HCBS Rent Subsidy Program Overview



Do I qualify to receive assistance with my rent?

If you answer "yes" to 1-4 below, you may qualify to apply for the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rent Subsidy Program:

- 1. If you are receiving residential-based services under one of the following programs or waivers:
 - Money Follows the Person
 - Habilitation
 - Physical Disability
 - Health and Disability
 - AIDS/HIV
 - Brain Injury
 - Intellectual Disability
 - Elderly
- 2. If you are paying more than 30% of your gross monthly income towards your rent
- 3. If you are currently on a waiting list for federal rent assistance programs, such as Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher, or the waiting list is currently closed
- 4. If you are not currently receiving any other type of rental assistance

How do I apply for the HCBS Rent Subsidy?

- Complete an application and send to lowa Finance authority for review. Applications can be found at www.iowafinance.com or by emailing hcbsifa@iowafinance.com.
- Detailed application instructions can be found at www.iowafinance.com.
- Include the following documents with your application:
 - Verification of gross monthly income
 - Copy of signed lease agreement
 - Verification of Section 8 waiting list status
 - o Documentation of Habilitation or MFP status, as applicable

What do I need to do if I'm approved for HCBS Rent Assistance?

- When notified, submit an updated application and supporting documentation as requested, including payment documentation for your landlord to receive the funds.
- Submit a renewal application at least once per year—you will receive a notification when this is due each year.
- Notify Iowa Finance Authority within 10 business days if any of your information from the application changes, or if you become eligible for a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher.

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