

Public Notice

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA), Division of Housing and Community Resources (DHCR) will be accepting State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP) pre-applications online at: www.WaitlistCheck.com/NJ559 for a statewide waiting list. Open enrollment for the SRAP pre-applications will be from **Monday, January 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. (EST) until Friday, January 31, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. (EST)**. Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age or older to apply or be an emancipated minor. **Please note that only New Jersey residents are eligible to apply for the SRAP assistance.**

An email address is necessary to apply. Web browsers like Google Chrome, Fire Fox, or Internet Explorer 10 or higher are recommended.

A total of 6,000 households will be selected through a computer-randomized lottery at the end of the pre-application period and will be placed on the State Rental Assistance Program waiting list; all applicants have the same opportunity for being selected during the lottery based on eligibility for preferences. DCA has adopted the following preferences for admission to the waiting list: Veterans, Homeless, Elderly, Disabled and Local Residents (below are the detailed definitions). Applicants who qualify for one or more preferences will have priority for selection for placement on the waiting list. United States Armed Forces Veterans, and their surviving spouses in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.) 5:40-2.5., have the highest priority. Individuals who claim to have a preference, must meet all eligibility criteria for the SRAP at the time of selection from the waiting list.

Definitions

Veteran Preference: A Veterans Preference is defined as United States Armed Forces Veterans discharged or released from active duty in the armed forces under honorable conditions are eligible for the veterans' preference. This means you must have been discharged under an honorable or general discharge. A surviving spouse of a United States Armed Forces Veteran, who died outside of services, is entitled to the same preference as the United States Armed Forces Veteran, up until he/she remarries.

Homeless Preference: A Homeless Preference is defined as individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness; at risk of experiencing homelessness; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or were recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability. For a complete definition of homeless see our Frequently Asked Questions and SEC. 103. [42 USC 11302].

Disabled Preference: A Disabled Preference is defined by (1) Documentation from the Social Security Administration that a member of the household is a disabled person who is receiving Social Security Disability or Supplemental Security Income benefits; or (2) Certification from a physician, on a Certification of Disability Form that a member of the household is a person with disabilities.

Elderly Preference: Elderly is defined as the Head of household who is 62 years of age or older.

Local and Residency Preference: Local and Residency preference is defined as a preference for admission of families that reside anywhere in a specified area, including families with a member who works or has been hired to work in the area (“residency preference area”) and to include the DCA’ s determination that for the purposes of selection, residency will be decided on a county-by-county basis. For DCA, the specified area is New Jersey.

If you are disabled and need assistance with submitting your State Rental Assistance Program pre-application, please contact DCA-DHCR at 609-292-4080 and select option 9 from the menu and request a reasonable accommodation during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., seven days a week, or email us at: customer.service@dca.nj.gov during the opening period.

To qualify for a State Rental Assistance Program pre-application, you must meet the below Income Limits. The Income Limits below represent the guidelines up to 8 household members. If you have a larger household, please contact DCA at 609-292-4080, select Option 9 for assistance in determining the maximum income limits for your household.

For more information on this upcoming opportunity go to <https://www.nj.gov/dca/>. If you have any questions, you can call 609-292-4080, option 9 during regular office hours from 8:00 a.m.to 8:00 p.m., seven days a week, or email us at: customer.service@dca.nj.gov.

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Individuals selected by the lottery will be notified via email which may take several weeks. You can also check your status on-line at www.waitlistcheck.com after February 14, 2025.



2024 State Rental Assistance Income Limit

County	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
Atlantic	27,450	31,375	35,300	40,100	44,765	49,405	54,045	58,710
Bergen	36,275	41,450	46,650	51,800	55,975	60,125	64,250	69,110
Burlington	32,125	36,725	41,325	45,875	49,575	54,255	59,245	64,235
Camden	32,125	36,725	41,325	45,875	49,575	54,255	59,245	64,235
Cape May	30,975	35,375	39,800	44,200	48,140	53,030	57,945	62,835
Cumberland	25,250	28,850	33,185	38,125	42,640	47,130	51,620	56,110
Essex	36,525	41,725	46,925	52,125	56,325	60,500	64,650	69,360
Gloucester	32,125	36,725	41,325	45,875	49,575	54,255	59,245	64,235
Hudson	37,500	42,850	48,200	53,525	57,850	62,125	66,400	70,675
Hunterdon	40,950	46,800	52,650	58,475	63,850	67,850	72,525	77,200
Mercer	35,275	40,300	45,350	50,350	54,400	58,425	62,720	67,910
Middlesex	40,950	46,800	52,650	58,475	63,175	67,850	72,525	77,200
Monmouth	36,600	41,825	47,050	52,250	56,450	60,625	64,825	69,460
Morris	36,525	41,725	46,925	52,125	56,325	60,500	64,650	69,360
Ocean	36,600	41,825	47,050	52,250	56,450	60,625	64,825	69,460
Passaic	36,275	41,450	46,650	51,800	55,975	60,125	64,250	69,110
Salem	32,125	36,725	41,325	45,875	49,575	54,255	59,245	64,235
Somerset	40,950	46,800	52,650	58,475	63,175	67,850	72,525	77,200
Sussex	36,525	41,725	46,925	52,125	56,325	60,500	64,650	69,360
Union	36,525	41,725	46,925	52,125	56,325	60,500	64,650	69,360
Warren	32,250	36,850	41,450	46,050	49,775	54,380	59,370	64,360