As required by HUD in administrative instructions.

These consent forms contain provisions authorizing HUD and owner/agent to obtain necessary information for verification of an application or to maintain a family's assistance, including income information and tax return information. The executed consent forms will remain effective until the family is denied assistance, or the assistance is terminated. If a family leaves a HUD program (moves-



out), the family's assistance is considered to be terminated and the signed consent forms will no longer be in effect.

Any adult member of the family may provide written notification to the owner/agent to revoke consent. Doing so makes the family ineligible and housing assistance will be terminated immediately. Termination will be completed in accordance with the HUD lease and HUD guidance. The resident will be provided with a 30-Day Notice of Rent Increase as required.

If, subsequently, the family wishes to reapply for assistance, and when such assistance is available, the HOH, co-HOH/spouse and all adult members will be required to submit the signed 9887 documents with any documentation required to determine eligibility. Failure to do so will result in denial of assistance under HUD's program rules.

When a minor living in the unit turns 18, he/she will have thirty (30) days to meet with the management staff and sign appropriate forms. Failure to do so will result in termination of assistance for the entire household.

4. The unit for which the household is applying for assistance must be the household's only residence.

### 5. Section 8 Asset Restrictions

The following Section 8 Asset Restrictions are considered when determining eligibility of families applying for Section 8 Housing Assistance: Asset Restrictions apply only to families applying for Section 8 Assistance. This rule does not apply to existing residents currently receiving Section 8 assistance until next annual recertification and software update.

### 5.1. Home Ownership- Real Property Rule

The Housing Opportunities Through Modernization Act (HOTMA) provides that families cannot receive assistance if they have a present ownership interest in, legal right to reside in, and the effective legal authority to sell real property that is suitable for occupancy as a residence and that is located in the jurisdiction in which the property is located. This includes, but is not limited to a home, condominium, townhome, duplex, mobile home, etc. This restriction does not apply if:

- The property is jointly owned by a member of the family and at least one non-household member who does not live with the family, if the person resides in the jointly owned property;
- The property is not large enough for the size of the family;
- If there are any disabled family members, the home does not provide for the disability-related needs. (e.g., physical accessibility requirements, disability-related need for additional bedrooms, proximity to accessible transportation, etc.);
- The property is currently offered for sale. Under this proposed rule, in order to demonstrate that a family is offering property for sale, the owner/agent may require that the family provide evidence that the property has been listed for sale;



- The property is considered unsafe to reside in when the property's physical condition poses a risk to the family's health and safety and the condition of the property cannot be easily remedied;
- The family may not reside in the property under State or local laws of the jurisdiction where the property is located;
- The property is owned by a survivor of a VAWA crime (domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking) and such status prevents access to or use of the home or is there a possibility that the survivor could be in imminent danger if the survivor attempted to access the home;
- The property is located so that the distance or commuting time between the property and the family's place of work or a family member's educational institution would create a hardship for the family? (e.g., the distance or commuting time between the property and the family's place of work or school would be a hardship to the family, as determined by the owner/agent);
- The property is a manufactured home for which the family is receiving Section 8 tenant-based assistance;
- The family receives homeownership assistance from a PHA;
- The property part of an irrevocable trust.

### 5.2. Restrictions Based on Net Assets- Assets Cap

A dwelling unit may not be rented, and assistance may not be provided, either initially or upon reexamination of family income, to any family if the net family assets (as defined in § 5.603) exceed the current Asset Cap established by HUD - \$100,000.00 in 2024 (certain assets are excluded). This "cap" may be adjusted annually in accordance with a commonly recognized inflationary index, as determined by HUD.

The following assets will be excluded from the calculation when determining the net cash value of assets. The cash value of:

- ABLE Account;
- Amounts recovered in any civil action or settlement based on a claim of malpractice, negligence, or other breach of duty that resulted in a member of the family being disabled;
- Value of any Coverdell Education Savings Account or any qualified tuition program under Section 529;
- Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Accounts;
- Interest in Indian trust land;
- Irrevocable Trust;
- Necessary Personal Property;
- Non-necessary Personal Property as long as the net cash value of all Non-necessary Personal Property does not exceed HUD's Asset Threshold (\$50,000 in 2024 but subject to annual adjustment);
- Revocable Trusts when no one in the family (living in the unit) controls the trust;
- Retirement Accounts as defined by the IRS;
- Real property when the family does not have legal authority to sell such property;
- Equity in property for which a family receives HCV homeownership assistance from a PHA;



- Equity in a manufactured home where the family receives Section 8 tenant-based assistance;
- Other assets as announced by HUD through Federal Register Notice.

An applicant must agree to pay the rent required by the program under which the applicant will receive assistance. Kavod will use a Mean-tested verification method when software is updated.

### 5.2 Verification

The owner/agent shall obtain verifications in compliance with requirements set forth by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. After the preliminary eligibility determination, no decision to approve an application shall be made until information provided on the application form and during subsequent interviews has been collected and any necessary follow-up interviews have been performed.

All information relative to the following items must be verified as described in these procedures.

### 5.2.1. Methods of Verification

Verifications will be attempted as follows:

a) Means-tested Verification (also known as Safe Harbor. When verifying income at Move-in/Initial Certification, Annual Recertification and Interim Recertification, the owner/agent may determine a family's annual income, including income from assets, prior to the application of any deductions based on income determinations made within the previous 12-month period, using income determinations from the sources related to housing.

The Means-tested verification must state the family size, must be for the entire family (i.e., the family members listed in the documentation must match the family's composition in the assisted unit, except for non-family members), and must state the amount of the family's Annual Income. The Annual Income need not be broken down by family member or income type.

Annual income includes income earned from assets, therefore when using Means-tested Verification (also known as Safe Harbor) to verify a family's income, the owner/agent will not inquire about a family's net family assets, nor about the income earned from those assets. For any applicants applying for HUD's Section 8 assistance, the owner/agent will confirm that:

- The net cash value of all family assets does not exceed HUD's current Asset Cap; and
- That no member of the applicant's family owns real property suitable for occupancy (See the explanation of the Real Property Rule as explained in this document).

The Means-tested Verification (Safe Harbor) must show that the family's income determination was made within the 12 months prior to the receipt of the verification by the owner/agent. The Meanstested Verification (also known as Safe Harbor) documentation will be considered acceptable if any of the following dates fall into the 12-month period prior to the receipt of the documentation by the owner/agent.

- Income determination effective date:
- Program administrator's signature date;
- Family's signature date;



- Report effective date; or
- Other report-specific dates that verify the income determination date.

The only information that owner/agents are permitted to use to determine income under this Means-tested Verification (also known as Safe Harbor) is the total income determination made by the federal means-test program administrator. Other federal programs may provide additional information about income inclusions and exclusions in their documentation; however, these determinations and any other information will not be considered by the owner/agent for purposes of the Means-tested Verification (also known as Safe Harbor) provision. Owner/agents are not permitted to mix and match Safe Harbor income determinations and other income verifications.

The owner/agent will not use Means-tested Verification (Safe Harbor) when:

- The family wishes to use a Childcare Deduction when childcare enables a member to work;
- The family wishes to use the Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction;
- Any member of the family is participating in HUD's Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program.
- b) Upfront Income Verification (UIV) using HUD's Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system (EIV may be used as the sole verification of Social Security income);
- c) Upfront Income Verification (UIV) using non-EIV resources (e.g., Work Number, web-based state benefits system, etc.);
- d) Written, third-party verification from the source, also known as "tenant-provided verification". An original or authentic document generated by a third-party source dated within 120 days of the date received by the owner/agent. (e.g., resident provided bank statement). For fixed-income sources, a statement for the appropriate benefit year is acceptable documentation. Owner/agents will also accept third-party verification directly from the verification source. For example, owner/agents may obtain verification of disability directly from a medical care provider (e.g., physician, physical therapist, etc.) or may accept a letter provided by the provider to the resident;
- e) EIV with Self-Certification (Employment or Unemployment Income). The EIV Income Report may be used to verify and calculate income if the family self-certifies that the amount is accurate and representative of current income. The family will be provided with the information from EIV.
- f) A Written Third-party Verification Form (as appropriate);
- g) Oral verification. When verifying information over the telephone or via the internet, it is important to be certain that the person is the party he or she claims to be. When verifying information by phone, the owner must record and include in the tenant's file the following information:



- o Third-party's name, position, and contact information;
- o Information reported by the third party;
- o Name of the person who conducted the telephone/internet interview; and
- Date and time of the call.
- h) Family Self-Certification. In the absence of any of the above or as provided in HUD guidance, notarized or witnessed self-certification from the household member (the owner/agent is not required to accept family/self-certification). Except when accepted based on HUD guidance (e.g., Streamlining, Assets Disposed, etc.), when the owner/agent accepts Family Self-Certification, the tenant file will be documented, when appropriate, to show that staff attempted other acceptable verification before relying on family self-certification.
- 5.3. Streamlined Determination of Income, Streamlined Verification of Assets & Streamlined Certification for Fixed Income Families
  Kavod has implemented the following Streamlining processes.
- 5.3.1. Streamlined Determination of Fixed Income. At move-in and at least every three years, owner/agents will verify income from any fixed income source using verification methods described above. In Year 2 and in Year 3, owner/agents will apply any published/documented COLA or Fixed Percentage Increase to the previous year's fixed income amount.

Streamlined Verification of Assets When the Net Cash Value of Assets Is At Or Below The Current Asset Threshold Established By HUD (\$50,000 in 2024 But Subject To Annual Adjustment by HUD). At move-in and at least every three years, owner/agents will verify the cash value of assets that are not specifically excluded, and will verify the income from those assets when possible. In Year 2 and in Year 3, owner/agents will conduct such verification only if the net cash value of all family assets exceeds the current Asset Threshold. If the net cash value of all family assets (except those specifically excluded), is equal to or less than the current Asset Threshold, the owner/agent will accept the family's notarized or witnessed self-certification providing the net cash value of assets not specifically excluded and any known income from those assets. The owner/agent will accept Self-certification of Assets at move-in as long as the net cash value of assets is \$50,000 or less and the resident also provides anticipated income for those assets.

5.3.2. Streamlined Certification for Fixed Income Families. When 90% or more of the total annual income is derived from a fixed income source (e.g., Social Security, Pension, Annuity), at move-in and at least every three years, owner/agents will verify the cash value of assets that are not specifically excluded, any fixed income amounts and the amount of any income that is not fixed. In Year 2 and in Year 3, the owner/agent will apply Streamlined Determination of Fixed Income and Streamlined Verification of Assets. The owner/agent will also accept self-certification of amounts that are not fixed or the owner/agent will use the amount of income that is not fixed on the most recent 50059 in effect at the time of any certification interview.

Streamlining will not be utilized if any member of the family has received a lease violation for failing to fully and accurately report income information or if any member of the family has been required to return an improper payment to the Department of Housing & Urban Development.

6. Eligibility of Students for Section 8 assistance.

Kavod must determine a student's eligibility for assistance at move-in, annual recertification, initial certification, and at the time of an interim recertification if one of the household composition changes reported is that a household member has enrolled as a student.

- 6.1. A student who is otherwise eligible and meets screening requirements is eligible for assistance if the student meets the criteria indicated below. Section 8 assistance shall be provided to any individual who is enrolled as either a part-time or full-time student at an institution of higher education for the purpose of obtaining a degree, certificate, or other program leading to a recognized educational credential; when the student:
  - Is living with his or her parents who are receiving Section 8 assistance;
  - Is individually eligible to receive Section 8 assistance and has parents who are income eligible to receive Section 8 assistance;
  - Is a graduate or professional student;
  - Is a veteran of the United States military or is an active member of the United States military;
  - Is married;
  - Has a dependent other than a spouse (e.g., dependent child);
  - Is at least 24 years of age;
  - Is a person with disabilities, as such term is defined in section 3(b)(3)(E) of the 1937 Act and was receiving assistance under section 8 of the 1937 Act as of November 30, 2005;
  - Is classified as Vulnerable Youth; A student meets HUD's definition of a vulnerable youth when:
    - The individual is an orphan, in foster care, or a ward of the court or was an orphan, in foster care, or a ward of the court at any time when the individual was 13 years of age of older;
    - The individual is, or was immediately prior to attaining the age of majority, an emancipated minor or in legal guardianship as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in the individual's state of legal residence;
    - The individual has been verified during the school year in which the application is submitted as either an unaccompanied youth who is a homeless child or youth (as such terms are defined in section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act) (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.), or as unaccompanied, at risk of homelessness, and self-supporting, by:
      - A local educational agency homeless liaison, designated pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;
      - The director of a program funded under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act or a designee of the director;
      - The director of a program funded under subtitle B of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (relating to emergency shelter grants) or a designee of the director; or



- A financial aid administrator; or
- The individual is a student for whom a financial aid administrator makes a documented determination of independence by reason of other unusual circumstances.

If a student does not meet the eligibility criteria above, but can prove independence from parents under HUD rules, then the student would meet HUD's student eligibility criteria. Please see property staff if you need additional information about proving independence from parents.

If an ineligible student applies for or is a member of an existing household receiving Section 8 assistance, the assistance for the household will not be prorated but will be terminated.

Kavod will not evict or require an ineligible student to move from a unit as long as the student is in compliance with the terms of the lease.

### 6.2. Prohibition of Assistance to Noncitizen Students

Noncitizen students and their noncitizen families may not receive assistance. Noncitizen students are not eligible for continuation of assistance or temporary deferral of termination of assistance. A noncitizen student is defined as an individual who is as follows:

- A resident of another country to which the individual intends to return;
- A bona fide student pursuing a course of study in the United States; and
- A person admitted to the United States solely for the purpose of pursuing a course of study as indicated on an F-1 or M-1 student visa.

This prohibition applies to the noncitizen student's noncitizen spouse and noncitizen children. However, spouses and children who are U.S. citizens may receive assistance. For example, a family that includes a noncitizen student married to a U.S. citizen is a mixed family.

### 6.3. Student Financial Assistance

Student financial assistance that is not specifically excluded will be included as part of the family's Annual Income unless the student is the HOH, co-HOH/spouse and is over 23 (24) with a dependent child.

For Section 8 programs, any financial assistance that is provided through a qualified Coverdell Education Savings Account (ESA) or other qualified ESA, is excluded when determining Annual Income for the family.

Any financial assistance a student receives (1) from private sources, (2) from an institution of higher education, or (3) under the Higher Education Act of 1965, that is in excess of amounts received for tuition and other qualified fees, is included when determining Annual Income for the family, except if the student is the HOH, co-HOH or spouse and is at least 24 years of age with a dependent child or children (as defined by HUD).



Student financial assistance that is provided by persons not living in the unit is not part of annual income if the student meets the Department of Education's definition of "vulnerable youth".

Covered fees include tuition, books, supplies (including supplies and equipment to support students with learning disabilities or other disabilities), room and board, and fees required and charged to a student by an institution of higher education (as defined under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965). For a student who is not the Head-of-Household, Co-HOH/Spouse, actual covered costs also include the reasonable and actual costs of housing while attending the institution of higher education and not residing in an assisted unit.

- 7. Only U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens may receive assistance under the programs available at Kavod (Section 202/8, Section 236, and 221d3/Section 8). All adults in each applicant household must complete a Citizenship Declaration and provide verifiable documentation of their status. Non-citizen students and their non-citizen families may not receive assistance.
- 8. All information reported by the applicant is subject to verification.

### **II. Kavod Project Requirements for Eligibility**

Kavod is an Elderly and Disabled Household project. The Head of Household must be at least 62 years of age.

- 2. Income limits vary by household size. Kavod will provide applicants a copy of the income limits for the property upon request. In addition, applicants can review the income limits by accessing the following web site: http://huduser.org/datasets/il.html. As required by HUD, Kavod incorporates the most recently published income limits when determining eligibility. Income limits are updated by HUD annually. Qualified applicant households must meet the following income limit requirements:
  - for 11 South Adams Street (West building) very low, and extremely low;
  - for 22 South Adams Street (East building) low, very low, and extremely low;
  - for 44 South Adams Street (South building) very low, and extremely low.

Income Targeting Preference: Kavod must comply with HUD's Income Targeting Requirements. Kavod must lease not less than forty percent (40%) of the dwelling units that become available for occupancy in any project fiscal year to extremely low-income families. If Management determined that the required forty percent (40%) threshold may not be met, Management may "skip over" higher income applicants in order to reach extremely low income targeting. This will be accomplished by alternating between the first extremely low-income applicant on the wait list and the applicant at the top of the wait list.

3. Kavod has a statutory preference for applicants displaced due to government action or a presidential declared disaster such as Hurricane Sandy. Existing Kavod residents requesting transfers are also given preference on the wait list.



- 4. Kavod offers studios and one bedroom units. The maximum occupancy in either a studio or a one bedroom is two people. Kavod shall not provide bedroom space for persons who are not members of the household, such as adult children on active military duty, permanently institutionalized family members or visitors. Kavod will count all full-time members of the household and live-in attendants. Household composition will be considered when applying this rule.
- 5. Applicants must be able to care for themselves or personally arrange for necessary assistance and must be able and willing to comply with the lease and house rules. Persons with disabilities may meet the requirements of the lease with the self-provided assistance of others, including an assistance animal, live-in aide, or with services provided by someone who does not live in the unit.
- 6. Applicants must have verifiable rental/owner history, credit history, and non-criminal background. Screening is used to help ensure that applicants admitted to the property meet the requirements for eligibility and will abide by the terms of the lease, pay rent on time, take care of the property, and unit, and allow all residents to peacefully enjoy their homes. Management may decline applicants for poor credit/rental history; however, lack of applicable history is not grounds for rejection.
- 7. A personal interview conducted by Kavod Resident Care department will be scheduled. During the meeting Kavod Care Coordinator will collect vital personal and medical information, provide valuable information about services and assistance they provide to the residents as well as provide them with information on Kavod's available services (housekeeping and laundry services, activities, groups and clubs, volunteer opportunities, etc.) This interview has no effect on someone's eligibility or tenancy.
- 8. Kavod has a meal program which is part of the lease agreement. It consists of six meals a week (Sunday through Friday). The monthly cost of the meal program approved by HUD is subject to change annually.

### **III. Application Process**

The following guidelines will assist you in understanding the procedure that will be followed to process your completed application:

- 1. Applications may be delivered in person, sent by mail or email or faxed.
  - Mail or deliver completed application materials to:

**Kavod Senior Life** 

Attn: Leasing Coordinator

22 South Adams Street

Denver, CO 80209

- Email completed applications to <a href="mailto:Applications@KavodSeniorLife.org">Applications@KavodSeniorLife.org</a>
- Fax completed applications to 720-382-7850
- 2. The application is received by Kavod's Leasing Coordinator and reviewed for completion of all required information.



- 3. If any item is incomplete it will be returned with a request for additional information.
- 4. If complete, the application is stamped with the date and time received and the applicant's name is entered on the bottom of the wait list. If the applicant is requesting residence in our Assisted Living, their completed application will be added to the Assisted Living wait list.
- 5. The application is then reviewed to determine if applicant(s) meets HUD requirements for age, income, and citizenship/alien status. Kavod will decline applicant(s) if the applicant is ineligible for occupancy for our project type as indicated in Section II, Item 1, is unable to disclose and document social security numbers of all household applicable members, does not sign and submit verification consent forms or the Authorization for Release of Information, or has household characteristics that are not appropriate for the specific type of units within our property. All rejection notices will be completed in writing.
- 6. As a part of initial screening all applicants will be subject to EIV (Enterprise Income Verification) System Existing Tenant Search in order to verify HUD compliance criteria of single residence. Income and Discrepancy Report (if applicable) will be conducted 90 days after the move in to insure compliance with HUD Regulations.
- 7. Criminal background check, credit check, landlord checks, and disability verification are conducted at receipt of application and/or within 120 days of move in.

The following conditions would warrant an automatic decline for occupancy:

- The applicant or household member is subject to a lifetime registration requirement under a state sex-offender registration program.
- The applicant or household member has been evicted from federally-assisted housing for drug-related criminal activity within five years from the date of admission. This is not a reason for mandatory rejection and the applicant must present mitigating circumstances, including:
   a) completing a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program or b) the circumstances leading to the eviction no longer exist.

The following conditions would warrant a possible decline for occupancy: Criminal Background:

- Criminal background check indicates a felony or a drug or alcohol related conviction within the last five (5) years.
- Criminal background check indicates conviction date within the last two (2) years from the date of application for a felony offense.

An arrest is not sufficient evidence of criminal activity and cannot be the sole basis for denial from or termination of tenancy.

Kavod will consider the nature, relevance, and recency of the criminal activity.

### Credit Check:

- Any delinquent or charge off debt over \$100 due to other apartment communities.
- Credit history for the last three (3) years will be reviewed.
- Amounts placed for collection totaling \$3,000 or more.
- Amounts placed into charge-offs accounts totaling \$3,000 or more.
- A derogatory credit item(s) within the past three (3) years such as repossessions, foreclosures, judgments, liens and any open bankruptcy.

Negative information will not necessarily result in an applicant family's automatic denial from housing. Kavod will consider the accuracy, nature, relevance, and recency of negative information, and any mitigating or extenuating circumstances before a denial is issued and during any subsequent appeal of a denial. Records that demonstrate that the applicant prevailed against any allegations, or matters were settled without either party admitting fault, will not be used to deny the applicant. Kavod will take reasonable efforts to investigate conflicting information, such as evidence of a criminal record without a conviction date on the screening report.

Pre-Denial Notification: Prior to making a negative eligibility determination, Kavod will notify the applicant of the proposed decision, present a copy of the negative record used to support the proposed decision to the applicant, and provide the applicant the opportunity to dispute the information by providing mitigating circumstances as outlined in previous paragraph or providing information that the record is incorrect. Applicants will be given 10 days from receipt of the predenial notification to dispute it. If, within this period of time, Kavod do not receive a response, Kavod shall proceed to the denial process. After considering any materials or information received, Kavod shall have fourteen (14) days to rescind the negative eligibility determination or proceed with denial.

Denials: For all applicants denied, Kavod will continue to transmit written notification to the applicant of the reason for the denial and must include any information relied on to deny the applicant. Applicant(s) will be notified in writing of the decision if they are denied admission. The rejection notice will include specifically stated reason(s) for the rejection and applicant's right to appeal and to respond to Kavod in writing to request a meeting within fourteen (14) days to dispute the rejection.

Derogatory credit relating to medical expense will not be considered as grounds for declining an applicant.

Landlord Check: Landlord check revealed an eviction within the last five (5) years.

- 8. Kavod uses these additional guidelines to decline for occupancy:
  - Applicant(s) cannot have any non-compliance with previous rental agreements, such as violating the lease and/or house rules, altering property, destruction of property, non-payment of rent, failure to cooperate with applicable re-certification procedures, termination of assistance for fraud, unauthorized guests and/or pets, living or housekeeping habits which may adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of other tenants or the applicant



him/herself. Rental history screening will also include verification for those who lived with parents, guardians, or other relatives.

- If any household member is currently engaged in illegal drug use.
- If Kavod determines that there is reasonable cause to believe that a household member's illegal use or pattern of illegal use of drug or pattern of abuse of alcohol may interfere with the health, safety, or right of peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents. Pattern of alcohol abuse is defined as three (3) or more offenses within the last five (5) years.
- Applicant(s) cannot have any record of fraud in connection with any housing program, or any willful misrepresentation in this application procedure.

Kavod uses a third party screening provider to conduct our credit checks. Applicant has the rights to review their credit report. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the credit reporting agency to resolve any items that have been incorrectly reported.

Kavod reserves the rights to conduct criminal background checks at any time during application process or residency if in receipt of credible and verifiable information that would lead to ineligibility.

9. It is the policy of Kavod to administer its wait list as required by HUD handbooks and regulations. Kavod will update the wait list every six months by contacting all applicants in writing or by the phone.

The applicant must notify Kavod in writing or by phone of any change of address, phone, or other information relevant to the application. Written correspondence should be sent to: Kavod Senior Life, Attn: Leasing Coordinator, 22 South Adams Street, Denver, CO 80209

- 10. Kavod will not remove an applicant's name from the wait list unless:
  - The applicant requests that the name be removed.
  - Kavod made a reasonable effort, in writing or/and by phone, to contact the applicant to determine if there was continued interest in housing but was unsuccessful in making contact.
  - Mail sent to the applicant's address is returned as undeliverable.
  - Kavod will notify the applicant, in writing, of its intention to remove the applicant's name because the applicant no longer qualifies for assisted housing.
  - The unit that is needed using household size as the basis has changed, and no appropriate size unit exists in the property.
  - Applicant refused one (1) offer of unit for other than medically related reason.

If an applicant is removed from the list, and subsequently Kavod determines that an error was made in removing the applicant, the applicant will be reinstated at the original place on the wait list. If an applicant is in the hospital at the time an apartment is offered and therefore is unable to move in at that time, the applicant's original place on the wait list will be maintained.

- 11. As possible admission nears:
  - The applicant may tour the facility.



- An interview will be scheduled with the applicant and resident care staff to inform future tenants of available programs and services.
- An account of income, assets, and medical expenses, as well as signatures for release of financial documentation and verification of medical expenses will also be obtained as required by HUD.
- 12. When an apartment becomes available, the Leasing Coordinator will contact the applicant with a potential move-in date. A lease orientation will be scheduled to sign the lease, collect deposit, rent and food service payments, and review all information needed to create a smooth transition to Kavod.
- 13. Refusal of an apartment when offered is cause for the applicant to be removed from the wait list, except in cases where a studio unit is turned down (only if No Preference was marked on Application) or applicant has medically related reason. The applicant would need to re-apply to be added to the wait list.

### IV. Wait List Management

- 1. Kavod maintains one (1) wait list for admittance to any of our three (3) properties. When a unit becomes vacant, Kavod selects the next applicant from the top of the wait list based on the unit size available, preferences established for the property, income-targeting policies and requirements, and screening policies. Kavod wait list tracks data required by HUD and fair housing guidelines.
- 2. If we are unable to rent an accessible unit to an applicant who could benefit from the features of the accessible unit, Kavod will offer the unit to the next applicant on the waitlist. The applicant will be required to sign a Lease Addendum that specifies their family will move to a non-accessible unit of the proper size to accommodate an applicant or current resident's reasonable accommodations request if needed.
- 3. Kavod may close our waitlist if the average wait for an apartment is excessive (e.g., two years or more). When Kavod closes the list, we notify potential applicants of such and refrain from accepting additional applications. We will publish notice that our waitlist is closed on our website (www.kavodseniorlife.org) and other publications likely to be read by potential applicants. When Kavod decides to accept applications again, we will publish notice that our wait list is open on our website and other publications likely to be read by potential applicants. The notice will include specific instructions for applying and the order in which applications will be processed.

### **V. Regulatory Provisions**

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities and establishes accessibility requirements by recipients of federal financial assistance in both housing and non-housing programs.



Under both Section 504 and the Fair Housing Act, a resident or applicant makes a reasonable accommodation request whenever he/she makes it clear to Kavod that a request is being made for an exception, change, or adjustment to a rule, policy, practice, service, or physical structure because of his/her disability. A request can be made by the person with the disability, a household member, or someone else acting on the individual's behalf. If the request is made orally, a Kavod staff member will put the request in writing for the resident or applicant to confirm with their signature.

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964: Kavod will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance from HUD.

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988), as amended: Kavod will comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or on familial status (including children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women, and people securing custody of children under the age of 18) in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance from HUD.

In order to assist residents and applicants with hearing or speech impairments, Kavod provides auxiliary aids to ensure everyone is given equal opportunity to receive and enjoy the benefits of our property (e.g., visual alarms; tactile signs; visual doorbell; reader; interpreter; applications, leases, and other information/communications in large print; TTY 1.800.659.2656; Relay Colorado service).

Any questions regarding Kavod's compliance with Section 504 can be directed to Olga Roush, Fair Housing Compliance Officer for Kavod. She can be contacted at 22 South Adams Street, Denver, CO 80209 or 303.399.1146.

# VI. Requests for Reasonable Accommodation/Modification and Disability Verification

Kavod will seek to identify and eliminate situations or procedures that create a barrier to equal housing opportunity for all. In accordance with Section 504, Kavod will make reasonable accommodations/ modifications for individual's disabilities (applicants and residents). A reasonable accommodation/modification is a change, exception, or adjustment to a program, service, building, dwelling unit, or workplace that will allow a qualified person with a disability to:

- Participate fully in a program.
- Take advantage of a service.
- Live in a dwelling; or
- Perform a job.

A request for reasonable accommodation/modification may include an accommodation or exception to the rules, standards and practices for the development and use of housing or housing-related facilities that would provide a person with a disability with equal opportunity to housing of their choice. A modification is any physical change to a dwelling unit or the public or common use areas of a building necessary to afford that person full enjoyment of the premises or the dwelling.



Kavod provides auxiliary aids to ensure effective communication with visual, hearing- and speech-impaired residents and applicants to give equal opportunity to receive and enjoy the benefits of our property (e.g., visual alarms; tactile signs; visual doorbell; reader; interpreter; applications, leases, and other information/communications in large print; TTY #1-800-659-2656; Relay Colorado service).

The obligation of Kavod to make reasonable accommodations/modifications applies only to people who are disabled. The requirement to make reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications does not apply to the other protected classes.

A person with a disability is a person who can provide verifiable proof that he/she:

- Has a physical or mental impairment that limits or substantially limits one or more major life activities:
- Is regarded as having such impairment; or
- Has a record of such impairment

A request for reasonable accommodation/modification may be made by any person with a disability, or by an entity acting on behalf of a person or person with disabilities to provide or secure equal access to housing, when the application of a zoning law or other land use regulation, policy of practice acts as a barrier to fair housing opportunities.

The resident/applicant with a disability must show that the accommodation/modification they are seeking has an identifiable relationship, or nexus, between the requested accommodation/modification and the individual's disability.

If the disability and need for the requested accommodation/modification are obvious or known to Kavod, Kavod may not ask for any additional information through the Request for Reasonable Accommodation Form and Third Party Accommodations Verification Form about the disability or need for the requested accommodation/modification.

If the resident's/applicant's disability is obvious or known to Kavod but the need for the requested accommodation/modification isn't obvious or otherwise known, Kavod will seek further information to verify that the accommodation/modification is needed because of the disability. If the disability is not obvious, Kavod will verify that he/she is, in fact, disabled and that the accommodation/modification is needed because of the disability.

### VII. Program access for persons with limited English proficiency (LEP)

Kavod will take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to the information and services they provide for persons with limited English proficiency (LEP). This includes persons who do not speak English as their primary language and who have a limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand English. Such steps may include interpreter services and/or written materials translated into other languages.



Each page of our website has a link at the top to change to the preferred language. Requests can also be made in person at the front desk at 22 S. Adams Street, Denver, CO 80209, where "I speak" cards are available or via email at <a href="mailto:info@KavodSeniorLife.org">info@KavodSeniorLife.org</a> or on our website: <a href="https://KavodSeniorLife.org">https://KavodSeniorLife.org</a>

### VIII. Policies to comply with the Violence Against Women Act

Kavod complies with the requirements outlined in the Violence Against Women Act. The Violence Against Women Act was promoted for a noble cause to make the lives of victims of abuse easier and to prevent homelessness. Some key points provided in the Act include:

- 1. A potential resident who certifies they are the victim of domestic violence will be allowed to be admitted even with poor credit and poor landlord evaluations if they can show the cause of these negative factors were caused by domestic violence. Kavod can require certification beyond self-certification of the applicant.
- 2. It assures that victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, etc. can have access to the criminal justice system without facing eviction.
- 3. Where someone is abusive to other members of the household, only the abuser may be evicted. Furthermore, the standards for eviction due to imminent threat have been strengthened.
- 4. Residents in assisted housing facing violence can be allowed early lease termination and unit transfers for a matter of safety.
- 5. Victims must certify their status as victims and that the incident in question was a bona fide incident of domestic violence by presenting appropriate documentation to Kavod, and nothing prevents a victim who has committed a crime or violated a lease from being evicted or terminated.
- 6. Nonretaliation. Kavod staff will not discriminate against any person because that person has opposed any act or practice made unlawful by the Violence Against Women Act or because that person testified, assisted, or participated in any matter related to the Violence Against Women Act or a VAWA crime.
- 7. Noncoercion. Kavod staff shall not coerce, intimidate, threaten, or interfere with, or retaliate against, any person in the exercise or enjoyment of, on account of the person having exercised or enjoyed, or on account of the person having aided or encouraged any other person in the exercise or enjoyment of, any rights or protections under the Violence Against Women Act including:
  - Intimidating or threatening any person because that person is assisting or encouraging a person entitled to claim the rights or protections under the Violence Against Women Act.
  - Retaliating against any person because that person has participated in any investigation or action to enforce the Violence Against Women Act.



- 8. Protection to Report Crimes from Home. Kavod staff, residents, occupants, service providers, guests and applicants:
  - Shall have the right to seek law enforcement or emergency assistance on their own behalf or on behalf of another person in need of assistance; and
  - Shall not be penalized based on their requests for assistance or based on criminal activity of which they are a victim or otherwise not at fault under statutes, ordinances, regulations, or policies adopted or enforced by covered governmental entities. Prohibited penalties include:
    - o Actual or threatened assessment of monetary or criminal penalties, fines, or fees.
    - Actual or threatened eviction.
    - o Actual or threatened refusal to rent or renew tenancy.

### IX. Occupancy Standards

1. The initial lease term is for one year. A notice to vacate is required to terminate the lease agreement by the resident.

A security deposit is required at the time of lease signing and is payable in the form of personal check or money order. The amount of the security deposit established at move-in does not change when a resident rent changes. This security deposit is held in an interest bearing account and accrues interest for the resident.

Residents agree to comply with all lease requirements and house rules, and are willing to pay the rent and meal program payment in accordance with the lease. Rent and meal program payments can be made by check, money order, or ACH withdrawal from resident checking or savings account.

Applicant and residents must behave in courteous way, be properly dressed, use respectful language, act in business-like manner.

- 2. Residents are permitted to keep common household pets in their units subject to the Pet Agreement and Pet Rules. A pet deposit in the amount of \$300 is required for a dog or cat. The first installment of \$50.00 or less is due upon the signing of this Agreement; the balance will be paid in monthly installments of at least \$10.00 until paid in full. Kavod may use the pet deposit only to pay reasonable expenses directly attributable to the presence of the pet on the property. Such expenses would include, but not be limited to, the cost of repairs and replacement to the unit, fumigation of the unit, and the cost of animal care facilities. This pet deposit is held in an interest bearing account and accrues interest for the resident from the time of the pet move-in to pet move-out.
- 3. According to HUD rules and regulations, Kavod must recertify all residents receiving Section 8 assistance on an annual basis. Re-certifications are scheduled by building and floor. Recertification notices are sent 120, 90, and 60 days prior to recertification.

### 4. Rent Calculation

The Total Tenant Payment (TTP) will be calculated in compliance with HUD rules. This means that the family will pay the greater of:



- 10% of Monthly Income;
- 30% of Monthly Adjusted Income; or
- Welfare rent (welfare recipients in as-paid localities only); or
- The \$25 minimum rent (Section 8 only).

Kavod is required to ensure that residents pay the correct Tenant Rent based on HUD's requirements.

- 5. Hardship: In certain situations, Kavod will make a Hardship Exemption related to Minimum Rent (Section 8 only) and/or Annual Deductions.
- 5.1. Kavod may, at Kavod management's discretion, grant a Hardship Exemption waiving a family's requirement to pay Section 8 Minimum Rent. The owner/agent may also approve a request for a Hardship Exemption related to:
  - The Childcare Deduction;
  - The Health & Medical Expense Deduction; and/or
  - The Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Deduction.
- 5.2. The owner/agent will grant a Financial Hardship Exemption (General Relief) if:
  - The resident requests a Minimum Rent Hardship Exemption, a Financial Hardship Exemption or a Childcare Hardship Exemption;
  - The resident participates in a review meeting;
  - The resident provides required information and signatures within ten (10) business days;
  - There is an increase to TTP as described below:
  - The net Cash Value Of Assets for the entire family is \$50000 or less; and
  - The family's total Annual Income is at or below the current Extremely-low Income Limit, and;
  - The change results in a TTP that exceeds 20% of the family's Annual Income.
  - The resident has not provided Notice to Move;
  - The resident is a resident in good standing and the owner/agent has not indicated intent to terminate assistance and/or terminate tenancy (eviction);
  - The resident agrees to participate and participates in a review meeting at least every 90 days or upon request by the owner/agent.
- 5.3. If the Request for the Financial Hardship Exemption (General Relief) is approved, the Health & Medical Expense or Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense will be reduced by 5% of the family's Annual Income instead of reducing the Expense by 10% of the family's Annual Income.
- 5.4. The Hardship Exemption (General Relief) ends at the earliest of:
  - Ninety (90) calendar days from the Effective Date of the Certification implementing the exemption;
  - Such time the owner/agent determines the need for the Financial Hardship Exemption no longer exists and the family is able to pay their rent without the Financial Hardship Exemption;
  - Assistance is terminated;

- The resident fails to meet with property staff or provide information/signatures, as required, at least every 90 days or upon request from the owner/agent.

5.5. The resident may request and the owner/agent may extend the Financial Hardship Exemption (General Relief), for increments of no more than 90 days. There is no limit to the number of times the Hardship Exemption may be extended.

For additional information related to Hardship Exemptions, please contact the leasing department staff.

6. Reporting Changes Between Annual Recertification (AR) Resident family composition, income and expenses are reviewed at least annually.

Residents are required to report changes, between Annual Recertification, based on requirements outlined in the HUD Model Lease. Changes that result in an income increase or removal of a member must be reported within 30 days. The addition of a new resident (except minors) must be approved before the new member moves in to the unit. Failure to notify the owner/agent before a new member is added is a material lease violation and will result in termination of tenancy. Addition of new minors must be reported as quickly as possible, but not later than the date the next rent payment, is due after the minor is added.

If the change reported results in a reduction to family income, the owner/agent will process an Interim Recertification (IR), adjusting rent, when that reduction results in a decrease of the family's Annual Adjusted Income of 0% or more.

If the change is not related to earned income, and results in an income increase of the family's Annual Adjusted Income of 10% or more, the owner/agent will complete an Interim Recertification adjusting rent.

If the reported change includes an increase to earned income, but an Interim Recertification reducing earned income has not been completed since the last AR, the owner/agent will document the resident file, but will not recalculate the rent. However, if the IR reducing earned income has been completed since the last AR, the owner/agent will complete an IR adjusting rent. Residents are still required to report within 30 days as required by the lease and the owner/agent's policies.

If the residents comply with reporting requirements, rent changes will be implemented as follows: Rent increases. If the rent increases, the owner will give the tenant 30 days advance notice of the increase. The effective date of the increase will be the first of the month after the end of the 30-day period.

Rent decreases. If the rent will decrease, the change in rent is effective on the first day of the month after the date of action (e.g., first of the month after the date of loss of employment.) A 30-day notice is not required for rent decreases.



If the residents do not comply with the reporting requirements, and the owner discovers the tenant has failed to report changes as required, the owner will implement rent changes as follows:

- Rent increases. Owners must implement any resulting rent increase retroactive to the first of the month following the date that the action occurred.
- Rent decreases. Any resulting rent decrease must be implemented effective the first rent period following completion of the recertification. The owner/agent will make rent decreases retroactive under certain circumstances.

### 7. Errors

7.1 Errors Caused by a Member of the Resident Family

If an owner suspects that a resident has inaccurately supplied or misrepresented information that affects the rent or a family's eligibility, the owner must investigate and document the resident's file.

If the resident family meets with the owner to discuss the error, and the owner is convinced the submissions were correct, the owner will document the file accordingly and close the investigation.

If, after meeting with the resident family, the owner determines that the provision of inaccurate information was an unintentional program violation, the owner will correct the rent calculation, if applicable, and provide the tenant with notice of the change in rent. If the resident received an improper payment, the resident will be required to return that improper payments, in compliance with the HUD lease.

If the tenant is unable to repay the full amount, the owner and tenant may enter into a repayment agreement.

If, after the income adjustment, the family no longer qualifies for assistance, the family may remain in the property subject to making repayments and paying market rent.

The owner may terminate tenancy if the resident refuses to pay any new monthly rent or refuses to repay the previously overpaid subsidy (improper payment) pursuant to any Repayment Agreement. The owner may terminate tenancy if the resident refuses to enter in to Repayment Agreement if such an option is offered.

If necessary, civil action may be filed to recover the funds.

If the owner determines the resident knowingly provided inaccurate or incomplete information, and this can be substantiated through documentation, the owner will pursue the incident as fraud.

7.2 Errors Caused by the Owner/Agent, a Service Bureau or Owner/Agent Software If the owner/agent determines that an error was made and the family's income was over-reported, the owner must complete corrections to the prior certification(s) affected by the income change. Once the corrections have been made, the owner must determine the difference between the amount of rent paid and the rent that should have been paid.



- The owner/agent will request a meeting to discuss the error;
- The owner/agent will prepare corrections or new certifications that must be signed by all adult members;
- The owner/agent will provide the family with written notification, which includes:
  - o A notice of the change in rent, effective retroactively to when the error occurred;
  - o The new monthly rent the tenant is required to pay;
  - o The amount of the overpayment of rent due; and
  - o A form used by the family choosing whether to:
    - Receive a full refund; or
    - Apply the overpayment to future monthly rent payments.

Please note that any credit will be applied to any outstanding rent payment before calculating the amount due to the resident family.

To maintain our property in decent, safe and sanitary condition, all apartments are inspected at least once a year by our Leasing department staff.

Kavod offers many services to our residents for their convenience. Following is a list of other charges you may incur for the use of these services:

Fee		
\$ 0.05 per envelope		
\$ 0.25 per fax		
\$ 0.10 per page		
\$ 2.00 per key		
\$ 2.00 per key		
\$ 25.00 per card		
\$150.00 per opener		
\$ 4.90 per bulb		
\$ 2.70 per bulb		
\$ 3.40 per bulb		
\$ 3.29 per bulb		
\$ 3.10 per bulb		
\$ 41.50		
\$ 95.00		
\$158.00		



### X. Unit Transfers

- 1. Resident Requests for Unit Transfers: Kavod will accept requests for transfer based on the following:
  - A unit transfer because of household size
  - A new unit because of changes in household composition
  - A deeper subsidy (because subsidy is not attached to the physical unit, this type of transfer is not typically required)
  - A unit transfer based on the need for an accessible unit
  - A unit transfer for a medical reason certified by a doctor or other medical professional
  - A unit transfer from a studio to one bedroom apartment
  - A unit transfer due to VAWA Rule.
- 2. All requests must be made in writing. Kavod will verify the need for a unit transfer for accessibility and/or medical reasons in writing from a doctor or medical professional who is familiar with the resident's disability or medical condition. There must be a reasonable nexus between the disability and/or medical reasons and the features needed in the alternative unit.

Residents are responsible for leaving the vacated unit clean and undamaged. Upon the unit being vacated by the resident, Kavod will perform a move-out inspection on the vacated unit to ensure there are no damages to the unit. Kavod will list any damages on the move-out inspection form and compare it with the move-in form to determine if the damage is reasonable wear and tear or excessive damage. Residents will be charged for damages that are determined beyond reasonable wear and tear, in compliance with the security deposit policy as stated in the Lease.

3. Transfers due to reasonable accommodations: If a member of a resident household becomes disabled with an impairment that requires special accessibility features and the resident requests an accessible unit, Kavod may move the resident into an accessible unit, or make modifications to the resident's existing unit. Transfers due to verifiable medical needs will be made at Kavod's expense unless doing so would constitute an undue financial or administrative burden.

The resident will be added to the wait list with priority over other applicant's requests for accessible units. The existing security deposit will be transferred to the new unit

- 4. Transfers to vacate an accessible unit: If Kavod is unable to rent an accessible apartment to an applicant who would benefit from the features of that unit, we will rent the apartment to the next applicant on the wait list. Should Kavod need the accessible unit to accommodate an applicant or current resident's reasonable accommodations request, Kavod will give the existing resident a 30-day notice to transfer to the next available non-accessible unit. The move would be at Kavod's expense. The existing security deposit will be transferred to the new unit.
- 5. Transfer from studio to one-bedroom: Residents are allowed to transfer from a studio unit to a one-bedroom unit at their request and at their cost. Residents submit their request by completing an Apartment Transfer Request form which is available in the East office after the first initial lease



expires (12 month). The resident will be added to the top of the wait list. When a one bedroom unit becomes available, the resident will be contacted by the Leasing Department. The resident may refuse an offer three (3) times for whatever reason. After that he/she will be placed at the end of the Wait List and will have to wait until his/her name comes to the top of the list again. The resident will be required to sign a new lease and appropriate paperwork for the new unit, and pay a new security deposit based on the new lease. The existing security deposit will be processed the same as if resident was vacating the property. An Apartment Transfer Request form may only be submitted once in a twelve (12) month period.

### **XI. Notification of Policy Changes**

30 days written notice will be given if changes made to the Kavod preferences in the Resident Selection Plan & Occupancy Standards.

If you have any questions regarding our Resident Selection Plan & Occupancy Standards, please contact our Leasing Department at 303.399.1146.



**Office Use Only**
Date Received Complete:
Time:
Staff Initials:

# **Application**

All applications and information will be reviewed on an impartial basis and will be kept confidential. All information, including age, legal status, and social security number, will be verified. Applicant must present documentation.

# **APPLICANT #1 (Head of Household)**

Last Nam	ie	First Name	Middle Nar	me	Emai	l Address
	Current Stree	et Address		City	State	Zip Code
	/	/			M/F/F	Prefer not to Respond
Age	Date of E	Birth	City o	f Birth	Sex (d	circle one)
	Social Secu	ırity Number			Telephone Numb	ber
Citizenship  US C	<u>o Status</u> Citizen	□ Legal	lmmigrant	_	Non-legal Immig	grant
			APPLICANT :	<u>#2</u>		
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		
	Current Stree	et Address		City	State	Zip Code
Age	Date of		City of Birth		Relationship t	o Applicant #1
		M	/ F / Prefer not to Resp	oond		
Social Se	curity Number		Sex (circle on	e)	Telep	hone Number
Citizenshi US C	<u>p Status</u> Citizen	□ Legal	lmmigrant		Non-legal Immig	grant

USPS Mail   Email   Home Phone   Cell Phone  What are your preferred hours to be contacted?							
	is your preferred language( e indicate what size apartm						
	Studio		One Bedroom		No Preference		
reas	s the applicant or any mem sonable accommodation to mple an ADA mobility acces	use ar	nd enjoy the dwelling becau	use of a	disability-related need (for		
□ If ye	Yes s, list all that apply		No		Prefer not to answer		
	you have a pet? Kavod does o ement is available upon requ	-		•	uirements must be met. Pet		
	Yes		No				
Do <u>y</u>	ou own a vehicle for which	a park	king space will be required	?			
	Yes		No				
	you or any member of the h cation?	ouseh	old currently enrolled as a	student	at an institution of higher		
	Yes		No				
Hav	e you been displaced due to	gove	rnment action or a preside	ential dec	clared disaster?		
	Yes		No				
Are	you or any member of the h Yes – FT or PT?	ouseh					
Are		house	No ehold been evicted within t  No		•		

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	you or any member of the house ce in the past (5) five years?	hol	d been convicted of a felony or drug or alcohol related
	$\exists \gamma_{es}$		No
•	please expand on criminal histonatically preclude you from being	-	or provide mitigating circumstances. This will not cepted.
-	ou or any member of the househorement?	ld s	subject to any state lifetime sex offender registration
	□ Yes		No
Are you	u presently receiving a rent subsid	dy f	rom HUD?
	Yes		No
Will you	u need a rent subsidy if approved	for	residency at Kavod Senior Life?
	Yes		No
	note: According to HUD Regulance. This residence must be the a		ns, tenants may have Section 8 assistance on only one cant's only residence.
Please	list all states you or any member	of	the household have lived:
building			ommunity and smoking is not allowed in any of the Smoking is only allowed outside in designated areas
	Yes	<b>-</b>	No
Do you	feel you can comply with the ind	oor	smoking ban?
	Yes [	<b>-</b>	No

**Application** 

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Current Landlord:

#### **Consent for Landlord Reference**

Please provide housing contact information for the **past five (5) years**; you may use an additional page if necessary. These references will be contacted by Kavod leasing personnel. Rental history screening will also include verification for those who were homeowners or lived with parents, guardians, or other relatives; if this applies to you, please provide contact information for family members, guardians, and friends whom you have lived with in the past five (5) years.

			/ /	to / /
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Dates o	of Residency
Street Ac	ldress	City	State	Zip Code
Former Landlord:				
			1 1	to / /
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Dates o	of Residency
Street Ac	ldress	City	State	Zip Code
Former Landlord:				
			/ /	to / /
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Date	s of Residency
Street /	Address	City	State	Zip Code
<u>Former Landlord</u> :				
			/ /	to / /
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Date	s of Residency





#### **Consent for Landlord Reference**

Street Address		City	State	Zip Code	
Former Landlord:					
			/ /	to / /	
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Dates o	f Residency	
Street Ac	ldress	City	State	Zip Code	
Former Landlord:					
			/ /	to / /	
Name	Telephone Number	Fax Number	Dates o	f Residency	
Street Ad	ldress	City	State	Zip Code	
I hereby give permission to the listed landlords to provide Kavod Senior Life information regarding my residency.					
I understand that I do not have to sign this consent if it is not clear to me who will provide the information or who will receive the information.					
Applican	t's <b>Signature</b>		Date Signed		

"Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. Code states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making false or fraudulent statements to any department of the United States Government. HUD and any owner (or any employee of HUD or the owner) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form. Use of the information collected based on this verification form is restricted to the purposes cited above. Any person who knowingly or willingly requests, obtains or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or participant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000. Any applicant or participant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD or the owner responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use. Penalty provisions for misusing the social security number are contained in the Social Security Act at 208 (a) (6), (7) and (8). Violation of these provisions are cited as violations of 42 U.S.C. Section 408 (a) (6), (7) and (8).

Applicant's Name Printed



**Financial data** – This information must be completed to be considered for residency at Kavod Senior Living.

**Privacy Act Statement** – The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et. seq.), by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), and by the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19). The Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 3543) requires applicants and participants to submit the social security number of each household member who is 6 years old or older.

<u>Purpose</u>: Your income and other information are being collected by HUD to determine your eligibility, the appropriate bedroom size, and the amount your family will pay toward rent and utilities.

Other Uses: HUD uses your family income and other information to assist in managing and monitoring HUD-assisted housing programs, to protect the Government's financial interest, and to verify the accuracy of the information you provide. This information may be released to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies, when relevant, and to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigators and prosecutors. However, the information will not be otherwise disclosed or released outside of HUD, except as permitted or required by law.

<u>Penalty:</u> You must provide all of the information requested by the owner, including all social security numbers you, and all other household members age 6 years and older, have and use. Giving the social security numbers of all household members 6 years of age and older is mandatory, and not providing the social security numbers will affect your eligibility. Failure to provide any of the requested information may result in a delay or rejection of your eligibility approval.

#### Sources of **Monthly**

#### Income:

Social Security	\$
Supplemental Security Income	\$
Pensions/Benefits - Source	\$
Interest (Monthly) - Source	\$
Dividends (Monthly) - Source	\$
Gross Wages	\$
Rental Income	\$
Other Income	\$

**Total Monthly Income** 

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### Assets:

Checking Account(s)	Average Balance	\$	
Savings Account(s)	Average Balance		-
Market Value of Stocks	G	\$	-
Market Value of Bonds		\$	-
Market Value of Real Estate	(List Separately)	\$	-
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance		\$	-
Other Assets (Cash on Hand; Collectible	s; etc)	\$	-
Total Assets			- - <b>\$</b>
CERTIFICATION OF ASSET DISPOSITION			
This is to certify that I/We have not O Certificate(s) of Deposit, savings, stocks, this application. I did receive an earned	bonds, etc., at less th	nan market value w	ithin TWO YEARS of
Medical Expenses:			
Supplemental Health Insurance		\$	-
Medical Expenses not Covered by Insur	ance	\$	-
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### **Credit and Background Inquiry Release**

In connection with my application for residency at Kavod Senior Living ("Kavod"), I hereby authorize Kavod and/or its designated resident screening provider and/or its employees to obtain information concerning my past credit information, criminal information, tenantlandlord history, and/or past addresses, in accordance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act and all state and federal laws.

I hereby authorize any of the following sources, including but not limited to: landlords; public or privately-owned utilities; current or past creditors; governmental housing agencies; credit reporting agencies; criminal and court reporting agencies; and/or government or court agencies providing criminal or court records; to release any information to Kavod, its resident screening provider, and/or employees concerning my credit, criminal, tenant-landlord history, and/or past addresses.

I understand that should I lease an apartment, Kavod and its agent(s) shall have continuing right to review my credit information, criminal information, rental application, payment history and occupancy history for account review purposes and for improving application review methods.

I further release and discharge all liability from all companies, agencies, officials, officers, and other persons, who, in good faith, provide to Kavod the above-mentioned information as requested in order to successfully complete a background investigation for my application of residency. I will allow a photocopy of this authorization to be as valid as the original.

Print Full Name:			
Social Security #: _		Date of Birth:	
Driver's License:	State:	Number:	
		continued next page	





### Credit and Background Inquiry Release

Current Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Previous Address(es) During Past 5 years:	
Applicant's Signature:	
Date of Birth is being requested for the purpose of identification in obtaining accurate retrieval crecords and will not be used for discriminatory purposes.	)f

#### **Instructions for Citizenship Declaration**

Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980, as amended, prohibits the Secretary of HUD from making financial assistance available to persons other than U.S. citizens or nationals, or certain categories of eligible non-citizens, in the following HUD programs:

- a. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment programs;
- b. Section 236 of the National Housing Act including Rental Assistance Payment (RAP); *and*
- c. Section 101/Rent Supplement program.

You have applied, or are applying for, assistance under one of these programs; therefore, you are required to declare U.S. Citizenship or submit evidence of eligible immigration status for each of your family members for whom you are seeking housing assistance. You must do the following:

- 1. Complete a Family Summary Sheet, using the attached blank format to list all family members who will reside in the assisted unit.
- 2. Each family member (including you) listed on the Family Summary Sheet must complete a Citizenship Declaration. For example, if there are 2 people listed on the Family Summary Sheet, you should have 2 completed copies of the Citizenship Declaration. The Citizenship Declaration has easy-to-follow instructions and explains what, if any other forms and/or evidence must be submitted with each Declaration.
- 3. Submit the Family Summary Sheet, the Citizenship Declarations, and any other forms and/or evidence with your completed application to:

**Kavod Senior Living** 

Attn: Leasing Coordinator

22 S. Adams Street Denver, CO 80209

#### **Citizenship Declaration**

This Section 214 review will be completed in conjunction with the verification of other aspects of eligibility for assistance. If you have any questions or difficulty in completing the attached items or determining the type of documentation required, please contact our Leasing Coordinator at 720.382.7833. We are happy to assist you. Failure to provide this information or establish eligible status may result in your not being considered for housing assistance.

If this Section 214 review results in a determination of ineligibility, you will have an opportunity to appeal the decision. Also, if the final determination concludes that only certain members of your family are eligible for assistance, your family may be eligible for pro-ration of assistance. That means that when assistance is available, a reduced amount may be provided for your family based on the number of members who are eligible.

If assistance becomes available and the other aspects of your eligibility review show that you are eligible for housing assistance, that assistance may be provided to you if at least one member of your household has submitted the required documentation. Following verification of the documentation submitted by all family members, assistance may be adjusted depending on the immigration status verified. You will be contacted as soon as we have further information regarding your eligibility for assistance.

### **Family Summary Sheet**

Please list each person who will reside in the apartment.

Member #	Last Name of Family Member	First Name	Relationship to Head of Household	Date of Birth
Head				
2				
3				

Each family member (including you) listed on this Family Summary Sheet must complete a Citizenship Declaration form.

#### **Citizenship Declaration**

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this Declaration for each member of the household listed on the Family Summary Sheet. Last Name First Name Date of Birth Relationship to Head of Household Social Security Number Admission Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ if applicable (This is an 11-digit number found on DHS Form I-94, Departure Record) Nationality (Enter the foreign nation or country to which you owe legal allegiance. This is normally, but not always, the country of birth.) Save Verification Number (to be entered by owner if and when received) INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the Declaration below by printing or typing the person's first name, middle initial, and last name in the space provided. Then review the blocks shown below and complete either block number 1, 2, or 3: **DECLARATION** I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, that I (print or type first name, middle initial, last name) A citizen or national of the United States. 1. Sign and date below and return to the name and address specified in the attached Instructions for Citizenship Declaration. If this block is checked on behalf of a child, the adult who will reside in the assisted unit and who is responsible for the child should sign and date below.

Date

Check here if adult signed for a child:

Signature

**2.** A non-citizen with eligible immigration status as evidenced by one of the documents listed below:

*NOTE:* If you checked this block and you are 62 years of age or older, you need only submit a proof of age document together with this form and sign below.

If you checked this block and you are less than 62 years of age, you should submit the following documents:

a. Verification Consent Form

#### <u>AND</u>

- b. One of the following documents:
  - i. Form I-551, *Alien Registration Receipt Card* (for permanent resident aliens)
  - ii. Form I-94, *Arrival-Departure Record*, with one of the following annotations:
    - 1. "Admitted as Refugee Pursuant to Section 207";
    - 2. "Section 208" or "Asylum";
    - 3. "Section 243(h)" or "Deportation stayed by Attorney General"; or
    - 4. "Paroled Pursuant to Section 212(d)(5) of the INA."
  - iii. If Form I-94, *Arrival-Departure Record*, is not annotated, it must be accompanied by one of the following documents:
    - 1. A final court decision granting asylum (but only if no appeal is taken);
    - 2. A letter from an Department of Homeland Services (DHS) asylum officer granting asylum (if application was filed on or after October 1, 1990) or from an DHS district director granting asylum (if application was filed before October 1, 1990);
    - 3. A court decision granting withholding or deportation; or
    - 4. A letter from an DHS asylum officer granting withholding of deportation (if application was filed on or after October 1, 1990).
  - iv. Form I-688, *Temporary Resident Card*, which must be annotated "Section 245A" or "Section 210."
  - v. Form I-688B, Employment Authorization Card, which must be annotated "Provision of Law 274a.12(11)" or "Provision of Law 274a.12."
  - vi. A receipt issued by the DHS indicating that an application for issuance of a replacement document in one of the above-listed

#### **Citizenship Declaration**

categories has been made and that the applicant's entitlement to the document has been verified.

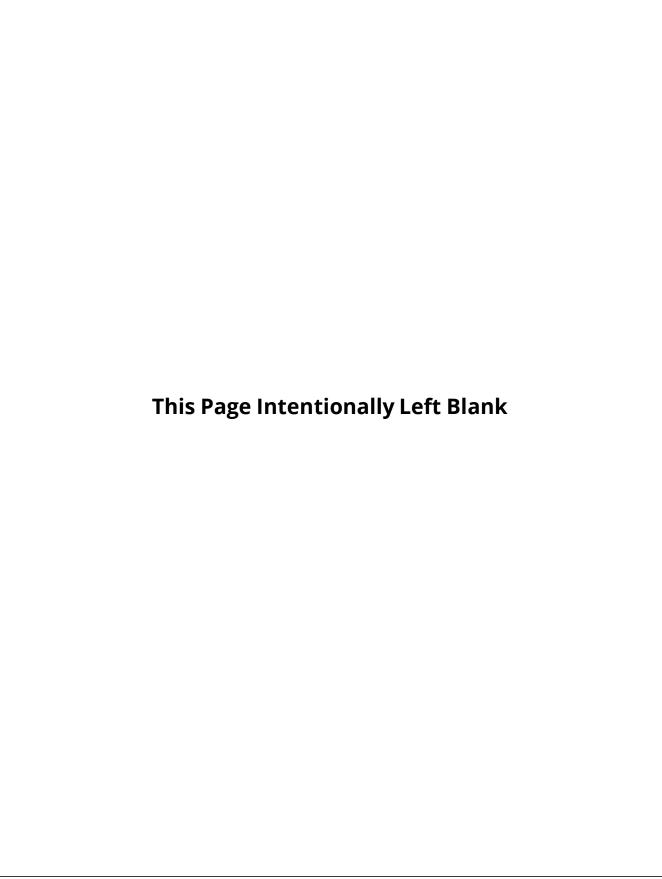
vii. Form I-151, Alien Registration Receipt Card.

If block 2 is checked, sign and date below and subdeclaration and a verification consent format Instructions for Citizenship Declaration. If this blowill reside in the assisted unit and who is response	t to the name and address specified in the ock is checked on behalf of a child, the adult who		
Signature	Date		
Check here if adult signed for a child:			
If for any reason, the documents shown in subpcomplete the Request for Extension block below.	paragraph 2b are not currently available, please		
REQUEST FOR	REXTENSION		
I hereby certify that I am a non-citizen with eligible immigration status, as noted in block 2 above, but the evidence needed to support my claim is temporarily unavailable. Therefore, I am requesting additional time to obtain the necessary evidence. I further certify that diligent and prompt efforts will be undertaken to obtain this evidence.			
Signature	Date		
Check here if adult signed for a chil	d:		
eligible for financial assistance.  If you checked this block, no further information is eligible for assistance. Sign and date below and for	orward this form to the name and address listed If this block is checked on behalf of a child, the		
Signature	Date		
Check here if adult signed for a child:			

#### **Verification Consent Form**

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this format for each non-citizen family member who declared eligible immigration status on the Citizenship Declaration form. If this form is being completed on behalf of a child, it must be signed by the adult responsible for the child.

	<u>CONSENT</u>
l, (print or type	, hereby consent to the following:
	The use of the attached evidence to verify my eligible immigration status to enable me to receive financial assistance for housing; and
(	The release of such evidence of eligible immigration status by the project owner without responsibility for the further use or transmission of the evidence by the entity receiving it to the following:
ć	a. HUD, as required by HUD; and
k	b. The Department of Homeland Services (DHS) for purposes of verification of the immigration status of the individual.
C:	Dete
Signature	Date
Check here if	adult signed for a child:
to the DHS fo other purpos	N TO FAMILY: Evidence of eligible immigration status shall be released only or purposes of establishing eligibility for financial assistance and not for any e. HUD is not responsible for the further use or transmission of the evidence mation by the DHS.





### Kavod Resident Meal Program Acknowledgement

Kavod Senior Living has a resident meal program which is part of the Lease Agreement. It consists of six meals per week (Sunday through Friday). The meals are made fresh daily in our on-site kitchen. Residents have a choice of kosher or kosher style meals. A dinner consists of an entrée, accompaniment, salad or soup, dessert and beverage. We offer an assortment of meal choices and can easily accommodate a variety of diets including low sodium, low sugar, soft mechanical and pureed requests.

As of March 1, 2024, the monthly cost per resident is \$270. Kavod offers Meal Program subsidies to residents whose income is below a set annual adjusted amount in order to support the overall health of our residents. USDA-SNAP benefits will soon be accepted, and exemptions may be considered.

If you have any questions or concerns, we will put you in touch with our Dining Services Director.

I have read and understand that my lease includes the meal program, which has a separate fee, and I agree to participate.

Signature of Applicant #1

Date

Signature of Applicant #2

Date





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### How did you hear about us?

Please check off the appropriate sources of information listed below. You may check more than one. This information assists us in helping us reach other potential applicants.

	Friend
_	Relative
_	Kavod Resident
_	Social Worker / Community Contact – Name if known:
	Internet Search, e.g. Google
	Other Online Source
	Another Organization – e.g. Rec Center:
	Kavod Website
	Newspaper, circle or write in: La Voz Urban Spectrum Asian Avenue  Intermountain Jewish News Denver Post La Prensa  Other media source:  Drive By / Sign Outside  Other, specify:
Current Zip	Code Completed Month/Year
Your Name	(optional) Telephone Number (optional)

Thank you for helping us gather this important information!

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

### Document Package for Applicant's/Tenant's Consent to the Release Of Information

This Package contains the following documents:

- 1.HUD-9887/A Fact Sheet describing the necessary verifications
- 2.Form HUD-9887 (to be signed by the Applicant or Tenant)
- 3.Form HUD-9887-A (to be signed by the Applicant or Tenant and Housing Owner)
- 4.Relevant Verifications (to be signed by the Applicant or Tenant)

#### **HUD-9887/A Fact Sheet**

### Verification of Information Provided by Applicants and Tenants of Assisted Housing

#### What Verification Involves

To receive housing assistance, applicants and tenants who are at least 18 years of age and each family head, spouse, or co-head regardless of age must provide the owner or management agent (O/A) or public housing agency (PHA) with certain information specified by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

To make sure that the assistance is used properly, Federal laws require that the information you provide be verified. This information is verified in two ways:

- 1. HUD, O/As, and PHAs may verify the information you provide by checking with the records kept by certain public agencies (e.g., Social Security Administration (SSA), State agency that keeps wage and unemployment compensation claim information, and the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) National Directory of New Hires (NDNH) database that stores wage, new hires, and unemployment compensation). HUD (only) may verify information covered in your tax returns from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS). You give your consent to the release of this information by signing form HUD-9887. Only HUD, O/As, and PHAs can receive information authorized by this form.
- 2. The O/A must verify the information that is used to determine your eligibility and the amount of rent you pay. You give your consent to the release of this information by signing the form HUD-9887, the form HUD-9887-A, and the individual verification and consent forms that apply to you. Federal laws limit the kinds of information the O/A can receive about you. The amount of income you receive helps to determine the amount of rent you will pay. The O/A will verify all of the sources of income that you report. There are certain allowances that reduce the income used in determining tenant rents.

**Example:** Mrs. Anderson is 62 years old. Her age qualifies her for a medical allowance. Her annual income will be adjusted because of this allowance. Because Mrs. Anderson's medical expenses will help determine the amount of rent she pays, the O/A is required to verify any medical expenses that she reports.

**Example:** Mr. Harris does not qualify for the medical allowance because he is not at least 62 years of age and he is not handicapped or disabled. Because he is not eligible for the medical allowance, the amount of his medical expenses does not change the amount of rent he pays. Therefore, the O/A cannot ask Mr. Harris anything about his medical expenses and cannot verify with a third party about any medical expenses he has.

#### **Customer Protections**

Information received by HUD is protected by the Federal Privacy Act. Information received by the O/A or the PHA is subject to State privacy laws. Employees of HUD, the O/A, and the PHA are subject to penalties for using these consent forms improperly. You do not have to sign the form HUD-9887, the form HUD-9887-A, or the individual verification consent forms when they are given to you at your certification or recertification interview. You may take them home with you to read or to discuss with a third party of your choice. The O/A will give you another date when you can return to sign these forms.

If you cannot read and/or sign a consent form due to a disability, the O/A shall make a reasonable accommodation in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Such accommodations may include: home visits when the applicant's or tenant's disability prevents him/her from coming to the office to complete the forms; the applicant or tenant authorizing another person to sign on his/her behalf; and for persons with visual impairments, accommodations may include providing the forms in large script or braille or providing readers.

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If an adult member of your household, due to extenuating circumstances, is unable to sign the form HUD-9887 or the individual verification forms on time, the O/A may document the file as to the reason for the delay and the specific plans to obtain the proper signature as soon as possible.

The O/A must tell you, or a third party which you choose, of the findings made as a result of the O/A verifications authorized by your consent. The O/A must give you the opportunity to contest such findings in accordance with HUD Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1. However, for information received under the form HUD-9887 or form HUD-9887-A, HUD, the O/A, or the PHA, may inform you of these findings.

O/As must keep tenant files in a location that ensures confidentiality. Any employee of the O/A who fails to keep tenant information confidential is subject to the enforcement provisions of the State Privacy Act and is subject to enforcement actions by HUD. Also, any applicant or tenant affected by negligent disclosure or improper use of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the employee.

HUD-9887/A requires the O/A to give each household a copy of the Fact Sheet, and forms HUD-9887, HUD-9887-A along with appropriate individual consent forms. The package you will receive will include the following documents:

- 1.HUD-9887/A Fact Sheet: Describes the requirement to verify information provided by individuals who apply for housing assistance. This fact sheet also describes consumer protections under the verification process.
- 2.Form HUD-9 887: Allows the release of information between government agencies.
- 3.Form HUD-9 887-A: Describes the requirement of third party verification along with consumer protections.
- 4.Individual v erification consents: Used to verify the relevant information provided by applicants/tenants to determine their eligibility and level of benefits.

#### **Consequences for Not Signing the Consent Forms**

If you fail to sign the form HUD-9887, the form HUD-9887-A, or the individual verification forms, this may result in your assistance being denied (for applicants) or your assistance being terminated (for tenants). See further explanation on the forms HUD-9887 and 9887-A.

If you are an applicant and are denied assistance for this reason, the O/A must notify you of the reason for your rejection and give you an opportunity to appeal the decision.

If you are a tenant and your assistance is terminated for this reason, the O/A must follow the procedures set out in the Lease. This includes the opportunity for you to meet with the O/A.

#### **Programs Covered by this Fact Sheet**

Rental Assistance Program (RAP)

Rent Supplement

Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Programs (administered by the Office of Housing)

Section 202

Sections 202 and 811 PRAC

Section 202/162 PAC

Section 221(d)(3) Below Market Interest Rate

Section 236

HOPE 2 Home Ownership of Multifamily Units

#### Notice and Consent for the Release of Information

to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and to an Owner and Management Agent (O/A), and to a Public Housing Agency (PHA)

HUD Office requesting release of information (Owner should provide the full address of the HUD Field Office, Attention: Director, Multifamily Division.):

US Department of HUD Multifamily HUB 1670 Broadway, 24th floor Denver, CO 80202 O/A requesting release of information (Owner should provide the full name and address of the Owner.):

Allied Housing Inc. 22 S. Adams Street Denver, CO 80209

## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Housing Federal Housing Commissioner

PHA requesting release of information (Owner should provide the full name and address of the PHA and the title of the director or administrator. If there is no PHA Owner or PHA contract administrator for this project, mark an X through this entire box.):

Colorado Housing and Finance Authority

1981 Blake Street, Denver, CO 80202

Notice To Tenant: Do not sign this form if the space above for organizations requesting release of information is left blank. You do not have to sign this form when it is given to you. You may take the form home with you to read or discuss with a third party of your choice and return to sign the consent on a date you have worked out with the housing owner/manager.

**Authority**: Section 217 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 (Pub L. 108-199). This law is found at 42 U.S.C.653(J). This law authorizes HHS to disclose to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) information in the NDNH portion of the "Location and Collection System of Records" for the purposes of verifying employment and income of individuals participating in specified programs and, after removal of personal identifiers, to conduct analyses of the employment and income reporting of these individuals. Information may be disclosed by the Secretary of HUD to a private owner, a management agent, and a contract administrator in the administration of rental housing assistance.

Section 904 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988, as amended by section 903 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 and section 3003 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993. This law is found at 42 U.S.C. 3544. This law requires you to sign a consent form authorizing: (1) HUD and the PHA to request wage and unemployment compensation claim information from the state agency responsible for keeping that information; and (2) HUD, O/A, and the PHA responsible for determining eligibility to verity salary and wage information pertinent to the applicant's or participant's eligibility or level of benefits; (3) HUD to request certain tax return information from the U.S. Social Security Administration (SSA) and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

**Purpose:** In signing this consent form, you are authorizing HUD, the abovenamed O/A, and the PHA to request income information from the government agencies listed on the form. HUD, the O/A, and the PHA need this information to verify your household's income to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level. HUD, the O/A, and the PHA may participate in computer matching programs with these sources to verify your eligibility and level of benefits. This form also authorizes HUD, the O/A, and the PHA to seek wage, new hire (W-4), and unemployment claim information from current or former employers to verify information obtained through computer matching.

**Uses of In formation to be Ob tained:** HUD is required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. The O/A and the PHA is also required to protect the income

information it obtains in accordance with any applicable State privacy law. After receiving the information covered by this notice of consent, HUD, the O/A, and the PHA may inform you that your eligibility for, or level of, assistance is uncertain and needs to be verified and nothing else.

HUD, O/A, and PHA employees may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of the income information that is obtained based on the consent form.

Who Must Sign the Consent Form: Each member of your household who is at least 18 years of age and each family head, spouse or co-head, regardless of age, must sign the consent form at the initial certification and at each recertification. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members when they join the household or when members of the household become 18 years of age.

Persons who apply for or receive assistance under the following programs are required to sign this consent form:

Rental Assistance Program (RAP)

Rent Supplement

Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Programs (administered by the Office of Housing)

Section 202; Sections 202 and 811 PRAC; Section 202/162 PAC Section

221(d)(3) Below Market Interest Rate

Section 236

HOPE 2 Homeownership of Multifamily Units

**Failure to Sign Consent Form:** Your failure to sign the consent form may result in the denial of assistance or termination of assisted housing benefits. If an applicant is denied assistance for this reason, the owner must follow the notification procedures in Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1. If a tenant is denied assistance for this reason, the owner or managing agent must follow the procedures set out in the lease.

Signatures:		Additional Signatures, if needed:	
Head of Household	Date	Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date
Spouse	Date	Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date
Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date	Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date
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#### Agencies To Provide Information

State Wage Information Collection Agencies. (HUD and PHA). This consent is limited to wages and unemployment compensation you have received during period(s) within the last 5 years when you have received assisted housing benefits.

U.S. Social Security Administration (HUD only). This consent is limited to the wage and self employment information from your current form W-2.

National Directory of New Hires contained in the Department of Health and Human Services' system of records. This consent is limited to wages and unemployment compensation you have received during period(s) within the last 5 years when you have received assisted housing benefits.

U.S. Internal Revenue Service (HUD only). This consent is limited to information covered in your current tax return.

This consent is limited to the following information that may appear on your current tax return:

1099-S Statement for Recipients of Proceeds from Real Estate Transactions

1099-B Statement for Recipients of Proceeds from Real Estate Brokers and Barters Exchange Transactions

1099-A Information Return for Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured Property

1099-G Statement for Recipients of Certain Government Payments

1099-DIV Statement for Recipients of Dividends and Distributions

1099 INT Statement for Recipients of Interest Income 1099-MISC Statement for Recipients of Miscellaneous Income

1099-OID Statement for Recipients of Original Issue Discount

1099-PATR Statement for Recipients of Taxable Distributions Received from Cooperatives

1099-R Statement for Recipients of Retirement Plans W2-G Statement of Gambling Winnings 1041-K1 Beneficiary's Share of Income, Credits, Deductions, etc.

1120S-K1 Shareholder's Share of Undistributed Taxable Income,

Credits, Deductions, etc.

I understand that income information obtained from these sources will be used to verify information that I provide in determining initial or continued eligibility for assisted housing programs and the level of benefits.

No action can be taken to terminate, deny, suspend, or reduce the assistance your household receives based on information obtained about you under this consent until the HUD Office, Office of Inspector General (OIG) or the PHA (whichever is applicable) and the O/A have independently verified: 1) the amount of the income, wages, or unemployment compensation involved, 2) whether you actually have (or had) access to such income, wages, or benefits for your own use, and 3) the period or periods when, or with respect to which you actually received such income, wages, or benefits. A photocopy of the signed consent may be used to request a third party to verify any information received under this consent (e.g., employer).

HUD, the O/A, or the PHA shall inform you, or a third party which you designate, of the findings made on the basis of information verified under this consent and shall give you an opportunity to contest such findings in accordance with Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1.

If a member of the household who is required to sign the consent form is unable to sign the form on time due to extenuating circumstances, the O/A may document the file as to the reason for the delay and the specific plans to obtain the proper signature as soon as possible.

This consent form expires 15 months after signed.

**Privacy Act Statement.** The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to collect this information by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437 et. seq.); the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983 (P.L. 98-181); the Housing and Community Development Technical Amendments of 1984 (P.L. 98-479); and by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 3543). The information is being collected by HUD to determine an applicant's eligibility, the recommended unit size, and the amount the tenant(s) must pay toward rent and utilities. HUD uses this information to assist in managing certain HUD properties, to protect the Government's financial interest, and to verify the accuracy of the information furnished. HUD, the owner or management agent (O/A), or a public housing agency (PHA) may conduct a computer match to verify the information you provide. This information may be released to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, when relevant, and to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigators and prosecutors. However, the information will not be otherwise disclosed or released outside of HUD, except as permitted or required by law. You must provide all of the information requested. Failure to provide any information may result in a delay or rejection of your eligibility approval.

#### **Penalties for Misusing this Consent:**

HUD, the O/A, and any PHA (or any employee of HUD, the O/A, or the PHA) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form.

Use of the information collected based on the form HUD 9887 is restricted to the purposes cited on the form HUD 9887. Any person who knowingly or willfully requests, obtains, or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or tenant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

Any applicant or tenant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD, the Owner or the PHA responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use.

# **Applicant's/Tenant's Consent to the Release of Information**

Verification by Owners of Information Supplied by Individuals Who Apply for Housing Assistance U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Housing Federal Housing Commissioner

#### Instructions to Owners

- 1. Give the documents listed below to the applicants/tenants to sign. Staple or clip them together in one package in the order listed.
  - a. The HUD-9887/A Fact Sheet.
  - b. Form HUD-9887.
  - c. Form HUD-9887-A.
  - d . Relevant verifications (HUD Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1).
- 2. Verbally inform applicants and tenants that
  - a. They may take these forms home with them to read or to discuss with a third party of their choice and to return to sign them on a date they have worked out with you, and
  - b. If they have a disability that prevents them from reading and/ or signing any consent, that you, the Owner, are required to provide reasonable accommodations.
- 3. Owners are required to give each household a copy of the HUD9887/A Fact Sheet, form HUD-9887, and form HUD-9887-A after obtaining the required applicants/tenants signature(s). Also, owners must give the applicants/tenants a copy of the signed individual verification forms upon their request.

#### **Instructions to Applicants and Tenants**

This Form HUD-9887-A contains customer information and protections concerning the HUD-required verifications that Owners must perform.

- 1. Read this material which explains:
  - HUD's requirements concerning the release of information,
  - Other customer protections.
- 2. Sign on the last page that:
  - you have read this form, or
  - the Owner or a third party of your choice has explained it to you,
  - you consent to the release of information for the purposes and uses described.

### Authority for Requiring Applicant's/Tenant's Consent to the Release of Information

Section 904 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988, as amended by section 903 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. This law is found at 42 U.S.C. 3544.

In part, this law requires you to sign a consent form authorizing the Owner to request current or previous employers to verify salary and wage information pertinent to your eligibility or level of benefits. In addition, HUD regulations (24 CFR 5.659, Family Information and

Verification) require as a condition of receiving housing assistance that you must sign a HUD-approved release and consent authorizing any depository or private source of income to furnish such information that is necessary in determining your eligibility or level of benefits. This includes

information that you have provided which will affect the amount of rent you pay. The information includes income and assets, such as salary, welfare benefits, and interest earned on savings accounts. They also include certain adjustments to your income, such as the allowances for dependents and for households whose heads or spouses are elderly handicapped, or disabled; and allowances for child care expenses, medical expenses, and handicap assistance expenses.

#### Purpose of Requiring Consent to the Release of Information

In signing this consent form, you are authorizing the Owner of the housing project to which you are applying for assistance to request information from a third party about you. HUD requires the housing owner to verify all of the information you provide that affects your eligibility and level of benefits to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct levels. Upon the request of the HUD office or the PHA (as Contract Administrator), the housing Owner may provide HUD or the PHA with the information you have submitted and the information the Owner receives under this consent.

#### **Uses of Information to be Obtained**

The individual listed on the verification form may request and receive the information requested by the verification, subject to the limitations of this form. HUD is required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. The Owner and the PHA are also required to protect the income information they obtain in accordance with any applicable state privacy law. Should the Owner receive information from a third party that is inconsistent with the information you have provided, the Owner is required to notify you in writing identifying the information believed to be incorrect. If this should occur, you will have the opportunity to meet with the Owner to discuss any discrepancies.

#### Who Must Sign the Consent Form

Each member of your household who is at least 18 years of age, and each family head, spouse or co-head, regardless of age must sign the relevant consent forms at the initial certification, at each recertification and at each interim certification, if applicable. In addition, when new adult members join the household and when members of the household become 18 years of age they must also sign the relevant consent forms.

Persons who apply for or receive assistance under the following programs must sign the relevant consent forms:

Rental Assistance Program (RAP)

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Sections 202 and 811 PRAC

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#### Failure to Sign the Consent Form

Failure to sign any required consent form may result in the denial of assistance or termination of assisted housing benefits. If an applicant is denied assistance for this reason, the O/A must follow the notification procedures in Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1. If a tenant is denied assistance for this reason, the O/A must follow the procedures set out in the lease.

#### **Conditions**

No action can be taken to terminate, deny, suspend or reduce the assistance your household receives based on information obtained about you under this consent until the O/A has independently 1) verified the information you have provided with respect to your eligibility and level of benefits and 2) with respect to income (including both earned and unearned income), the O/A has verified whether you actually have (or had) access to such income for your own use, and verified the period or periods when, or with respect to which you actually received such income, wages, or benefits.

A photocopy of the signed consent may be used to request the information authorized by your signature on the individual consent forms. This would occur if the O/A does not have another individual verification consent with an original signature and the O/A is required to send out another request for verification (for example, the third party fails to respond). If this happens, the O/A may attach a photocopy of this consent to a photocopy of the individual verification form that you sign. To avoid the use of photocopies, the O/A and the individual may agree to sign more than one consent for each type of verification that is needed. The O/A shall inform you, or a third party which you designate, of the findings made on the basis of information verified under this consent and shall give you an opportunity to contest such findings in accordance with Handbook 4350.3 Rev. 1.

The O/A must provide you with information obtained under this consent in accordance with State privacy laws.

If a member of the household who is required to sign the consent

forms is unable to sign the required forms on time, due to extenuating circum-

stances, the O/A may document the file as to the reason for the delay and the specific plans to obtain the proper signature as soon as possible.

Individual consents to the release of information expire 15 months after they are signed. The O/A may use these individual consent forms during the 120 days preceding the certification period. The O/A may also use these forms during the certification period, but only in cases where the O/A receives information indicating that the information you have provided may be incorrect. Other uses are prohibited.

The O/A may not make inquiries into information that is older than 12 months unless he/she has received inconsistent information and has reason to believe that the information that you have supplied is incorrect. If this occurs, the O/A may obtain information within the last 5 years when you have received assistance.

I have read and understand this information on the purposes and uses of information that is verified and consent to the release of information for these purposes and uses.

Name of Applicant or Tenant (Print)

Signature of Applicant or Tenant & Date

I have read and understand the purpose of this consent and its uses and I understand that misuse of this consent can lead to personal penalties to me.

Name of Project Owner or his/her representative

Title

Signature & Date cc:Applicant/Tenant Owner file

#### **Penalties for Misusing this Consent:**

HUD, the O/A, and any PHA (or any employee of HUD, the O/A, or the PHA) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form.

Use of the information collected based on the form HUD 9887-A is restricted to the purposes cited on the form HUD 9887-A. Any person who knowingly or willfully requests, obtains or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or tenant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

Any applicant or tenant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD, the O/A or the PHA responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use.

Optional and Supplemental Contact Information for HUD-Assisted Housing Applicants

#### SUPPLEMENT TO APPLICATION FOR FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING

This form is to be provided to each applicant for federally assisted housing

**Instructions:** Optional Contact Person or Organization: You have the right by law to include as part of your application for housing, the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or social, health, advocacy, or other organization. This contact information is for the purpose of identifying a person or organization that may be able to help in resolving any issues that may arise during your tenancy or to assist in providing any special care or services you may require. You may update, remove, or change the information you provide on this form at any time. You are not required to provide this contact information, but if you choose to do so, please include the relevant information on this form. Check this box if you choose not to provide the contact information. **Applicant Name: Mailing Address: Telephone No:** Cell Phone No: Name of Additional Contact Person or Organization: Address: **Telephone No: Cell Phone No:** E-Mail Address (if applicable): **Relationship to Applicant: Reason for Contact:** (Check all that apply) Emergency Assist with Recertification Process Unable to contact you Change in lease terms Termination of rental assistance Change in house rules Eviction from unit Other: Late payment of rent Commitment of Housing Authority or Owner: If you are approved for housing, this information will be kept as part of your tenant file. If issues arise during your tenancy or if you require any services or special care, we may contact the person or organization you listed to assist in resolving the issues or in providing any services or special care to you. Confidentiality Statement: The information provided on this form is confidential and will not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted by the applicant or applicable law. Legal Notification: Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) requires each applicant for federally assisted housing to be offered the option of providing information regarding an additional contact person or organization. By accepting the applicant's application, the housing provider agrees to comply with the non-discrimination and equal opportunity requirements of 24 CFR section 5.105, including the prohibitions on discrimination in admission to or participation in federally assisted housing programs on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, and familial status under the Fair Housing Act, and the prohibition on

Signature of Applicant

Date

The information collection requirements contained in this form were submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The

age discrimination under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.

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Privacy Statement: Public Law 102-550, authorizes the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to collect all the information (except the Social Security Number (SSN)) which will be used by HUD to protect disbursement data from fraudulent actions.

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Instructions: Optional Contact Person or Organization: You have the right by law to include as part of your application for housing, the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or social, health, advocacy, or other organization. This contact information is for the purpose of identifying a person or organization that may be able to help in resolving any issues that may arise during your tenancy or to assist in providing any special care or services you may require. You may update, remove, or change the information you provide on this form at any time. You are not required to provide this contact information, but if you choose to do so, please include the relevant information on this form.

Check this box if you choose not to provide the contact	information.	
Applicant Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Telephone No:	Cell Phone No:	
Name of Additional Contact Person or Organization:		
Address:		
Telephone No:	Cell Phone No:	
E-Mail Address (if applicable):		
Relationship to Applicant:		
Reason for Contact: (Check all that apply)		
Emergency	Assist with Recertification Pr	rocess
Unable to contact you	Change in lease terms	
Termination of rental assistance	Change in house rules	
Eviction from unit	Other:	
Late payment of rent		
Commitment of Housing Authority or Owner: If you are approved for housing, this information will be kept as part of your tenant file. If issues arise during your tenancy or if you require any services or special care, we may contact the person or organization you listed to assist in resolving the issues or in providing any services or special care to you.		
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Signature of Applicant		Date

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## Race and Ethnic Data Reporting Form

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Housing

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Allied Housing East/West/South

101-EH001/101-44801/101-3630NP

22 , 11 , or 44 S. Adams St., Denver, CO 80209

Name of Property	Project No.	Address of Property	
Kavod Senior Life		202/Section 8; 236; and	221d3/Section
Name of Owner/Managing	Agent	Type of Assistance or Program Title	
Name of Head of Househol	ld	Name of Household Member	
Date (mm/dd/yyyy):			
	Ethnic Categories*	Select One	
Hispanic or La	ntino		
Not-Hispanic	or Latino		
	Racial Categories*	Select All that Apply	
American Indi	an or Alaska Native		
Asian			
Black or Afric	an American		
Native Hawaii	an or Other Pacific Islander		
White			
Other			
Definitions of these catego	ories may be found on the reverse	side.	
nere is no penalty for <b>p</b>	persons who do not complete th	e form.	
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**Public reporting burden** for this collection is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This information is required to obtain benefits and voluntary. HUD may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This information is authorized by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 as amended, the Housing and Urban Rural Recovery Act of 1983 and Housing and Community Development Technical Amendments of 1984. This information is needed to be incompliance with OMB-mandated changes to Ethnicity and Race categories for recording the 50059 Data Requirements to HUD. Owners/agents must offer the opportunity to the head and cohead of each household to "self certify' during the application interview or lease signing. In-place tenants must complete the format as part of their next interim or annual re-certification. This process will allow the owner/agent to collect the needed information on all members of the household. Completed documents should be stapled together for each household and placed in the household's file. Parents or guardians are to complete the self-certification for children under the age of 18. Once system development funds are provide and the appropriate system upgrades have been implemented, owners/agents will be required to report the race and ethnicity data electronically to the TRACS (Tenant Rental Assistance Certification System). This information is considered non-sensitive and does no require any special protection.

#### Instructions for the Race and Ethnic Data Reporting (Form HUD-27061-H)

#### A. General Instructions:

This form is to be completed by individuals wishing to be served (applicants) and those that are currently served (tenants) in housing assisted by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Owner and agents are required to offer the applicant/tenant the option to complete the form. The form is to be completed at initial application or at lease signing. In-place tenants must also be offered the opportunity to complete the form as part of the next interim or annual recertification. Once the form is completed it need not be completed again unless the head of household or household composition changes. There is no penalty for persons who do not complete the form. However, the owner or agent may place a note in the tenant file stating the applicant/tenant refused to complete the form. Parents or guardians are to complete the form for children under the age of 18.

The Office of Housing has been given permission to use this form for gathering race and ethnic data in assisted housing programs. Completed documents for the entire household should be stapled together and placed in the household's file.

- 1. The two ethnic categories you should choose from are defined below. You should check one of the two categories.
  - 1. **Hispanic or Latino.** A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term "Spanish origin" can be used in addition to "Hispanic" or "Latino."
  - **2. Not Hispanic or Latino.** A person not of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- **2.** The five racial categories to choose from are defined below: You should check as many as apply to you.
  - 1. American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
  - **2. Asian.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam
  - **3. Black or African American.** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Terms such as "Haitian" or "Negro" can be used in addition to "Black" or "African American."
  - **4. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
  - **5.** White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa.



# APPLYING FOR HUD HOUSING ASSISTANCE?

# THINK ABOUT THIS... IS FRAUD WORTH IT?

#### Do You Realize...

If you commit fraud to obtain assisted housing from HUD, you could be:

- Evicted from your apartment or house.
- Required to repay all overpaid rental assistance you received.
- Fined up to \$10,000.
- Imprisoned for up to five years.
- Prohibited from receiving future assistance.
- Subject to State and local government penalties.

#### Do You Know...

You are committing fraud if you sign a form knowing that you provided false or misleading information.

The information you provide on housing assistance application and recertification forms will be checked. The local housing agency, HUD, or the Office of Inspector General will check the income and asset information you provide with other Federal, State, or local governments and with private agencies. Certifying false information is fraud.

#### So Be Careful!

When you fill out your application and yearly recertification for assisted housing from HUD make sure your answers to the questions are accurate and honest. You <u>must</u> include:

All sources of income and changes in income you or any members of your household receive, such as wages, welfare payments, social security and veterans' benefits, pensions, retirement, etc.

Any money you receive on behalf of your children, such as child support, AFDC payments, social security for children, etc.

Any increase in income, such as wages from a new job or an expected pay raise or bonus.

All assets, such as bank accounts, savings bonds, certificates of deposit, stocks, real estate, etc., that are owned by you or any member of your household.

All income from assets, such as interest from savings and checking accounts, stock dividends, etc.

Any business or asset (your home) that you sold in the last two years at less than full value.

The names of everyone, adults or children, relatives and non-relatives, who are living with you and make up your household.

(Important Notice for Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita Evacuees: HUD's reporting requirements may be temporarily waived or suspended because of your circumstances. Contact the local housing agency before you complete the housing assistance application.)

#### **Ask Questions**

If you don't understand something on the application or recertification forms, always ask questions. It's better to be safe than sorry.

#### Watch Out for Housing Assistance Scams!

- Don't pay money to have someone fill out housing assistance application and recertification forms for you.
- Don't pay money to move up on a waiting list.
- Don't pay for anything that is not covered by your lease.
- Get a receipt for any money you pay.
- Get a written explanation if you are required to pay for anything other than rent (maintenance or utility charges).

#### Report Fraud

If you know of anyone who provided false information on a HUD housing assistance application or recertification or if anyone tells you to provide false information, report that person to the HUD Office of Inspector General Hotline. You can call the Hotline toll-free Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time, at 1-800-347-3735. You can fax information to (202) 708-4829 or e-mail it to <a href="https://hotline@hudoig.gov">Hotline@hudoig.gov</a>. You can write the Hotline at:



HUD OIG Hotline, GFI 451 7<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20410

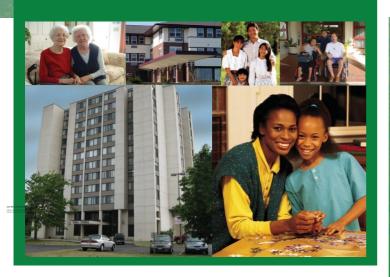
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ENTERPRISE INCOME VERIFICATION



What YOU Should Know

if You are Ap lying or or are Receiving

#### What is EIV?

EIV is a web-based computer system containing employment and income information on individuals participating in HUD's rental assistance programs. This information assists HUD in making sure "the right benefits go to the right persons".



# What income information is in EIV and where does it come from?

#### The Social Security Administration:

- Social Security (SS) benefits
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits
- · Dual Entitlement SS benefits

## The Department of Health and Human Services (HSS) National Directory of New Hires (NDNH):

- Wages
- Unemployment compensation
- New Hire (W-4)

# What is the information in EIV used for?

The EIV system provides the owner and/or manager of the property where you live with your income information and employment history. This information is used to meet HUD's requirement

or income when you recertify for continued rental

assistance. Getting the information from the EIV system is more accurate and less time consuming and costly to the owner or manager than contacting

your income source directly for verification.

Property owners and managers are able to use the

EIV system to determine if you:

correctly reported your income

They will also be able to determine if you:

- Used a false social security number
- Failed to report or under reported the income of a spouse or other household member
- Receive rental assistance at another property

# Is my consent required to get information about me from EIV?

Yes. When you sign form HUD-9887, Notice and Consent for the Release of Information, and form HUD-9887-A, Applicant's/Tenant's Consent to the Release of Information, you are giving your consent for HUD and the property owner or manager to obtain information about you to verify your employment and/or income and determine your eligibility for HUD rental assistance. Your failure to sign the consent forms may result in the denial of assistance or termination of assisted housing benefits.

# Who has access to the EIV information?

Only you and those parties listed on the consent form HUD-9887 that you must sign have access to the information in EIV pertaining to you.

#### What are my responsibilities?

As a tenant in a HUD assisted property, you must certify that information provided on an application

the form used to certify and

recertify your assistance (form HUD-50059) is accurate and honest. This is also described

in the *Tenants Rights & Responsibilities* brochure that your property owner or

manager is required to give to

you every year.

#### Penalties for providing false information

Providing false information is fraud. Penalties for those who commit fraud could include eviction, repayment of overpaid assistance received, fines up to \$10,000, imprisonment for up to 5 years, prohibition from receiving any future rental assistance and/or state and local government penalties.

### Protect yourself, follow HUD reporting requirements

When completing applications and recertifications, you must include all sources of income you or any member of your household receives. Some sources include:

- · Income from wages
- Welfare payments
- Unemployment benefits
- Social Security (SS) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits
- Veteran benefits
- Pensions, retirement, etc.
- Income from assets
- Monies received on behalf of a child such as:
  - Child support
  - AFDC payments
  - Social security for children, etc.

If you have any questions on whether money received should be counted as income, ask your property owner or manager.

When changes occur in your household income or family composition, immediately contact your property owner or manager to determine if this will affect your rental assistance.

Your property owner or manager is required to provide you with a copy of the fact sheet "How Your Rent Is Determined" which includes a listing of what is included or excluded from income.

# What if I disagree with the EIV information?

If you do not agree with the employment and/or income information in EIV, you must tell your property owner or manager. Your property owner or manager will contact the income source directly to obtain verification of the employment and/or income you disagree with. Once the property owner or manager receives the information from the income source, you will be notified in writing of the results.

# What if I did not report income previously and it is now being reported in EIV?

If the EIV report discloses income from a prior period that you did not report, you have two options: 1) you can agree with the EIV report if it is correct, or 2) you can dispute the report if you believe it is incorrect. The property owner or manager will then conduct a written third party verification with the reporting source of income. If the source confirms this income is accurate, you will be required to repay any overpaid rental assistance as far back as five (5) years and you may be subject to penalties if it is determined that you deliberately tried to conceal your income.

# What if the information in EIV is not about me?

EIV has the capability to uncover cases of potential identity theft; someone could be using your social security number. If this is discovered, you must notify the Social Security Administration by calling them toll-free at 1-800-772-1213. Further information on identity theft is available on the Social Security Administration website at: http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/10064.html.

# Who do I contact if my income or rental assistance is not being calculated correctly?

First, contact your property owner or manager for an explanation.

If you need further assistance, you may contact the contract administrator for the property you live in;

and if it is not resolved to your satisfaction, you may contact HUD. For help locating the HUD office nearest you, which can also provide you contact information for the contract administrator, please call the Multifamily Housing Clearinghouse at: 1-800-685-8470.



# Where can I obtain more information on EIV and the income verification process?

Your property owner or manager can provide you with additional information on EIV and the income verification process. They can also refer you to the appropriate contract administrator or your local HUD office for additional information.

If you have access to a computer, you can read more about EIV and the income verification process on HUD's Multifamily EIV homepage at: www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/mfh/rhiip/eiv/eivhome. cfm.



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