



Public Housing Waiting List | FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- How long will the public housing waiting list be open?
 - The waiting list for public housing will be open for the 3 days below:
Wednesday, September 30th, 2020 through Friday October 02, 2020.
- How do I apply for housing?
 - You may apply online at www.columbiahousingsc.org/apply-for-housing,
 - You may call Richland Library call center at 803.386.8506, or
 - You may call Columbia Housing call center at 803.376.6141.
- What are the hours for the Call Centers?
 - Both call centers will be open to accept applications from 9:00am to 5:00pm on the above listed dates.
- Can I use my smart phone to apply?
 - You may apply using your smart phone, laptop, desktop or call in to one of the call centers to submit your application.
- What if I do not have access to Wi-Fi?
 - The Richland Library Wi-Fi bus will be parked at Columbia Housing's main office at 1917 Harden Street on the following days and times:
 - ✓ September 30, 2020 | Wednesday | 9 AM – 3 PM
 - ✓ October 1, 2020 | Thursday | 9 AM – 12 PM
 - ✓ October 2, 2020 | Friday | 12 PM – 3 PM
 - Richland Library locations (*except Sandhills*) offer free Wi-Fi access from the convenience of the parking lot.
- Can I apply for Section 8 and Public Housing when the wait list opens?
 - Applications will only be accepted for the Public Housing program.
- Can I submit a paper application?
 - Applications will only be accepted online.
- Do I need an email address to apply?
 - An email address is required to complete the application
- What information will I need to apply?
 - You will need to enter social security numbers, dates of birth, and household income information for all occupants when completing the application.
- The notice on your website states that the waiting list is only open for 3,4 & 5 bedrooms. I only need a 1 bedroom. Should I still apply?
 - The waiting list is only open for the bedroom sizes noted. The waiting list for all other bedroom sizes is currently closed and will not be accepted.
- I am in desperate need of housing. How soon will I be able to move in?
 - Columbia Housing does not offer emergency housing. If selected, you will receive notice within 30 days after the waiting list close date.