



San Diego Housing Commission Project-Based Voucher Rental Assistance

Program Goals:

Expand and stabilize the housing opportunities of homeless persons/families and increase their economic opportunities by providing supportive services and teaching independent living skills.

Program Description:

Project-Based Voucher (PBV) Rental Assistance is part of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) housing subsidy program. The PBV rental assistance is attached to a unit; participants do not locate their own unit but must move into a unit assigned to the Project-based Voucher Program. The assistance is attached to the unit for an aggregate term up to 15 years.

The San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) will fund the Project-Based Voucher Program through its Rental Assistance Program using HCV funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A maximum of 192 PBV units will be provided during FY2009. The total cumulative number of PBV units will not exceed 20% of SDHC total allocated budget authority for the SDHC Housing Choice Voucher program and may utilize existing housing, new construction, or rehabilitation projects comprised of multifamily or single-family units. Prior to 2008 the SDHC had 47 units under lease through the PBV program, in 2008 the number of leased units tripled to 120 units, bring the total number of units in the PBV program to 167.

The PBV program provides housing assistance to qualified, very-low income individuals and families. The SDHC program will target homeless persons or families who must participate in an owner's supportive services program in addition to receiving housing subsidies. The targeted populations may include, but are not limited to:

- Victims of Domestic Violence
- Persons with Disabilities – Mentally Ill, Developmentally Disabled, Physically Disabled
- Persons with HIV/AIDS
- Youth
- Persons with Alcohol/Drug Addictions
- Veterans
- Elderly

Owners participating with PBV program have been selected from a competitive Request for Proposal process.