

Disaster Housing Assistance Program- Sandy Family Obligations Certification

A family receiving assistance under the Disaster Housing Assistance Program-Sandy (DHAP-Sandy) must comply with all of the family obligations during their participation in the program. If you are terminated from the DHAP for failing to comply with the family obligations, you may not return to any FEMA temporary housing option. The obligations of the family consist of the following.

Family Obligations

- 1) The family must supply any information to the PHA that HUD requires for DHAP- Sandy assistance. Any information supplied by the family must be true and complete.
- 2) The family may not commit any serious or repeated violation of the lease, such as damaging the unit or failing to pay their share of the rent in accordance with the lease.
- 3) During the term of the lease, the family must reside in the DHAP- Sandy unit. The family must not sublease, let, assign the lease or transfer the unit. The family must not own or have any interest in the unit.
- 4) The family must notify the PHA before the family moves out of the unit or terminates the lease. If the family terminates the lease on notice to the owner, the family must give the PHA a copy of the notice of termination at the same time. The family must promptly return to the PHA the full amount of any DHAP-Sandy utility or security deposit assistance provided to the family by the PHA.
- 5) The family must allow the PHA to inspect the unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice.
- 6) The family must promptly provide any information required by the PHA to determine and verify that the family is eligible for continued DHAP-Sandy assistance. All information supplied by the family must be true and complete. A family can be terminated from the program and not be eligible for continued assistance if the family's housing costs decreased or income increased and their rent is now within their financial ability to pay.
- 7) The family is responsible for paying the owner any portion of the lease rent that is not covered by the PHA rent subsidy payment. *(The amount of the differential rent to be contributed by the family will be determined in accordance with DHAP- Sandy requirements.)*
- 8) The members of the family must not commit fraud, bribery, or criminal act in connection with DHAP-Sandy.
- 9) The members of the family may not engage in drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity.
- 10) The members of the family may not engage in other criminal activity which may threaten the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents or persons residing in the immediate vicinity.
- 11) The members of the family may not engage in other criminal activity which may threaten the health, safety of the owner, property management staff, or persons performing a contract administrative function or responsibility on behalf of the PHA (including a PHA employee or a PHA contractor, subcontractor or agent).

- 12) The members of the family may not threaten or engage in abusive or violent behavior toward PHA personnel.
- 13) The FEMA designated family head of household must participate in the required disaster case management services provided by local Disaster Case Management Program providers.
- 14) The FEMA designated family head of household must show ongoing progress toward their realistic Permanent Housing Plan as reported to the PHA by the family and certified by the family's Disaster Case Manager.
- 15) A family may not receive the benefit of a duplicative subsidy while receiving DHAP-Sandy rental assistance.
- 16) For all pre-disaster HUD-assisted families: Upon notice from the PHA that your pre-disaster HUD-assisted unit or a comparable unit in the project is available for occupancy, the family may opt to return to the pre-disaster project with the understanding that the family's eligibility for DHAP-Sandy assistance will end as of the date by which the family has to return to the project. It should also be understood that if the family declines the opportunity to return to the project, the PHA or owner will lease the assisted unit to another family. Furthermore, the PHA must terminate the family's participation in DHAP in accordance with the section 4.r of the DHAP-Sandy Operating Requirements.
- 17) The family must comply with any additional requirements specified by HUD or FEMA.

(Print Name on the one that applies)

WARNING: Title 18, Section 1001 of the United States Code, states that it is unlawful to knowingly and willingly make false statements or misrepresentations to any department or agency of the United States.

I _____ have read and received a copy of the DHAP- Sandy family obligations and fully understand that the PHA may terminate DHAP- Sandy assistance for not complying with the family obligations.

I _____ refuse to comply with the DHAP- Sandy family obligations and fully understand that as a result of my refusal to comply with these requirements I am not eligible for participation in the DHAP- Sandy or any other FEMA housing program.

Head of Household Signature Date

Co-Head of Household Signature Date