Benefits for Public Housing Authorities

What Is HousingSearchRI.org?

- An online housing locator fully supported by a toll-free, bilingual call center
- One-stop shop for people in need of affordable housing and related resources: free to search and list
- Funded by Rhode Island Housing and powered by Emphasys Software
- Supported by the nonprofit Socialserve.com® Call Center: toll-free, bilingual assistance available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time

Why HousingSearchRI.org?

- **Vacancy listings management** for Section 8 / Housing Choice Voucher Program and project-based vacancies
- Easy-to-use **rent reasonableness tools**
- A comprehensive, centralized database of detailed housing listings that generates **local rental housing market data**

Increased Program Efficiency

- Manage, update and provide vacancy listings to voucher holders online
- Detailed listings, kept current by the system, increase the probability of quick lease-up
- Free training and support for housing authority staff, landlords and tenants

Better Service to Voucher Holders and Property Providers

- Housing counselors, individuals, and families can quickly locate housing to meet individual needs and voucher specifications
- Free listing and searching
- ADA compliant, multilingual website
- User-friendly listing tools
- Listings of private, income-based and Tax Credit properties make the service a great resource for waitlisted clients

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Linking people to communities

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Move Listings to HousingSearchRI.org in 3 Easy Steps

Step 1

Choose dates to phase out other listing methods, including a cut-off date to have all properties listed on this service.

Step 2

Input dates and other customized information into time-tested verbiage and place on your letterhead and mail to landlords with monthly checks.

For a **paperless option**, verbiage can be formatted into an eblast.

Step 3

Refer landlords and voucher holders to HousingSearchRI.org or to the toll-free call center to list and locate Housing Choice / Section 8 vacancies and other rental housing.

It is highly suggested to make this your sole listing service to keep all of your agency's housing data in one, comprehensive location.

HousingSearchRI.org produces detailed data exports to help you identify local rental housing supply and gaps. Some uses for this up-to-date information include **rent reasonableness** comparisons.

Make the switch today.