



Internal Moves – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Effective Immediately

Due to a potential **Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) funding shortfall**, our PHA must limit internal moves (transfers within our jurisdiction) to protect the program’s sustainability.

1. Can I still move to another unit within the same jurisdiction?

Only under certain conditions. Your move request will **only be approved** if:

-  The **payment standard** in the new zip code is **equal to or less than** the payment standard in your current zip code/unit.
AND
 -  The **HAP amount** (our portion of the rent) in the new unit is **less than** the HAP in your current unit.
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2. What is a “payment standard”?

A payment standard is the maximum amount our PHA will pay for rent and utilities in a specific zip code, based on your voucher size.

3. What is HAP?

HAP stands for **Housing Assistance Payment**—this is the portion of your rent paid by the Housing Authority directly to the landlord.

4. What happens if the payment standard or HAP increases in the new unit?

If **either the payment standard or the HAP increases**, your move request will be **denied** under the new policy.

5. Can I still move if I find a cheaper unit in a more expensive zip code?

No. **Both conditions** must be met:

- The zip code's payment standard must be **equal to or less than** your current one.
 - The HAP must be **lower** in the new unit.
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6. Why is the Housing Authority making this change?


This policy is a response to a potential **funding shortfall**. We must prioritize cost control in order to continue serving **as many families as possible**.

7. What if I already submitted a move request?

If your move request was **not approved before this policy took effect**, it will be subject to the **new guidelines**.

8. Who can I contact for more information?

Please contact **Client Services** for assistance:

 (404) 270-2500

Important:

Do **not** give notice to your current landlord or sign a new lease until your move request is **reviewed and approved** under this policy.
