

# Housing Authority of Merrill Wisconsin

# HOUSING APPLICATION

# Section 8 Multi-family PBRA (Individual's age 18 and older)

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# Section 8 New Construction (Elderly/Disabled 62 & Older)

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# SECTION 8 NEW CONSTRUCTION (Individual's age 18 & Older)

**RANCH HOMES** 

California, Main & St Paul

**DUPLEXES** 

**Woodbine Drive** 



# **HOUSING RENTAL APPLICATION**



# DO NOT USE WHITEOUT ON THE APPLICATION OR IT WILL BE REJECTED

Your application will be verified for eligibility and added to the waiting list based on the date and time the application was submitted.

# **Household Information:**

Complete the following information for each household member that will occupy the unit at time of move-in:

Name (Last, First, MI)	Relationship to Head of Household	Sex (M/F)	Birth Date (MMDDYYYY)	Full- time Student (Y/N)	Social Security Number
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Applicant's Current Address:					
Primary Phone Number:		Altern	ate Phone Numb	er:	
Will anyone else live in the uchildren in a joint custody arroof being adopted, or tempor	angement, childre	n away at	school, unborn c	hildren, chi	ldren in the process
Have you or any member of probation for any crime? □	•			•	-
Date:	State:	City:_	Cou	inty:	

Are any	Are any of the above convictions a felony?   Yes  No If YES, please explain					
			s of your household subject to a lifetime registration requirement under a state sex rogram?   Yes  No If YES, please explain			
Are the	ere any o	criminal (	charges pending now?			
Do you	ı curren	tly live in	subsidized housing?   Yes   No If YES, where?			
housin	g due to	o fraud,	se/co-applicant ever been evicted or otherwise involuntarily removed from rental non-payment of rent, lease violations, failure to cooperate with recertification other reason?   ☐ Yes ☐ No If YES, explain			
			are you currently filing for bankruptcy?   Date of filing:			
How di	id you h	ear abou	rt us?			
			pet:			
Emerg	ency Co	ntact: (0	Other than person listed on application in the immediate area:  Relationship:			
Home	Phone:		Cell Phone:			
List the	•		housing references (If additional space required, use a blank sheet of paper)			
	rd Addr					
Rental	Addres	S				
Own	Yes	No	Date Renting Started			
Rent	Yes	No	Date Renting Ended			
Landlo	rd Nam rd Addr Addres	ess				
Own	Yes	<b>s</b> No	Date Renting Started			
Rent	Yes	No	Date Renting Ended			

# **Income Information**

Earned income is counted only for household members 18 or older and members who are legally emancipated. Unearned income such as a grant or benefit is counted for all household members, including minors.

Include all **GROSS income** (before taxes) each household member expects to earn in the next 12 months. (Check either **YES or NO** to every question, failure to do so the application maybe rejected).

Do **YOU or ANYONE** in your household receive OR expect to receive income from:

Circle One	e	Type of Income	Name of Family Member	Source of Income	Gross Annual Income
Yes	No	Employment #1			\$
Yes	No	Employment #2			\$
Yes	No	Employment #3			\$
Yes	No	Self-Employed			\$
Yes	No	Social Security			\$
Yes	No	Social Security Disability			\$
Yes	No	Supplement Security Income (SSI)			\$
Yes	No	Veterans Benefit			\$
Yes	No	Pension/Annuity (Periodic Pymts)			\$
Yes	No	Retirement (401k, 403B etc)			\$
Yes	No	Disability			\$
Yes	No	Child Support (Court ordered)			\$
Yes	No	Military Compensation			\$
Yes	No	Unemployment Compensation			\$
Yes	No	Rental or Land Contract Income			\$
Yes	No	Other Income			\$
Yes	No	Lottery Winnings (Periodic Pymts)			\$
Yes	No	Worker's Compensation			\$
Yes	No	Severance Package payment			\$
Yes	No	Unemployed/Zero Income			\$
Yes	No	Anticipated Income			\$
Yes	No	Gifts of Money			\$
Yes	No	Bills paid by others			\$
Yes	No	Spousal Support (Alimony)			\$
Yes	No	Public Assistance/TANF			\$
Yes	No	Payments from Settlement			\$
Yes	No	Life Insurance Dividends			\$
Yes	No	Educational grants/scholarships			\$

# **Asset Information**

Include all assets and the corresponding annual interest rate, dividends or any other income derived from the asset. An asset is defined as any lump sum amount that you hold in your name and currently have access to. Include the value of the asset and corresponding income from the asset in the space provided.

# INCLUDE ALL ASSETS HELD BY ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS INCLUDING MINORS.

Circl	e		NAME OF INSTITUTION/BANK	CURRENT	INTEREST
One		TYPE of ASSET	(List Address if Not Local)	BALANCE	RATE
Yes	No	Checking Account #1		\$	%
Yes	No	Checking Account #2		\$	%
Yes	No	Checking Account #3		\$	%
Yes	No	Savings Account #1		\$	%
Yes	No	Savings Account #2		\$	%
Yes	No	Savings Account #3		\$	%
Yes	No	Certificate of Deposit		\$	%
Yes	No	Certificate of Deposit		\$	%
Yes	No	Certificate of Deposit		\$	%
Yes	No	Money Market Account		\$	%
Yes	No	Money Market Account		\$	%
Yes	No	Revocable Trust Fund		\$	%
Yes	No	Irrevocable Trust Fund		\$	%
Yes	No	Mutual Funds		\$	%
Yes	No	Pension/Annuity (Not paid out)		\$	%
Yes	No	IRA/Keough/401K		\$	%
Yes	No	Stocks/Bonds		\$	%
Yes	No	Real Estate		\$	%
Yes	No	Land Contract		\$	%
Yes	No	Personal Property/Investment		\$	%
Yes	No	Cash on hand of \$500 or more		\$	%
Yes	No	Safe Deposit Box (Past 2 years)		\$	%
Yes	No	Lump Sum Payments		\$	%
Yes	No	Disposed Assets (Past 2 years)		\$	%
Yes	No	Whole Life Insurance Policy		\$	%
Yes	No	Household Asset over \$5,000		\$	%

All questions that were answered YES on this application will be verified through the appropriate third-party source. It will be your responsibility to provide management with all necessary information to properly process your application and verify your eligibility. This will include names, addresses, phone and fax numbers, account numbers (where applicable), and any other information required to expedite this process.

# SIGNATURE CLAUSE

I understand that management is relying on this information to prove my household's eligibility for housing assisted under a program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). I certify that all information and answers to the questions are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I consent to release the necessary information to determine my eligibility. I understand that providing false information or making false statements may be grounds for denial of my application. I also understand that such action may result in criminal penalties.

I consent to have management verify the information contained in this application for purposes of proving my eligibility for occupancy. I will provide all necessary information and expedite this process in any way possible. I understand that my occupancy is contingent on meeting management's resident selection criteria and the HUD Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

I understand that in compliance with the FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT the processing of this application includes but is not limited to making any inquiries deemed necessary to verify the accuracy of the information I provided, including procuring consumer reports from consumer credit reporting agencies and obtaining credit information from other credit institutions.

I hereby grant this property owner and the Housing Authority of Merrill Wisconsin DBA Park Place and Westgate LLC and Jenny Towers the right to process this application for the purpose of obtaining a Rental/Lease Agreement with this property. Additionally, I authorize all corporations, companies, law enforcement agencies, academic institutions, and current and former employers to release information they may have about me and release them from any liability and responsibility from doing so. A photographic or faxed copy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original.

# All household members 18 and over must sign below:

Head of Household Applicant Signature	Date
Co-Head of Household Applicant Signature	Date
Adult Applicant Signature	Date
Adult Applicant Signature	Date

	For Office Use Only
Check here if Pre-Application is on file.	Application Date: Time: Desired Move-In Date: Application Received By: As Agent for Owner

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 Unable to contact you Termination of rental assistance Eviction from unit Late payment of rent	Assist with Recertification P Change in lease terms Change in house rules Other:			
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.				
<b>Confidentiality Statement:</b> The information provided on this for applicant or applicable law.	rm is confidential and will not be discl	osed to anyone except as permitted by the		
<b>Legal Notification:</b> 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 age discrimination under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975.				
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 public reporting burden is estimated at 15 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. Section 644 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13604) imposed on HUD the obligation to require housing providers participating in HUD's assisted housing programs to provide any individual or family applying for occupancy in HUD-assisted housing with the option to include in the application for occupancy the name, address, telephone number, and other relevant information of a family member, friend, or person associated with a social, health, advocacy, or similar organization. The objective of providing such information is to facilitate contact by the housing provider with the person or organization identified by the tenant to assist in providing any delivery of services or special care to the tenant and assist with resolving any tenancy issues arising during the tenancy of such tenant. This supplemental application information is to be maintained by the housing provider and maintained as confidential information. Providing the information is basic to the operations of the HUD Assisted-Housing Program and is voluntary. It supports statutory requirements and program and management controls that prevent fraud, waste and mismanagement. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**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.

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 he 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.

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-9887: Allows the release of information between government agencies.
- 3.Form HUD-9887-A: Describes the requirement of third party verification along with consumer protections.
- 4.Individual verification 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) and Urban Development
Office of Housing
Federal Housing Commissioner

U.S. Department of Housing

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

O/A requesting release of information (Owner should provide the full name and address of the Owner.):

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.):

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 above-named 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 Information to be Obtained:** 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.

Consent: I consent to allow HUD, the O/A, or the PHA to request and obtain income information from the federal and state agencies listed on the back of this form for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and level of benefits under HUD's assisted housing programs.

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
Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date	Other Family Members 18 and Over	Date

# **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

1065-K1 Partners Share of Income, Credits, Deductions, etc.

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, and
  - 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, and
  - 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)

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

### 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.

# Race and Ethnic Data Reporting Form

**Signature** 

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

OMB Approval No. 2502-0204 (Exp. 06/30/2017)

	Project No.	Address of Property	
Name of Owner/Managing A	gent	Type of Assistance or Program Title	
Name of Head of Household		Name of Household Membe	r
Date (mm/dd/yyyy):			
	Ethnic Categories*	Select One	
Hispanic or Lati	ino		
Not-Hispanic or	Latino		
Racial Categories*		Select All that Apply	
American India	n or Alaska Native		
Asian			
Black or African	n American		
Native Hawaiiai	n or Other Pacific Islander		
White			

**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.

Date

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

# **Social Security and SSI Administration Verifications**

The Social Security Administration office no longer allows us to verify your Federal Social Security or SSI.

# Therefore, you must provide us with a copy of your most recent Benefit Statement from them showing what your monthly benefit is for the current year.

If you do not have this Benefit Statement, you may contact them to request a Proof of Income letter. You may call them toll-free at 1-800-772-1213. When asked for the reason you are calling say "Benefit Statement", when asked again what you are requesting say "Proof of Income". From there follow their prompts to request this letter.

Instead, you may create a *my* Social Security account on their website, www.socialsecurity.gov, to view and print this information. However, to do so, you must be able to verify some information about yourself and:

- Have a valid E-mail address
- Have a Social Security number
- Have a U.S. mailing address, and
- Be at least 18 years of age.

Once you receive this information, please provide it to our office as soon as possible as we cannot continue your paperwork or renew your lease until we receive it. Thank you.



# **Landlord Reference**

Landlord Name:	Housing Authority of Merrill WI
Landlord Address:	701 E 1st Street Merrill, WI 54452 715-722-1081 Phone 715-539-5433 Fax
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Address of Apartment Rented:	Rental Period: From: to
Amount of current/previous rent \$ Ar	mount in arrears at this time \$
If this rental is current, do you receive a subsidy through the Rural Housi	ing 515 program or HUD Section 8 program? Yes No
Had/have you begun/completed eviction proceedings for non-payment?	Yes No
Rent payment history for the past year/prior years: Excellent	Good Fair Poor
Did the applicant ever provide you with false information?	No
Housekeeping: Does (did) the tenant keep the unit clean, safe & sanitary	? Yes No
What was the date of the last physical inspection of the apartment perform	rmed?
Did the tenant have problem(s) with insect/rodent infestation?	Yes No
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Type of tenant: Excellent Good Fair Poor W	ould you rent to the applicant again? Yes No
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