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FINDING A RENTAL UNIT

You will search for a rental unit within Warren County.

If you are interested in portability (transferring), ask the Housing Authority staff for procedures.

The rental unit you select must:

1. Pass a Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection.
2. Be rent reasonable (RR), as compared with similar units in the same area.
3. Match the subsidy standard (bedroom size) listed on your Housing Choice Voucher.

The Housing Authority will determine if the unit meets HQS and RR

In deciding whether to lease a unit, the family should consider:

1. The condition of the unit.
2. Whether the rent is reasonable.
3. The cost of any tenant paid utilities and whether the unit is energy efficient.
4. The location of the unit.

If the family includes a disabled person, the family may request a current listing of accessible units known to the HA that may be available.

IT IS UP TO THE OWNER TO REQUEST REFERENCES AND UP TO THE VOUCHER HOLDER TO SUPPLY THE REFERENCES.

*******THE HOUSING AUTHORITY WILL INFORM OWNERS OF THE VOUCHER HOLDER'S CURRENT ADDRESS AND CURRENT AND PRIOR OWNERS' NAMES*******

Where to look for a rental unit:

1. Record-Herald Indianola Tribune & the Extra (Indianola)
2. North Warren Town & County news (Norwalk)
3. Carlisle Citizen (Carlisle)
4. Des Moines Register
5. Billboard/bulletin boards
6. Friends
7. Realtors

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU READ AND UNDERSTAND FINDING A RENTAL UNIT. FAILURE TO ASK QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS DOCUMENT INDICATES YOU UNDERSTAND.