

Eligibility

To be eligible for Community Housing, Mixed Income Housing, Direct Rent Supplement and Private Landlord Rent Supplement Programs, households must meet certain criteria.

This is outlined in Section 9 of the *Social Housing Accommodation Regulation*.

Near Market Housing

Eligibility for Near Market is based on income only. To learn more, review the Information Sheet - Near Market Rentals at www.crhc.ca

Core Housing Need (Income Levels)

A household is eligible when their total annual income (before taxes) is below the Households Income Limits (HILS).

HILS is set by the Government of Alberta and refers to the number of bedrooms required by the household in a certain area.

Children over age of 5 cannot share a bedroom with someone of a different gender.

Asset Levels

The total value of the assets in a household must be less than \$25,000.

Exempted assets include:

- a household's primary vehicle
- RRSP's
- RESP's
- RDSP's
- RRIF's
- TFSA's
- clothing and tools for work purposes

Included assets include:

- money in regular bank accounts
- property owned such as a house or recreational vehicle

Citizenship Requirements

All members of a household must have one of the following citizenship statuses:

- Canadian citizenship
- Permanent Resident (except for those under a private sponsorship arrangement)
- Convention Refugee
- individuals who have applied for refugee or immigration status
- individuals whose private sponsorship has broken down

Residency Requirements

Capital Region Housing does not have a residency requirement.

Applicants do not have to live in the Edmonton area for a certain amount of time before applying for housing or rent supplement.

Who makes up my household?

A household is made up of individuals who are applying for or occupying social housing accommodation, including:

- the spouse of the applicant or occupant
- the adult dependent partner of the applicant or occupant
- an individual related by blood, adoption, marriage or adult dependent relationship
- dependents of an applicant or occupant, including dependents where custody is shared or joint
- a live-in aide
- a member of a household who is temporarily absent for the following reasons:
 - military service
 - hospitalization
 - employment
 - school attendance
 - other special circumstances

High Risk Offenders

Capital Region Housing does not require Police Information Checks for applicants.

All adult household members are checked against Alberta Justice and Solicitor General's High-Risk Offender List.

Household members who are on the list are not eligible for Community Housing or Mixed Income Housing, but can still apply for rent supplement programs.

Capital Region Housing is committed to ensuring safety and security in our housing.

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