

Augusta Housing Authority (AHA) Waitlist Lottery

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is a Waitlist Lottery?

A waitlist lottery is an automated system designed to systematically select a pool of potential participants. Subsequently, the system randomizes their order on the wait list after applying their preference selection. The lottery system will be used to select those approved for funding assistance.

This method allows The Housing Authority of the City of Augusta, Georgia to select applicants with the same priority from the waiting list in a random order rather than using the dates and times of submission. and can help us ensure that its selection practices comply with all applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements by ensuring an equal opportunity for similarly eligible applicants to be selected.

2. How many participants will be selected for the Section 8 Lottery Waiting List?

The automated system will randomly select a pool of 1,500 potential participants and randomize their order on the wait list after applying their preference selection.

3. Who can apply for the Section 8 Lottery Waiting List?

The waiting list will be open to all qualified applicants. However, applicants who qualify for a preference will receive a priority in the housing selection process.

4. What Preference Selections are available?

- a) Local residents living within 25 miles of Augusta, GA
- b) Paying more than 50% of family income for rent and utilities
- c) Homeless or living in substandard housing
- d) Involuntarily displaced because of government or other action.

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The Augusta Housing Authority will accept an applicant's claim that it qualifies for a preference upon certification by the applicant. Before selection for participation in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program the applicant must provide verification that he or she qualifies for a preference.

As funding is available, AHA will contact applicants for program eligibility determinations.

5. When will participants be selected?

Participants will be selected on January 16th, 2024.

6. How do I check my position on the Section 8 Lottery Waiting List?

Applicants can use the AppChecker – [Click HERE](#) or copy/paste the URL into a web browser

<https://augusta.myhousing.com/WebApp/LotteryChecker> to check current lottery position.

7. How do I know if my name was selected and placed on the Section 8 Lottery Waiting List?

- a. Once an applicant's name is at the top of the wait list, AHA will contact the applicant by mail only to complete additional information and attend a briefing.
- b. If you have registered for a MyHousing Account, check you account for the notification. To register/login to MyHousing, [Click HERE](#) or copy/paste the URL into a web browser
<https://augusta.myhousing.com/Account/Login>
- c. If you have a MyHousing account, an email will be sent to the address used to create the MyHousing account.