

# Multi Family Housing To Rent FAQ's

(Frequently Asked Questions)

## **Is ACCAP Section 8?**

No, ACCAP offers affordable housing options and accepts Section 8 and other funding vouchers but does not supply or administer these vouchers or PHA (Public Housing Authority) housing.

## **What is affordable housing?**

Affordable housing is housing that is below the market rent for the same size and type of units available through out Anoka County.

## **What is Market Rate?**

Market rate is the average amount that any Landlord may charge for a unit. Rent for units may be slightly higher or slightly lower and still be considered Market Rate.

## **Does ACCAP just have apartments?**

No, ACCAP has single-family homes (limited) and a variety of town homes throughout Anoka County in addition to Apartment buildings. [More Housing options](#) .

## **Can I see a unit before I apply?**

Applicants are [required](#) to do a walk-through of a unit prior to applying for housing. Vacancies are posted on the ACCAP website, [www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org), and are updated weekly. To see a unit and receive an application for housing, perspective tenants must contact the care taker of the unit they're interested in and tour it with the caretaker. Caretaker contact information is posted on this listing.

**How much is the application fee?** ACCAP does not charge a fee to apply for a rental unit.

## **What do you check on my application?**

ACCAP uses a screening company to check your credit, criminal and rental history. ACCAP will also contact your previous landlords for a rental reference.

## **I want to move in, but there is more paperwork. Why?**

In order to keep our units below the Market Rate Rents, ACCAP partners with different programs such as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program and the HOME Program. These programs require that you income qualify before you move in. You must re-certify each year that you reside in a Tax Credit Property or HOME Program funded unit.

## **I have a family member that needs barrier free housing. Is there housing for us?**

ACCAP has a number of units that are barrier free (one level with some adaptations) to serve families that need barrier free units.

## **What is Grasslands? Can I live there?**

Grasslands is a HUD Section 202 building. This means in order to live at Grasslands you must be elderly (62+) or disabled and considered extremely low income. Grasslands has 24 units that are completely accessible, roll up stoves, sinks and bathrooms that serve people needing barrier free housing. This building is subsidized and there is a waiting list maintained for this building. The current average waiting list time is roughly one year. Grasslands does not have a high rate of move outs. It does not cost anything to apply for the waiting list at Grasslands.

## **Where can I find more information on other affordable housing or shelters?**

More information regarding affordable housing and shelters by calling the United Way Housing Link by dialing 2-1-1 from any phone.