

## **News Release**

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## **Public Housing Applications Now Available Online**

The Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) at 8 a.m. today (July 20) launched an online property-specific (site-based) application for its Public Housing program. In addition to the convenience of accessing the public housing application from home or a smart phone, current and prospective public housing residents now also have the option to choose which public housing property, or properties, they want to apply for.

HACA operates 18 public housing properties throughout the Austin area, providing safe, healthy and affordable housing options to nearly 19,000 residents in need, including children, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

In the past, public housing applicants signed up on one centralized waiting list and, once determined eligible, were assigned to the first available public housing unit, regardless of location. Applicants may now complete a separate application for each individual property, allowing for more applicant choice. For more information about how to apply online for public housing, visit <a href="http://austin.apply4housing.com/">http://austin.apply4housing.com/</a> or call (844) 467-8513.

**About HACA:** The Housing Authority of the City of Austin is a public agency whose mission is to cultivate sustainable affordable housing communities and partnerships that inspire self reliance, growth and optimism. For more information, visit <a href="www.hacanet.org">www.hacanet.org</a>, or find us on Twitter <a href="mailto:@hacanet.">@hacanet</a>.

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