

## ***SECTION 8 PROJECT-BASED VOUCHER PROGRAM***

### **Program Description**

The Section 8 Project-Based Voucher (PBV) program is a component of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCVP) program that provides long term –project-based affordable housing for very low and extremely low households. The SHA currently has eight-two (82) PBV units throughout the City.

### **How it works**

Unlike the HCVP, project-based subsidies are not mobile. The subsidy is tied to a specific unit for the term of a Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contract. Owners select families for occupancy of a particular unit after screening each family.

### **Who is eligible**

Very low or extremely low-income households or any eligible family that is interested in moving into a specific project are eligible. Some developments give preference in selection to households where one or more members have a special need or meet other additional selection criteria.

### **How do I apply?**

The Somerville Housing Authority has implemented site-based waiting lists for its Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Project Based (PBV) units. This means, you can apply directly to the Project(s), Families who applied directly will be referred by the PBV owner to the SHA and placed on the SHA-maintained PBV site-specific waiting lists. Families could also apply directly with the SHA.

Please double click on [PBA Application](#) for Project Based locations throughout Somerville and a copy of an application.