HCBS Rent Subsidy Program Overview

How can I get help with my rent?

If you answer yes to 1-4 below, you may qualify to apply for HCBS Rent Subsidy:

1. If you’re receiving residential-based services under one of the following programs or Medicaid waivers:
   * Money Follows the Person
   * Health & Disability
   * AIDS/HIV
   * Elderly
   * Intellectual Disability
   * Brain Injury
   * Physical Disability
   * Habilitation Services
2. If you’re paying more than 30% of your income for rent
3. If you’re on a waiting list for other local or federal rent assistance programs, such as Section 8, or if the waiting list is currently closed
4. If you’re not currently receiving any other rent assistance

How do I apply for HCBS Rent Subsidy?

* Complete an application found at IowaFinanceAuthority.gov
* Instructions for completing the application are also found on the web site
* Include the following with your application:
  + Income Verification
  + Proof that you have applied for a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher
  + Copy of a lease signed by the landlord a well as the tenant or legal guardian
  + Bank routing number and account number so funds can be directly deposited into your checking or savings account, or that of your payee

What do I need to do if I’m approved for HCBS rent assistance?

* Submit a renewal application every year – you will be notified by letter when it is due
* Include everything required for the first application when you submit the renewal
* Notify Iowa Finance Authority within 10 days when any of the information from the application changes, including if your income changes by more than $100/month.

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