The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) encourages tenants to take advantage of the convenience of its online tools such as the website and tenant portal. In fact, HACoLA’s website contains an entire section dedicated to program participants and can be accessed by clicking, “For Section 8 Tenants.” Under this section you can find frequently asked questions and information regarding inspections, how to report income changes, and general information.

Also, HACoLA’s online tenant portal allows you to perform tasks such as submitting income and family composition changes without ever having to step into the office. Both of these online tools allow you to have 24/7 access to important forms and information regarding your rental assistance.

If you have yet to register, you may do so by going to www.hacola.org and select the “Section 8 Tenant Portal” under the “My Account” menu option. You will need your tenant identification number and the last four digits of your social security number. Be sure to use your preferred e-mail account to receive notifications.

It’s Time to Get Covered

If you or someone you know needs healthcare insurance, now is the time to sign up for quality affordable coverage. Open enrollment only happens once each year. This year’s open enrollment ends on January 31, 2016. Don’t miss your chance to get covered. How do you sign up for affordable health care?

- Online at www.HealthCare.gov or www.CuidadoDeSalud.gov where you can shop for coverage 24/7 anywhere you can access the internet.
- Call (800) 318-2596 (available 24/7, with translation assistance offered in 150 languages).
- In-Person with free local help in your community - www.LocalHelp.HealthCare.gov
- Mail in a paper application (available online or from Navigators and Assistors).

Upcoming Resident Workshops

Resident workshops are designed to explain how the Section 8 program works and provide information about new rules and regulations. To attend an upcoming session, please contact Ruby Miles at (626) 586-1604, or Ruby.Miles@hacola.org and reserve a space today!

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The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Invites You to Upcoming Workshops

**VITA TAX PREPARATION WORKSHOP**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2016**

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

You will learn about important topics including:
- Free tax services
- Low-income tax programs
- Saving programs

HACoLA-Main Office / Commission Room
700 W. Main Street, Alhambra, CA 91801

**PARENT-CHILD READING SKILLS WORKSHOP**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016**

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

You will learn about important topics including:
- The benefits of reading
- How frequently you should read to your child
- How to access your local public library

East Los Angeles Public Library
4837 E. 3rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90022

Spaces are limited, please RSVP by calling (626) 586-6044
Non-Discrimination Policy

Please take a moment to read HACoLA's Non-Discrimination Policy.

It is the policy of HACoLA to comply with the Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, 42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq., by ensuring that housing is available to all persons without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status (having children under age 18), or sex. This policy means that, among other things, HACoLA, and its agents or employees must not discriminate in any aspect of housing, including, but not limited to, denying persons access to housing, because of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, or sex. Such agents and employees may not:

a. Make unavailable or deny a dwelling to any person because of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, or sex;

b. Discriminate against any person in the terms, conditions, or privileges of a dwelling, or in the provision of services or facilities in connection therewith, because of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, or sex;

c. Make, print, or publish, or cause to be made, printed, or published any notice, statement, or advertisement, with respect to a dwelling that indicates any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, or sex, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination; or

d. Coerce, intimidate, threaten, or interfere with any person in the exercise or enjoyment of, or on account of his or her having exercised or enjoyed, or on account of his or her having aided or encouraged any other person in the exercise or enjoyment of, any right granted or protected by the Fair Housing Act.

Any agent or employee who fails to comply with this non-discrimination policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Any action taken by an agent or employee that results in the unequal treatment of citizens on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, or sex, may constitute a violation of state and federal fair housing laws. An individual who believes that he or she is the victim of discrimination may contact the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at (207) 945-0467, or the U.S. Department of Justice at (800) 896-7743.

Housing Authority Resident (HAR) Scholarship and SAT EXAM Preparation

The Los Angeles County Community Development Foundation (LACDF), HACoLA’s non-profit partner awards scholarships to qualified HACoLA residents on an annual basis. The application for the 2016 HAR Scholarships is now available at the Antelope Valley and Alhambra Section 8 Administrative offices, and online at www.lacdf.org. Applications are due Friday, April 29, 2016, by 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact LACDF at (626) 586-1899.

LACDF also offers free, in-person SAT exam preparation courses to participants of HACoLA programs attending high school and planning to apply for college. The application for the 2016 SAT Preparation Class is now available at the Antelope Valley and Alhambra Section 8 Administrative offices, and online at www.lacdf.org. Classes are held in the Long Beach and East Los Angeles areas. Applications are due Wednesday, February 17, 2016, by 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact LACDF at (626) 586-1899.

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