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Things You Should Know

Don't risk your chances for Federally assisted housing by providing false, incomplete, or inaccurate information on your application forms.

Purpose	This is to inform you that there is certain information you must provide when applying for assisted housing. There are penalties that apply if you knowingly omit information or give false information.
Penalties for Committing Fraud	<p>The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) places a high priority on preventing fraud. If your application or recertification forms contain false or incomplete information, you may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evicted from your apartment or house;• Required to repay all overpaid rental assistance you received;• Fined up to \$ 10,000;• Imprisoned for up to 5 years; and/or• Prohibited from receiving future assistance. <p>Your State and local governments may have other laws and penalties as well.</p>
Asking Questions	When you meet with the person who is to fill out your application, you should know what is expected of you. If you do not understand something, ask for clarification. That person can answer your question or find out what the answer is.
Completing The Application	<p>When you answer application questions, you must include the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Income<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All sources of money you or any member of your household receive (wages, welfare payments, alimony, social security, pension, etc.);• Any money you receive on behalf of your children (child support, social security for children, etc.);• Income from assets (interest from a savings account, credit union, or certificate of deposit; dividends from stock, etc.);• Earnings from second job or part time job;• Any anticipated income (such as a bonus or pay raise you expect to receive)Assets<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All bank accounts, savings bonds, certificates of deposit, stocks, real estate, etc., that are owned by you and any adult member of your family's household who will be living with you.