Subsidized Housing Guide
INFORMATION PROVIDED IS FOR SENIORS OR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS SEEKING APARTMENTS THAT HAVE PROGRAMS TO LOWER THE COST OF RENT.

CATEGORIES ENCLOSED INCLUDE:

**SUBSIDIZED HOUSING** ... generally for persons with income between $0 - $1804 per month. Rent is based on about 1/3 of a person’s income and is adjusted by some expenses.

Reading Housing Authority, Berks County Housing Authority
Private Sponsored Housing...Countywide and City

**HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS**.... formerly Section 8
Vouchers can be used in Tax Credit Housing or approved private apartments.

**LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**
For persons who can afford rents in the $350-$500 range, but with income less than $21,650.00.

Location of Senior Housing
Outside The City of Reading

**SUBSIDIZED HOUSING-FEDERALLY FINANCED**

Subsidized housing is designed to assist low-income families and/or single individuals, age 50 or older, or person with disabilities.

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**READING HOUSING AUTHORITY**
There are no limits as to who may apply, but individuals and families who live, work or go to school in the City of Reading have preference.

Jack Knockstead, Resident Services Department
Leonilda Feliciano, Tenant Selection Supervisor
www.readingha.org
Samuel Hubert Apartments
125 North Tenth Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-376-2422 or 610-372-3933 or 610-376-0814
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.; Wed., 8:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

There are developments for persons that are elderly, near-elderly (age 50-59) or disabled. There are two developments for individuals and families.

There are 1,600 PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS plus a variety of SPECIALLY EQUIPPED UNITS. Waiting periods vary to great degree depending upon individual applicant issues and availability of vacant apartments.
Reading Housing Authority has a Resident Services Department. Through direct assistance and collaborations with local organizations and resident associations, the department seeks to support residents in self-sufficiency, lease compliance and over-all wellbeing.
Reading Housing Authority’s Kennedy Towers is host to Kennedy Senior Neighborhood Center. The Center is provided through funding from the Berks County Area Agency on Aging and operated by Centro Hispano Daniel Torres.

Reading Housing Authority sponsors additional activities through the year. Many activities are coordinated through each development's resident council.

There is no transportation service. Each development is adjacent to a fixed-route BARTA bus stop. Pets are permitted in each high-rise and in Hensler Homes in accordance with the Reading Housing Authority Pet Policy. All developments offer safe wheelchair accessible housing.

Highrise Developments (for the elderly, near-elderly and person with disabilities):
Dwight D. Eisenhower Apartments, 835 Franklin Street, Reading
Franklin Tower, 120 S. Sixth Street, Reading
George M. Rhodes Apartments, 815 Franklin Street, Reading
Glenside Homes, 1301 Schuylkill Avenue, Reading (includes individuals and families)
Kennedy Towers, 300 S. 4th Street, Reading
Samuel G. Hubert Apartments, 125 N. Tenth Street, Reading
Oakbrook Homes, 1001 Scott Street, Reading (includes individuals and families)
Hensler Homes, 1301 Schuylkill Avenue, Reading

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BERKS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (City or County residents can apply)

Tanya Nelson, Executive Director
Linda Drabinsky, Tenant Selection Supervisor
1803 Butter Lane
Reading, PA 19606
Tel: 610-370-0822

Hours: Mon thru Fri 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

County subsidized housing is available for those individuals 62 years of age and over; also persons who are handicapped or disabled at any age. 151 UNITS, 13 SPECIAL NEEDS UNITS There is approximately a six-month to 2 years waiting period depending on the facility. Pets are allowed in all complexes except Tarsus Manor in Fleetwood. Transportation is not provided, and there are no Social Coordinators or Activity Directors.

Developments:
Chestnut Court Apartments, 226 Chestnut Street, Birdsboro
Laurel Court Apartments, 1 Laurel Court, Fleetwood
Northvale Hill Apartments, 201 N. Fourth Street, Womelsdorf
Rittenhouse Apartments, 38-40 W. Philadelphia Avenue, Boyertown
Tarsus Manor, 701 E. Locust Street, Fleetwood
Warwick Apartments, 60 S. Reading Ave, Boyertown

SUBSIDIZED HOUSING-PRIVATELY SPONSORED
*Some apartments have units available for higher income persons*

**AMITY MANOR APARTMENTS**
Pam Onyx, Manager  
1131 Ben Franklin Highway West  
Douglassville, PA 19518  
Tel: 610-385-4622  
Fax: 610-385-4472

- 36 units, 2 special needs units  
- 6-12 month wait list  
- Service Coordinator  
- A van is available twice monthly for pre-scheduled trips.  
- Pets are allowed  
- One-bedrooms, 62 or older or disabled

**B’NAI B’RITH HOUSE OF READING, INC**
Lee Melber, Manager  
1026 Franklin Street  
Reading, PA 19602  
Tel: 610-374-4453

- 170 units, 17 are special needs units  
- The waiting period varies from 1-6 months  
- Service Coordinator and Activities  
- Transportation is provided via a mini-bus which provides scheduled trips to grocery stores, malls, and banks  
- Pets are allowed  
- Accepts SSI, if under 62

**FURNACE CREEK MANOR**
Kevin Kurtz, Manager  
270 S. Freeman Street  
Robesonia, PA 19551  
Tel: 610-693-3419

- 24-unit  
- Waiting List  
- 62 or older, available to disabled/handicapped

**HUGH CARCELLA APARTMENTS ***
Amy Rodriguez, Manager  
505 North 10th Street  
Reading, PA 19604  
Tel: 610-372-1733

- 120 Units, 12 special needs units  
- Assistance for resident organizations  
- A small pet is allowed ($200 deposit)  
- 62 and over, 18 & over with disability  
- One bedroom or studio, waiting list

**JAMESTOWN VILLAGE**
Jeff Kapp, Regional Manager (Ext. 205)  
Wendy Smaller, Site Manager  
300 Lackawanna Street, Apt. 1R  
Reading, PA. 19601  
Tel: 610-374-8116  
Fax: 610-374-6261

- 275 Units - One and two bedrooms  
- No age requirements  
- Waiting list - unless medically necessary

**LUTHER MEADOWS AND HEILMAN HOUSE**
Karen S. Lewis, Manager  
1 South Home Avenue  
Topton, PA 19562  
Tel: 610-682-1533  
Fax: 610-682-1581

- 100 units, 5 special needs units  
- 2 yr wait period  
- Activities. Transportation for fee  
- Pets are allowed

**QUEEN OF ANGELS APARTMENTS**
Valerie Phelps, Manager  
22 Rothermel Street  
Reading, PA. 19604  
Tel: 610-372-1733

- 45 units, 5 special needs units  
- Hearing Impaired Unit  
- Service Coordinator, Activities
Reading, PA 19604  
Tel: 610-921-3115  
Fax: 610-921-8576  

Laundry on site  
Small pets are allowed – up to 25 lbs.  
Studio/Efficiency – One bedroom  
62 yrs or older, Disabled/Handicapped  
4-5 years wait list  

READING ELDERLY HOUSING *  
Lucretia Lee, Site Manager  
100 N. Front Street  
Reading, PA 19601  
Tel: 610-373-1130  
Fax: 610-373-2902  

201 units, 15 special needs units  
6-8 months wait for 1 bedroom  
1+yr wait for 2 bedrooms  
Social Coordinator, Activities  
Pets are allowed  

SAINT CATHARINE SENIOR APARTMENTS  
Christina Meredith, Manager  
2000 Perkiomen Avenue  
Reading, PA 19606  
Tel: 610-743-5374  
Fax: 610-743-5418  

35 units, 4 special needs units  
Hearing impaired unit  
62 and over  
1 Bedroom  
Resident-run activities  
Service Coordinator once a week  
Laundry on site  
Small pets under 25 lbs. are welcome  
Parking on site  
1-2 year wait for 1 bedroom  

SAUCONY CROSS APARTMENTS *  
Todd Graham, Manager  
420 College Blvd.  
Kutztown, PA 19530  
Tel: 610-683-5966  
Fax: 610-683-8181  

80 units, 6 special needs units  
24 month wait list  
Service Coordinator twice a week  
Resident run activities, Transportation  
One cat or dog, under 25 lbs.  
One bedroom only  

SAUCONY MEADOWS*  
David Groscup, Manager  
20 Kohler Road  
Kutztown, PA 19530  
Tel: 610-894-9874  

50 units, 4 special needs units  
1-2 year waiting period  
Service Coordinator  
Resident directed activities  
Transportation is provided  
Pets are allowed-under 25 lbs.  
One bedroom  
62 and over  

SENCIT TOWNE HOUSE *  
Tanis Ritchie, Manager  
20 S. Summit Avenue  
Reading, PA 19607  
Tel: 610-777-6519  
Fax: 610-777-3579  

200 units, 10 special needs units  
2 yr wait period  
Service Coordinator, Activities  
Transportation  
Pets are allowed  
62 and over, disabled- any age  
One bedroom  

SKYLINE VIEW APARTMENTS*  
(Formerly EPISCOPAL HOUSE OF READING)  

140 units, no special needs units  
No waiting period at present.  

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Ana Ruiz, Manager
50 North Ninth Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-376-6535

Transportation is not provided.
Pets are allowed.
One bedroom
62 and over

THE BOOKBINDERY APARTMENTS
Amanda Boston, Manager
150 N. 4th Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-478-8298
Fax: 610-478-0568

1 bedroom $ – 3-6 mos. wait list
2 bedroom $ – 6 mos. – 1 yr wait
3 bedroom $ – over 1 yr wait list
Income - $22,600 - $29,050
Off-street parking, central air, on site laundry, no pets

THE KNITTING MILL ON PEACH ALLEY
Kathy Tavares, Manager
239 Pine Street @ Peach Alley
Hamburg, PA 19526
Tel: 610-562-9161
Fax: 610-562-9162

27 units
1 bedroom $
2 bedrooms $
3 bedrooms $

WILSON MANOR *
Julie A. Lucarelli, Manager
10 Kohler Road
Kutztown, PA 19530
Tel: 610-894-9510

50 units, 3 special needs units
1 hearing impaired unit
1 yr wait period
Social Coordinator
Transportation. Pets allowed
62 and over

WYNDCLIFFE HOUSE APARTMENTS *
Lynda Zuercher, Manager
100 Chestnut Street
Hamburg, PA 19526
Tel: 610-562-4902/4414

99 units, 10 special needs units
1 yr waiting list
1st fl. waiting period longer
Bingo, and other activities
Transportation. Pets allowed

SUBSIDIZED HOUSING-HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS

Private living arrangement, tenants can rent anywhere when a voucher is obtained from the sponsor as long as the landlord is willing to participate in the program, and the property and rental costs meet certain requirements.
Sponsors: Reading Housing Authority and Berks County Housing Authority.

A HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER, obtained at the Reading Housing Authority, will be accepted at many private apartment units in the city of Reading. The waiting list for vouchers is often closed. Call the Reading Housing Authority Tenant Placement Office for more information, or check the website for more information.

HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM is designed to assist low-income families and/or single persons. The tenant’s share of rent, at initial lease-up, will be 30-40% of their adjusted annual income towards the rent and utilities. Income includes Social Security, pensions, interest, etc.
The housing assistance payment to the owner is the difference between the family’s share and the contracted rent for the units.

**BERKS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY**
Sandra Miller-Section 8 Coordinator
1803 Butter Lane
Reading, PA 19606
610-370-0822

Private living arrangement applicants may rent anywhere within each Housing Authority jurisdiction that issues a certificate/voucher. The Housing Authority of Berks County jurisdiction is that area outside the city of Reading boundaries, and within the boundaries of Berks County.

**HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS PROGRAM** is designed to assist low-income families and/or single persons, age 62 or older, and any age handicapped or displaced individuals.

The tenant share of the rent is 30%-40% of the tenant’s gross annual adjusted income. This includes Social Security, pensions, interest, etc.

The housing assistance payment to the owner is the difference between the family’s share and the contracted rent for the units.

The following apartment complexes within the jurisdiction of the Housing Authority of Berks County do accept the Housing Assistance payment program. Other privately owned apartments may be approved for vouchers with landlord participation. Apartments accepting vouchers are listed under Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program.

**AMITY MANOR APARTMENTS** *
Pamela Onyx, Manager
1131 Ben Franklin Hwy. West
Douglassville, PA 19518
Tel: 610-385-4622

36 units, 2 special needs units
6-12 month wait list
Social Coordinator available
Resident driven Activities
Handicapped/Disabled
Pets allowed

**BIRDSBORO ESTATES** *
Kathy Kneisley, Manager
201 Mainbird Street
Birdsboro, PA 19508
Tel: 610-582-1548

36 units, 2 special needs units
1-11/2 yr wait for one bedroom
3-6 mos. wait for two bedrooms

**CLEARVIEW APARTMENTS** *
Roseanne Tust, Manager
305 Hilltop Court
Hamburg, PA 19526

37 units, 3 special needs units
6 months-2 yr wait
Companion animals and service animals allowed
Tel: 610-562-7442

FRANKLIN & NOBLE MANOR *
James Beebe, Manager
43 E. Noble Avenue
Shoemakersville, PA 19555
Tel: 610-562-9691

18 units, 1 special needs unit
2 yr wait list
Resident driven Activities
Pets less than 25 lbs.

Weidner Manor
Kay Wilkinson, Manager
1133 Benjamin Franklin Highway West
Douglassville, PA 19518
Tel: 610-385-1070

24 units
62 years or older, disabled/handicapped eligible

* Wheelchair accessible

LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

The following buildings are not subsidized. Rents are fixed, but reduced from market rates by the low-income housing tax credit program. All tax credit properties have maximum income restrictions. Some properties may have other types of units available also. They do accept Housing Choice Vouchers.

CENTURY HALL APARTMENTS
831 Walnut Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-373-1212

15 units, 3 1-BR, 12 2-BR
General occupancy building

FRANKLIN & NOBLE MANOR *
James Beebe, Manager
43 East Noble Avenue
Shoemakersville, PA 19555
Tel: 610-562-9691

18 units, 1 special needs unit
2 yr. wait list
Resident driven activities
Pets less than 25 lbs.

HAMBURG APARTMENTS
William Street
Hamburg, PA 19526
Tel: 215-855-8700

26 units, 51 1-BR, 2 2-BR

* Wheelchair accessible

HENNER APARTMENTS
Susan Grim, Regional Manager
24 E. High Street

27 units
One bedroom
Handicap-accessible building
Womelsdorf, PA  19567                  Wait list 6 month to 1 year
Tel: 610-589-2052    Tax credit & subsidized property
Fax: 610-589-2327    (Rent based on income)

JOHN F. LUTZ APARTMENTS *
Kay Wilkinson, Manager
3559 St. Lawrence Avenue
St. Lawrence, PA 19606
Tel: 610-779-8101
Fax: 610-779-2259

MARKET SQUARE APARTMENTS *
Susan Grim, Regional Manager
801 Penn Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-373-1212
Fax: 610-373-1166

OAKSHIRE SENIOR APARTMENTS *
James Matheny, Property Manager
350 Lackawanna Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-376-1716
Fax: 610-376-7871

PENN'S COMMON COURT APARTMENTS *
Susan Grim, Regional Manager
1040 Penn Street
Reading, PA 19602
Tel: 610-373-3633

PENN'S CROSSING SENIOR APARTMENTS *
Veronica Wiley, Manager
1400 W. Wyomissing Blvd.
West Lawn, PA 19609
Tel: 610-775-9220

PROVIDENCE HOUSE *
Sharon Heckman, Manager
800 Court Street
Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-376-7787

* Wheelchair accessible
SENIOR APARTMENTS AT WYOMISSING CLUB
Kay Wilkinson, Manager
501 Walnut Street
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Reading, PA 19601
Tel: 610-927-8000

SOUTHGATE APARTMENT *
Susan Grim, Manager
815 W. Leesport Road
Leesport, PA 19533
Tel: 610-916-2943
Fax: 610-916-2946

45 units, 3 special needs units
Wait list 2-3 yrs
Small pets are allowed
One or two bedrooms
62 and over

INGLIS COTTAGES AT BERKS COUNTY
Contact: Paris Nesbitt
Tel: 215-581-0712

10 units, 10 3-BR

TARSUS MANOR, INC.*
Andres Toro, Manager
701 East Locust Street
Fleetwood, PA 19522
Tel: 610-370-0822 ext. 212
Fax: 610-370-2766

33 units, 2 special needs units
2 yr wait
One bedroom
62 and over

WEIDNER MANOR APARTMENTS
Kay Wilkinson, Manager
1133 Ben Franklin Highway West
Douglassville, PA 19518
Tel: 610-385-1070

* Wheelchair accessible